

# Minutes of a meeting of the Fivehead Parish Council

held at the Village Hall, Stowey Road Fivehead  
on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2010 at 8pm.

**Present** Mr M Cavill (Chairman) Mr G Balmer Mrs K Beacham Mr R Fielding  
Mr K Male Dist. Cllr. S Steele Mrs M Knox (Clerk) one member of the public and  
PCSO Ian Ross.

## PUBLIC SESSION

Not held, no one wished to speak.

### 1809. APOLOGIES

**Apologies** were received from Cllr. N Cameron, Cllr. H Clarke and C. Cllr. D Nelson.

### 1810. MINUTES

The **minutes** of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2010 having been circulated were taken as a true record of what took place and duly signed by the Chairman.

### 1811. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND RAISED BY MEMBERS.

- a) **Langford Corner.** The date of Wed. 10<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 11am. was set for maintenance work. KM MC & KB.
  
- b) **Tools for ROW volunteers.** It was **resolved** prop. MC sec. GB to authorise the raising of a cheque , payee Toolstation, for £76.64 in payment for fourteen tools. The Clerk was authorised to purchase an iron bar, the researched value at Wickes being £18.98, using a personal card. It was **resolved** unan. the Clerk be reimbursed on production of a receipt for the actual purchase cost of the tool. The price to be close to the researched price. GB asked who would hold the tools. Clerk said it would be more practical for Mr J Taylor or Mr B Whittle to hold the tools as they did the majority of the work. An inventory to be issued and a checked on a regular basis, say bi-annually.
  
- c) **Visibility at Butchers Hill / A378 junction.** Parishioners had expressed concern that motorists had to pull out into the A378 to achieve satisfactory vision eastwards. MC to talk to the owners of Red Post House asking that the hedge be cut back hard including and beyond the curtilage of the house.
  
- d) **Walnut tree at 7 Langford Close.** The owner had approached several councillors who had inspected the tree during the month and who agreed that the tree was too large for the situation. Application 10/04238/TPO to fell 1 no. Walnut tree which is included within the Tree Preservation Order YDC (FIVE1) 1985 had been received but on which no observations were required. Clerk to write to Planning in support of the application stating that a number of councillors had seen the tree which dominates the whole garden. Council would be receptive to planting a replacement tree elsewhere in the parish if a suitable place could be found. This could be the cemetery.
  
- e) Procedure for **casual vacancy** anticipated in January. As full elections take place in May it was agreed to leave the post vacant until then, as is permitted. The Election to be advertised in the February and April Newsletters.

### 1812. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- a) From **SALC** re invitation to a Financial Clinic on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> 10am -1pm at Edgar Hall Somerton. £20 p.h. Clerk considered it would be advisable for her to attend. It was **resolved** to raise a cheque prop. KM sec. MC.

- b) From **South Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau** re request for donation. Resolved to donate £50 (prop. GB sec. KB.) using power 142 (2A).
- c) From **Fleet Air Arm** re invitation for the Chairman or a representative to attend a Briefing Update on Wed. 1st Dec. at 3pm at RNAS Yeovilton. MC to attend. Clerk to advise.
- d) From **Society of Local Council Clerks** re membership of Clerk. The Clerk does not consider it necessary for her to join the society.

**1813. REPORTS.**

- a) **Playing Field.** KM reported.
- d) **Cemetery** Sub Committee. Book to MC.
- g) **Police.** PCSO Ian Ross reported. No crime reported in Oct. for parish. Beat surgeries to be discontinued from January. A nominated councillor to be the police contact point. KB volunteered. Police reports, when an officer present, to be made under Public Session in future.
- h) **Clerk.** As advised by the War Memorial Trust the moss on the War Memorial can either be left or removed with a soft natural bristle brush. It was decided to leave it.

**1814. PLANNING.**

**Applications:** 10/03849/COU Langford Manor Lower Swell Fivehead. Change of use from residential to bed and breakfast. No objections.

**1815. TO CONSIDER THE BUDGET FOR 2011-2012**

A **preliminary discussion** was held. Letters stating funding requirements had been received from the FVHMC & the FPFMC. SALC recommend a 3% overall increase on the figures for last year but a 1% increase on salary costs. The Clerk was question on the Donation and Sec.137 figures in the 10-11 budget. Item for next agenda.

**1816. FINANCE**

The financial position of the Council and the Interim Balance to the end of October were received.

- a) **Payments authorised during the previous month:**
  - i) Fivehead Village Hall MC rent Sept. £16.50
- b) **Payments authorised at the meeting:**
  - ii) Mrs M Knox salary £208.47
  - iii) South Somerset Links donation £50
  - iv) M W Pettitt maint. 14/15<sup>th</sup> Oct. £143.69

Income from nl adverts worth £72 had been received and would detailed in December.

**1817. MATTERS OF REPORT, QUESTIONS AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.**

- b) **Clerk.** An update on historic Planning Enforcement issues was received. Children causing nuisance at the entrance to St. Martin's Close. Temporary road closures in Curry Rivel and Puckington, details on notice board when appropriate.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm

Chairman

Dated