

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council, which took place on Monday 14 March 2016 at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Cllrs Bishop (Chair), Brunt, Cripps, England, Finlay, Holmes, Lillywhite, Tevendale, Wakely, Messrs A Dance (District Councillor), C Le Hardy (County Councillor), Jo Fryer (Planning Agent) and 8 parishioners.

APOLOGIES Mr C Raikes (District Councillor), PCSO Ceara Sturt.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jo Fryer, Planning Agent, spoke about an application for a single one and a half storey dwelling on land north of Brimfield, using an existing access onto Brimgrove.

Objections were raised from four households in Brimgrove on the grounds of extra traffic, effect on property values, poor visibility at junction with Lambrook Road and loss of privacy.

A resident of Brimgrove asked the Parish Council to consider looking into a traffic calming scheme in Lambrook Road.

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

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### DC REPORT

The next full Council meeting will take place on 17 March.

With effect from April 2016, the charge for collection of garden waste from green wheelie bins will be £50 for a 12 months subscription or £95 for a 24 months subscription. As an alternative to bins, garden sacks can be purchased at a cost of £26 for 10 sacks.

#### CC REPORT

The County Councillor's Report had been circulated and he spoke of the County Plan, which is a long term vision for Somerset linking into devolution.

The County Councillor will enquire about a sign to indicate where the 20 mph speed limit ends near the School, arrange for the drainage work on Shepton Hill to be inspected, request a Speed Indicator Device near the Brimgrove entrance and report various drainage and pothole problems.

#### PLANNING

The application to erect a dwelling on land north of Brimfield was discussed and the majority of the Parish Council voted in favour of supporting the application (7 in favour, 2 abstentions) provided the Highway Authority have no objections. A condition removing permissive development rights on the field was proposed, with 4 Councillors in favour of this, 3 against and 2 abstentions.

ACCOUNTS

Cheques were drawn for:

South Som District Council – Parish Ranger	£150.96
D Clarke – Clerk’s Salary	1,816.00
HM Revenue & Customs – PAYE	454.00
D Clarke – Clerk’s expenses	188.12

PARISH PLAN

The Events Team plans to celebrate the Queen’s 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in June at Cowleaze.

HIGHWAYS

Cllr Wakely wondered if yellow lines at pinch points in the village would help traffic flow.

FOOTPATHS

Cllr England said a strand of wire had been cut at Cowleaze.

ALLOTMENTS

Quotes had been received for erecting a fence and gate across the bottom of the Allotments and Adam Dance will ask if the District Council would consider paying half of the cost.

Cllr Finlay said the Recreation Committee had agreed, in principle, to a parking area on the Recreation Field and they will consider the best location and size.

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

