

BIGBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the parish council held in the Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel on Wednesday 10th JUNE 2009 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr T Edgcombe in the chair and Cllrs. G Davis, B Carson, J Owen, Mrs C Heath . PCSO Stacey Thorns and 3 residents also attended.

- 1.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs A Best and K Lawrence
- 2.0 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved by those present and signed by the chairman. .
- 3.0 MATTERS ARISING
 - 3.0 Car Park steps near gift shop: letter had been received from solicitors for the owners of the car park offering £250 to the parish council to facilitate the repair of the steps in the hope of part funding from DCC and SHDC. However the insurers have stated the parish council do not own the steps and therefore must not do any works to them. Cllr Davis proposed that the parish council should ask Peter Guy if the footpath could by-pass the steps. This was seconded by Cllr Owen. Cllr Carson proposed that Peter Guy be asked if the parish council could use the £250 and ask DCC to pay the rest. With equal voting the chairman cast in favour of Cllr Carson's proposal. The discussion then continued . Finally it was decided to ask C Cllr Mumford to take the matter up.
 - 3.1 Trees: Details of an offer of trees had been sent to parish tree wardens and the clerk had written to Mrs McCabe to thank her for bringing the parish council's attention to the scheme. A few residents had expressed an interest in having trees under the scheme following inclusion in the last Bigbury News. Cllr Owen said it would be nice if some fruit trees could be planted. Suggested sites for trees: Bowling Green, boundary playing field with John Cullen's field, roadside verge opposite entrance to Folly Farm and owners of Turtle Farm and also Butterwell Barn had expressed an interest.
 - 3.2 Walk on Wildside: Mr Gay had informed the clerk that all profits are donated to Bigbury Fun Run and have been since the booklet was first produced. Cllr Heath proposed and Cllr Carson seconded that the parish council should ask Mr Gay for a breakdown as the parish council is funding the cost of printing under P3 money.
 - 3.4 Children's play area: nothing further had been heard from Alexander Whish, SHDC.
 - 3.5 BoS car park bank: no acknowledgement has been received from SHDC regarding the letter requesting the cutting back of the car park bank bordering Marine Drive from the car park entrance to Warren Point.
- 4.0 PCSO STACEY THORN reported that two crimes have been reported since the last parish council meeting. The main problem in this area is marine crime which is accelerating at the moment. It has been found that investigations have proved that white vans and flat bed trucks have been involved in most cases. She asked that residents should become more security conscious and report anything suspicious to 08452 777 444. The police do not mind if the report is groundless as quite often they are able to catch culprits this way.

5.0 OPEN SESSION

- 5.0 Dr Stuart Watts reported that the Memorial Hall AGM will take place on Wednesday 17th June at 7.30 p.m.
- 5.1 He also reported that Land Registry have accepted the Hall's claim for ownership of the land at the Hall.
- 5.2 Dr Watts also reported that the fingerpost for Easton is missing.
- 5.3 Mrs Jean Wright asked permission for St Lawrence's Church to use the playing field on Saturday 8th August for a fete. Permission was given.

- 6.0 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT D Cllr Carson reported that the Local Government Review has now been submitted to the Boundary Committee but it will be the end of the year before any result can be made known. A consultation of building sites for affordable homes in towns in the South Hams has taken place. Cllr Carson responded to a question put to him from Dr Watts regarding the Shoreline Plan. He referred to work carried out at Sedgewell to stabilise the cliff and also at Challaborough.

- 7.0 WEBSITE nothing further to report since last month's meeting

8.0 PLANNING - SHDC notices received

- 8.0 Mr Buss: report from SHDC following a Design and Conservation Panel Meeting held on 21st April regarding proposed development at Firle, Ringmore Drive, Bigbury on Sea. Members had felt they could find nothing worthy in the proposal.
- 8.1 Mr Bernard Owen: Combe Farm Barns, Aveton Gifford: new application in for an access track. This was to be circulated among the councillors
- 8.2 Mr Trivett, Holdings, Ringmote: plans had been circulated among councillors resulting in no objections to the proposal.
- SHDC notices received:
- 8.3 Mr D Stevenson: Anchorstone Properties: Amendments to approval for redevelopment of Sedgewell Sands to create 2 x 3 bedroom and 2 x 4 bedroom residential units
GRANTED
- 8.4 Beachdown Bungalows: Inspectorate's Report dismissing part of the proposal but allowing the rest.
- 8.5 Junkets, Cockleridge: letter from owners detailing their wishes to replace existing building with one of sturdier construction but on same footprint. Dr Watts reported that the Aune Conservation Society had also received a copy and had no objections.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

- 9.0 SHDC: minutes of Executive Meeting 28th May – circulation
- 9.1 The Common Players; forthcoming show touring village halls
- 9.2 Teignbridge District Council: Shoreline Management Plan – meeting in Harbour House, Kingsbridge, Friday 5th June
- 9.3 S Devon Coastal Local Action Group newsletter – circulation
- 9.4 S Devon & Dartmoor CDRP newsletter – circulation
- 9.5 Village Green – circulation
- 9.6 Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital: newsletter – circulation
- 9.7 CVS Voluntary Vine – circulation

10 FINANCIAL

10.0 It was proposed by Cllr Owen, seconded by Cllr Carson and agreed that cheques be drawn as follows:-

- i. Mr D Hammett: cutting, tidying bus shelter and seat Folly Hill £48
- ii. S Hams Containers: skip at Bigbury on Sea £314.40
- iii Parish clerk fee & 3 months expenses £363.87
- iv Mrs Alice Taylor. Parish Plan printing and expenses £683.70 (Cllr Owen's signature to be added on receipt of invoice.)

The clerk reported that Mr Alric Bennett had informed her that the BoS skip had not been so well used as in previous years when it had been in the autumn. Recycling credits will be claimed from SHDC.

11.0 PARISH PLAN

Cllr Heath reported that it had been received from the printers and issued a copy to each councillor present. The Plan will be distributed with the next issue of Bigbury News and the launch date will be on Friday 10th July in the Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm. Cllr Lawrence will be drawing up posters to be displayed around the parish.

12.0 SHDC LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK DRAFT; parish council had already entered a submission earlier on in year.

13.0 MATTERS OUTSTANDING

13.0 Mirror at Pickwick crossroads. Cllr Owen had received further details about spraying the mirror which would need to be done about once a month. Solar panelled mirrors cost around £900

13.1 Evidence User Forms New Quay and Cleveland Drive

13.2 Land Registry – bus shelter at BoS: Cllr Edgcombe will ask Mr Alan King if he knows who owns the land on which the bus shelter is sited.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

14.0 Cllr Owen reported that the seat at Folly Hill was in a bad state of repair and that he is willing to carry out the necessary work free of charge. It was also reported that a bench in the children's play area is also in need of renovation. Permission was given to Cllr Owen to effect the repairs and the parish council will pay for all costs involved. .

14.1 Cllr Heath asked if Mrs Judy Alloway from Kingston could attend the next meeting regarding Affordable Lettings Policy. Permission given.

14.2 Cllr Heath reported that the posts around the play equipment in the children's play area need spraying with weedkiller. Cllr Edgcombe said he will attend to the matter.

14.3 Cllr Davis reported that Moores Lane is now a lot better since resurfacing had taken place. .

15.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 8th JULY at 7.30 p.m.
Meeting ended 9.15.

