

Minutes of a meeting of the Fivehead Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Stowey Road Fivehead on Monday 4th August 2008 at 8pm.

Present Mrs H Clarke (in the Chair) Mrs K Beacham Mrs N Cameron Mr M Cavill Mr R Fielding Mr K Male C. Cllr. D Nelson Mrs M Knox Clerk) and one member of the public.

1427. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mr G Balmer. Declaration of interest was received from Mr R Fielding for item 3b & 7 (mins. 1429b & 1433).

1428. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th July 2008 having been circulated were taken as a true record of what took place and duly signed by the Chairman.

1433. PLANNING (brought forward)

08/02853/ful Moortown Cottages Moortown Lane Curry Rivel. Alterations and the erection of a two storey extension to side. (GR337655/123536). The member of the public was available to answer any questions relating to this application. KM arrived during this item. Council fully supported the application.

1429. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND RAISED BY MEMBERS.

- a) Proposed Full MUGA. There was no new information to report.
- b) Stillbrook Woodyard Public Enquiry. (see item7). RF left the meeting. It was agreed Council should send a further representation, MC & HC to liaise and consult SS before producing it. Clerk to copy and send in the original representation with the new which, if approved, could include concerns that this development might effect the finances of the Fivehead Cemetery. RF rejoined the meeting.
- c) Provision of Broadband for Clerk. MC joined the meeting. In November 2005 (see min 1047) £150 per annum had been authorised to provide this facility. NC provided printouts of her research. The Clerk thanked her for her work. Clerk authorised to make the final choice and action.
- d) "Local Initiatives Budget". To identify a project/s to put forward to bid for funds held by C. Cllr. DN (min 1420b). DN said he already has identified a couple of firm projects he hopes to support financially. The land purchase scheme would have been Council's first choice but it was unrealistic to imagine this could be completed by the end of November, a condition of the funding. As a second choice replacing the tennis court fence was proposed as several councillors have been approached by people who wish to play tennis. As the MUGA project is likely to take a couple of years to complete the court could be used during that time if a fence were erected. DN said the first thing was to talk to the Lawn Tennis Association. and Sport England for possible grants. KM asked that a letter be sent to the PFMC proposing the fence be reinstated. This project could then be put to DN as a contender for the available funding. DN commented that Fivehead already has good existing facilities in comparison with some of his parishes.
- e) Big Tidy Up Event. The papers for this were not available. DN said the DC currently has funding for projects relating to cleaning and tidying the environment. Clerk to investigate.

1430. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- a) From Mr M Pettitt re confirmation of current insurance cover. Noted.
- b) From SCC re request for inclusion in newsletter of article on New Waste Strategy for Somerset. (min1322). Approved if it is short item.
- c) From Huish Episcopi School re submission of issues which Council consider need addressing. There were none forthcoming.
- d) From Fivehead Village Hall MC re i) The strong support for the possible purchase of land adjacent to the Playing Field. re ii) Receipt of and thanks for PC's grant cheque which is to be used for paying the interest and reducing the loan from the Charity Bank.
- e) From SALC re cancellation of training on 3rd Sept. (see min. 1420a) and notification of AGM at Woolavington on Sat. 27th Sept. Noted.

1431. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS. response sought.

South Somerset Together’s draft Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation. (GB had responded min1272).Clerk to check with GB that no further action is needed.

1432. REPORTS.

a) Playing Field KM reported. d) Cemetery Sub Committee Clerk mentioned crack in circular wall at cemetery. It was thought this could be beneficial. New tarmac outside main gate is very satisfactory. Book to HC. f) Rights of Way MC has received notification and a map of the cutting schedule. Two parishioners are going to inform the Clerk which of the more distant footpaths are in need of vegetation clearance.

1433. PLANNING.

Advice of Forthcoming Public Enquiry. APP/R3325/A/08/2080152 in respect of Stillbrook Wood Yard 07/05377/COU. Time and place not yet set. Invitation to submit a representation. Dealt with under 1429b. Notification of cancellation of Appeal in respect of Stillbrook Wood Yard on 19th August ref APP/R3325/C/07/2062622.

Applications:-08/2857/ful The Manse Silver Street Fivehead. Demolition of existing garage and existing extension and the erection of a two storey extension to include an integral garage. No objections.

08/02853/ful Moortown Cottages Moortown Lane Curry Rivell. Alterations and the erection of a two storey extension to side. (GR337655/123536). Dealt with following min 1428.

Refused: 07/05377/COU Land Os 2847 Part Isle Abbots Road Fivehead. Change of use of land from paddock to gypsy site for 4 no pitches. GR(335271/122354).

1434 FINANCE

The financial position of the Council and the interim statement were received.

a) Payments authorised during the previous month

i) Fivehead Village Hall MC	rent June	£11
ii) WM Direct	nl printing June	£54
iii) A & M Garden Services	maint. May & June	£464.28
b) Payments authorised at the meeting:		
iv) Mrs M Knox	salary	£182.62
v) Mrs M Knox	expenses	£1.76
vi) Moore Stephens	audit fee	£158.62
c) Income received during the month		
vii) MJ Cavill	nl advert	£4
viii) A K Hewitt	nl advert	£30

1435. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

a) Chairman. Asked that Crime be on the next agenda in light of the current spate of crime and concern that the police are doing little to address it.

b) Clerk. The interest rate on PC’s deposit account has become unacceptably low. To research alternative accounts prior to the next meeting. Summer Gliding Camp at Merryfield 9th-17th August. Councillors reminded to submit receipts for reimbursements due. MC took a disc detailing the changes made to the Regional Spatial Strategy to see if he considered Council needed to pass comment.

c) Councillors. DN asked if Council was aware of the request from District for recording of land for potential housing use. Local purchasers of low cost housing are sought for the Curry Mallet housing project at the Lyddon Farm development..

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50pm

Chairman

Dated