

Minutes of a meeting of the Fivehead Parish Council

held at the Village Hall, Stowey Road Fivehead
on Monday 9th January 2012 at 8pm.

Present Mr M Cavill (Chairman) Mrs K Beacham Mrs N Cameron Mrs H Clarke
Mr R Fielding Mr K Male Dist. Cllr. S Steele C. Cllr. D Nelson (part) and Mrs M
Knox (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr J Morris spoke regarding the planning dispute at Sedgemoor Game Farm.
Mr C Miller spoke regarding planning application 11/05143/COU.

1961. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. L Howard.

1962. MINUTES

The **minutes** of the meeting held on the 12th December 2011 having been circulated were taken as a true record of what took place and duly signed by the Chairman with the addition at min 1955 of "Greenshutters also provided the large tree free which constituted the second request."

1967. PLANNING. Taken out of order.

Application: 11/05143/COU Lower Listock Farm Listock Lane North Curry. Change of use of redundant agricultural building to be used for the renovation and repair of pre-war and classic Riley motor cars and the associated storage and distribution of spare parts. No objections but the necessary fire precautions should be in place as all the buildings shown on the plan are linked.

1963. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND RAISED BY MEMBERS.

a) **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations** on June 3rd. The DJ committee had met, chosen the personalized, modern design mug at a total cost £234.15 for min. order of 72 and have the activities and catering in hand. Barbeque to be charged at cost, some donations of food anticipated and a pay bar provided. Mrs W Briggs had offered to make a celebration cake, requesting only the cost of ingredients. KB to ask what this might be. It was **resolved** "To incur necessary expenditure as approved by the DJ committee." (Includes three PC members to monitor, £450 budgeted). Prop. MC sec. unan.

b) To consider the purchase of a **replacement notice board** and receive some quotes, in conjunction with considering re-siting at and making alterations to Langford Corner. It was unanimously agreed not to purchase a new board as they were cost prohibitive and the existing board, with refurbishment would be fit for purpose. SS recommended a Peter Hayes from South Petherton for the commission. Clerk to investigate. Board to remain in existing position. No revamping of Langford Corner, MC & MK having measured the site and calculated the cost of part paving.

c) To consider the **purchase or lease of a Defibrillator**. (min 1954g). It was agreed this should be put to the village at the Annual Parish Meeting as there are cost, training and use implications. There is a first response lady in Isle Abbots who could be asked to attend to give further information.

d) Proposal for land north of **Stillbrook Woodyard** to be developed for housing. MC reported the owner's desire to erect low cost housing and a couple of larger open market properties. Informally there had been a query as to the need for low cost housing. This query may be formalized by the agent.

e) To receive information on the change in legislation relating to the payment of **Gratuities to Clerks**. In order to be able to pay the Clerk a gratuity as intended it was **resolved** to pass the following minute. Prop. KM sec. unan. "Council hereby agreed to pay a gratuity to the Clerk, Mrs M E Knox, as a variation to her contract. The amount will be subject to taking advice from SALC."

f) **Neighbourhood Development Plans**. To receive emailed advice from SSDC. At the February meeting members to detail the historical development of the past say twenty years with the aid of a map. Matter to be progressed into the future at the APM.

g) To set the **Newsletter Editor's honorarium** and raise a cheque for same. Set at £160. prop. MC sec. KB.

Clerk to write a letter of thanks.

h) **War Memorial**. MC reported major cracks in the pointing and considered urgent repair work was needed. **Resolved** unan to action. Clerk to source quotes. Funds to be partially precepted, some taken from reserves.

1964. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

a) From Mr & Mrs J Morris re receipt of a complaint relating to planning dispute at **Sedgemoor Game Farm**. ref. Cllr. H. Clarke. Noted.

1965 CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS. response sought.

Reduction on Subsidies to **Local Bus Services**. SCC. Members to reply as individuals.

2012 - 13 **Budget Consultation Survey**. Avon & Somerset Police Authority. Members to reply individually.

1966. REPORTS.

d) **Cemetery Sub Committee**. Book to NC.

f) **Rights of Way**. Various footpaths are in a queue for upgrading to bridleways.

g) **Police**. No reported crime.

1967. PLANNING.

Taken at item three above.

1968. TO SET THE DATE AND TIMES OF MEETINGS FOR 2012

To be on the **1st Monday of the month** at 8pm except on a Bank Holiday when the meeting will move to the 2nd Monday of the month.

1969. TO SET THE DATE, TIME AND PROGRAMME FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Having consulted with the VH booking officer over dates it was agreed to hold the meeting on the 25th April at 8pm. (Subsequent to the meeting clerk was informed and notified members that the date was no longer available. *Item for next Agenda.*)

1970. TO SET THE CEMETERY RATES FOR 2012

It was **resolved** to set the **increase at 3%**. Prop. RF sec. NC (unan).

1971. TO SET THE BUDGET FOR 2012-2013

DN arrived during this item. Having considered the notional budget set by the Clerk Council **resolved to set the budget at £1200.00** (prop. MC sec KM). 3% increase. The Chairman signed the Precept Forms. The figure was reached with regard to min. 1949 and a letter received from the PFMC read at the Dec. meeting. It was accepted that reserves might need to be used for repairs to the War Memorial.

1972 FINANCE

The financial position of the Council was received.

a) Payments authorised and instructed for signature at the meeting:

i)	Mrs M Knox	Salary	£208.47
ii)	FVHMC	Rent December	£12
iii)	Mrs P Price	Honorarium	£160

1973. MATTERS OF REPORT, QUESTIONS AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

a) **Chairman.** Asked whether councillors wished to continue to receive the volume of informative emails forwarded by the Clerk. Affirmed.

b) **Clerk.** A letter of thanks for the donation had been received from SS Citizens Advice. Opportunity to nominate person for Western Gazette Pride Award. Can be done privately. There being no further business the meeting closed at pm 10.5pm

Chairman

Dated