

Minutes of a meeting of the Fivehead Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Stowey Road Fivehead on Monday 7th August 2006 at 8pm.

Present Mr M Cavill (Chairman) Mr G Balmer Mr K Male Mrs N Cameron
Mr K Summers Mr M Tennant Dist. Cllr. S Steele and Mrs M Knox Clerk)

1140. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mrs H Clarke and C. Cllr D Nelson.

1141. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd July 2006 having been circulated were taken as a true record of what took place and duly signed by the Chairman.

1142. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND RAISED BY MEMBERS.

- a) Parish Paths Improvement Scheme. There was an opportunity to submit a project to the value of £1000 by Sept. 11th. Clerk had consulted for suitable projects during the month and L11/31 had been identified as in need of clearance and furniture. She had liaised with ranger George Montague of SSDC who was organising a definitive map to be sent from SCC. Council agreed to support this as their project. Our definitive map was consulted and KM gave advice on the correct path line. Clerk to pursue, seeking landowner consents and quotes.
- b) Invitation to participate in the Parish Paths Stewardship Scheme. Paperwork into circulation. Item for next agenda.
- c) To consider whether to support the setting up of Speedwatch for Fivehead and what financial support to give to the scheme should it be resolved to proceed. Clerk had received an email detailing the names of two volunteer coordinators and four volunteers. Others were likely to join (GB then offered). In the light of the existing commitment Council **resolved** unanimously (prop. GB sec. MT) to grant £200 under Local Gov. & Rating Act 1997 s(31 (1) to purchase the required equipment. Clerk to email PC Andy Blackwell and contact the two coordinators, Mrs Du Boulay and Mrs Westworth, to this effect. Council envisage the scheme being managed by the coordinators not the PC. Mrs Du Boulay and Mrs Westworth had given their apologies for non attendance at the Public Session due to prior commitments.
- d) Parish Plan progress report. Questionnaires have been distributed. Over 80%, an excellent response, have been returned and are being analysed. The prize draw is to be held on Wed. 9th August.
- e) Friendly Society Banner. A letter from Fivehead WI stating it has no ideas for refurbishment of same had been received. SS reported that Mr Page would be willing to undertake the task of stabilization and would give a quote for his work. Clerk to pursue.
- f) Churchyard Wall. No inspection by MC & KM had taken place. GB reported that the PCC have found that the section of the churchyard which includes the wall has not been closed so the PC is not responsible for the repair. The Church does wish to close that section and proposes to find out how this can be achieved.
- g) Excessive gravel on Stowey Road outside entrance to Village Hall and Playing Field. Sweeping the gravel back onto the drive has now been added to the weekly cleaning list.
- h) Nuisance from barking dogs. A communication has been received stating that noise comes regularly at night from the rear of Fivehead Garage. MC to investigate. In addition barking comes from the west end of the Top Road as has been previously reported from other sources.

1143. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- a) From Fivehead Village Hall MC. Re request for a £3000 grant for 2007-8 and information on the financial position of the hall. This letter had been previously emailed to councillors and was read out. GB gave the background for the need to increase the existing loan. Clerk to write to the VHC Chairman thanking her for her letter stating that Council would like to see their financial plan, the final figures and budgets before the PC considers its budget prior to setting the precept in November. However Council looks favourably on their request.
- b) From the Society of Local Council Clerks re membership details. The Clerk has no desire to belong to SLCC at present but Council agreed that should she so desire in the future it would pay her subscription.
- c) From SALC re current CiLCA training at cost of 75% of £185. Unless requested to by Council the Clerk

has to desire to take the qualification. Council could see no immediate benefit from her so doing.

1144. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS. response sought.

District Wide Parking Strategy Study Report. (in circulation). Council is adamantly against parking charges in rural towns being contra to their viability. Clerk to respond thus.

Mobile Library Service questionnaire. These were deemed to be personal not targeted at Council.

1145. REPORTS.

b) Village hall. GB reported on the successful family day. A badminton club is starting and short mat bowls will soon. d) Cemetery sub committee. NC had completed her inspection month. MC will undertake this coming month. After consultation the burial of Lee Slade had been charged at local rates. B & E Slade had then purchased the adjacent plot at the same rate which was considered less than satisfactory. The clerk admitted she had acted without authorisation in the second instance due to the sensitivity of the situation. f) LAMP KM reported on the winding up of LAMP.

1146. PLANNING.

Decisions (granted s.t.c.) 06/01851/ful Siting of a mobile home and connection to services and facilities. Glendale Butchers Hill, Fivehead. The "Scheme of Delegation report" on this application was received. SS and MC had negotiated the applicant an offer of a sheltered housing bungalow which was rejected.

05/03376/FUL and 379LBC Erection of extension and refurbishment and alterations. Moortown Farm, Moortown Lane, Curry Rivel.

06/01685/ful Rear single storey extension, front adaption of garage and dormer to entrance porch, lounge. Brooking Bury, Ganges Hill, Fivehead

1147. AUDIT

The satisfactory closure of audit by Moore Stephens was reported. The closure notice had been posted. The comments of the now retired internal auditor were read out. MT had the purchase of a proposed token of appreciation in hand.

1148 FINANCE

The financial position and bank reconciliation of the Council were received.

a) Payments authorised during the month

i) A& M garden Services	maint. June	£318
b) Payments authorised at the meeting:		
ii) Mrs M Knox	salary	£160.29
iii) Mrs M Knox	expenses	£3.88
iv) Moore Stephens	audit fee	£141
v) Fivehead Village Hall	rent	£15.75
c) Income received during the month		
vi) Bishops Funeral Services	re L Slade	£175
vii) NATWEST	interest	£89.19

1149. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

c) Councillors. Quiz at VH, including the topic of wine with maybe wine tasting, on Sept. 29th.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm

Chairman

Dated