

# Minutes of a meeting of the Fivehead Parish Council

held at the Village Hall, Stowey Road Fivehead

on Monday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 8pm.

Present Mr K Male (In the Chair) Mrs K Beacham Mr R Fielding Dist. Cllr. S Steele and Mrs M Knox (Clerk)

## PUBLIC SESSION

Not held no public present.

### 1600. APOLOGIES

**Apologies** were received from Cllrs. Cavill (unwell), Cameron and Clarke (on holiday).

### 1601. MINUTES

The **minutes** of the meetings held on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2009 having been circulated were taken as a true record of what took place and duly signed by the Chairman.

### 1602. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND RAISED BY MEMBERS.

- a) **Langford Corner.** Deferred for a full Council.
- b) **Potential flooding issues on Butchers Hill.** Highways have reaffirmed the need to dig out all ditches below Quarry Cottage before a jetter might possibly be sent be sent. As some of these are filled in and presumably piped Clerk to ask for a site meeting to ascertain exactly what is required.
- c) **Excessive number of distracting road signs.** David Heath MP had sent a supportive letter. His practical suggestion was to speak to our County Councillor (see below).
- d) **Payment of honorarium to newsletter editor.** A 3% increase on last year's figure had been agreed during the month and a cheque raised in consultation with the Chairman, Clerk and some councillors. This is a long standing annual honorarium which the clerk inadvertently left off December's Agenda.

### 1603. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- a) From Life Cycle UK. Re possible **availability of free cycle stands.** Council unanimously supported the idea. Clerk to ask the PFMC, the VHMC and the shopkeepers if they wished to site a stand.
- b) From SSDC re explorations into **joint working with East Devon District Council.** SS supplied further information. Content noted. Letter into circulation.
- c) From SCC ROW **re refusal on 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2009 of the Order for South Drove** to be classified as bridleway. An Order has been made for Widness Drove, in North Curry Parish, subject to receipt of any unresolved objections.
- d) From Mr & Mrs Collins re **damage to bridleway network by Taunton Vale Hunt.** Clerk to write to TVH saying a complaint had been received, accepting their right to use bridlepaths but regretting the resultant damage to the surface.

### 1604. REPORTS.

- a) **Playing Field.** KM reported. Hedge adjacent to the MUGA to be heavily trimmed.
- d) **Cemetery Sub Committee.** KM reported some work needed in Churchyard. Clerk thought some may have been done recently. Book to MK.

- e) **Highways.** Pothole at T junction of Cemetery Hill now hazardous. RF said there seems to be a problem with the drainage in that area extending north and westwards. There may be a mains water leak in the area. Clerk to report all.

#### **1605. PLANNING.**

**a) Applications:**

09/04529/FUL Crossacres Butchers Hill Fivehead. Alterations, the erection of a conservatory, conversion of roof space and formation of a dormer window. No objections.

**b) Decisions granted (s.t.c):**

09/04055/ful Glyndon Fivehead. Alterations and the erection of a two storey extension.

09/03673/ful 9 Ganges Close Fivehead. The erection of a side extension to dwelling. Refused. Receipt of letter from Planning re same.

#### **1606. TO SET THE DATE AND TIMES OF MEETINGS FOR 2010**

**To continue at 8pm on 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month** excluding Bank Holidays, when the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday.

#### **1607. TO SET THE CEMETERY RATES FOR 2010**

It was unanimously resolved **to raise the rates by 5%** rounded up where logical.

#### **1608. TO CONFIRM THE DATE, TIME AND SPEAKER FOR THE APM**

It was agreed to ask if a **representative from South Somerset Association for Voluntary and Community Action Ltd.** would be available to speak on 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> April. (Clerk later found the hall would not be available. Hall would only be available on the 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> and therefore proceeded accordingly.)

#### **1609. RENEWAL OF THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT.**

Mr Pettit had verbally stated his **intention to continue as per his contract.** Clerk to seek further confirmation.

#### **1610 FINANCE**

The financial position of the Council was received.

**a) Payments authorised during the month**

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i)	Fivehead Village Hall MC	Rent Nov.	£11
ii)	Mrs P Price	Honorarium	£103
iii)	Fivehead PFMC	MUGA grant min1599	£4124.82
iv)	WM Direct	Dec. nl. printing	£54

**b) Payments authorised at the meeting:**

v)	Mrs M Knox	Salary	£208.47
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**c) Income received during the month**

vi)	Riverford	nl advert	£15
vii)	G.E. Bailey	nl advert	£30

**1611. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.**

- c) Councillors. SS said that she had seen a **notice attached to a gate at Stillbrook Woodyard.**

There being no further business the meeting **closed at 9.15pm**

**DN arrived** and was informed of issues relevant to him, discussion ensued..

Chairman

Dated