

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council, which took place on Monday 9 September 2013 at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Cllrs Rowswell (Chair), Bishop, Cripps, England, Hallett, Lillywhite, Wakely, Willoughby, Messrs P Thompson & B Walker (District Councillors), C LeHardy (County Councillor) and 3 parishioners.

CO-OPTION TO FILL VACANCY

There were two very worthy candidates for the vacancy, a vote was taken and Innis Finlay was co-opted onto the Council.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pete Sanderson, Vice Chair of the Recreation Committee, spoke about the grass cutting at the Recreation Field which for a number of years had been carried out by the County Council for the School's use. This is no longer the case and the Committee wondered if, as this is a village facility, the Parish Council would fund future grass cutting. He will bring quotes to the next meeting and the Parish Council will give the matter their consideration.

MINUTES The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING

Highways Some pothole patching had taken place but Cllr Rowswell had reported that the job had not been done well.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

DC REPORT

Mr Thompson said the next Area North Meeting would take place at Chilthorne Domer on 25 September.

Mr Walker advised that the Inspector had not approved the Local Plan so a further plan has been submitted.

CC REPORT

Mr LeHardy spoke of the County Plan Consultation involving 20 roadshows.

The Love Lane silt trap will be installed in October or November.

White lining in Upper Silver Street and pothole work had been carried out.

Colin Fletcher is to look into the possibility of a 20 mph speed limit near the School.

Cllr England said the drains from Washcross Lane to Washcross had not been cleaned out.

PLANNING

Permission has been granted for the following:

Erection of extension to agricultural general purpose store and livestock building.

Erection of single dwelling on land at Highfield, Lambrook Road.

Demolition of redundant farm buildings, change of use and erection of dwelling adjacent to Hillside Farm, Shells Lane.

PARISH PLAN

The long grass areas at Cowleaze have been cut and seedbeds will be prepared for wild flowers.

The recent Shepfest at the Recreation Field was enjoyable, but did not raise much money.

Cllr Willoughby will ask if plans are in hand to fence the play area.

The next event will be the Bonfire and Fireworks on 2 November.

LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Cripps said an increase in the Lengthsman's salary from £13 - £15 per hour had been suggested and there were no objections to this as long as his contract does not specify otherwise.

Mr Thompson said the District Council has equipment for sweeping pavements and they would train the Lengthsman to use it.

HIGHWAYS

Cllr Rowswell will report that the silt trap needs emptying.

FOOTPATHS

The County Council have carried out their final footpath cut of the year.

ALLOTMENTS

Allotment Rent will be collected on the evening of the next Parish Council Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.