

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26th September 2007 at 7.30pm

Members Present: Cllr Mrs K Redknapp, Vice Chairman
 Cllr Mrs V Bell Cllr N.R. Hindmarch Cllr Mrs S Smith
 Cllr J Crow Cllr I Maddock Cllr G Willetts
 Cllr. M. Dyer Cllr M. Packham

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs, Clerk and Mr B Kliger

249. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Mrs Bell declared a personal interest in the Planning minutes of 9th August – relevant only if minutes are to be discussed.

Cllr Dyer: Prejudicial Interest item 9 – To report on the issue and withdrew before debate and decision. Item 11 Personal interest as Cllr Dyer is the EDDC nominee for the Youth Club

250. Apologies for absence: Cllr R Dudman, Cllr Mrs J House, Cllr Mrs A Warman and Cllr R Warman

251. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29th August, 2007

The minutes of the meeting held on 29th August, 2007 pages 32 to 34, were agreed and signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Crow, seconded by Cllr M Packham.

252. Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 5th September, 2007

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th September, 2007 page 35, were amended to include attendance by Cllr M Packham, agreed and then signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Packham, seconded by Cllr Crow.

253. Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only):

Min: 189.6 Cllr Willetts reported visiting the resident mentioned and will privately circulate a sponsorship form.

254. i) Meeting of Amenities Committee Meeting held on 4th July 2007 The approved minutes of the meeting held on 4th July 2007, page 21, was adopted as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Mrs Bell seconded Cllr Dyer.

ii) Meeting of Finance Committee Meeting held on 4th July 2007 The approved minutes of the meeting held on 4th July 2007, page 22, was adopted as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Crow seconded Cllr Dyer.

iii) Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 9th August, 2007- The approved minutes of the meeting held on 9th August 2007, pages 29 & 30, were adopted as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Crow seconded by Cllr Willetts.

255. Recommendations from Committees to receive and approve:-

i) Finance Committee Min 228 (5.09.07) Dial A Ride – (FC Min 488 22.02.06 refers) It was agreed to extend the grant for 6 months from 1.07.07 to 31.12.07 at a cost of £7 per trip, for the actual usage up to a maximum of 25 trips per month for residents of St Leonards & St Ives. Proposed by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Crow.

RESOLVED: to extend the grant to Dial A Ride for 6 months from 1.07.07 to 31.12.07 at a cost of £7 per trip, for the actual usage up to a maximum of 25 trips per month for residents of St Leonards & St Ives.

ii) Finance Committee Min 226 (5.09.07) and Amenities Committee Min 217 (5.09.07) It was agreed to amend the Terms of Reference for Committees as recommended. Proposed by Cllr Packham, seconded by Cllr Crow.

RESOLVED: Terms of Reference for Committees on delegated powers for spending item 3. will read:- To administer on behalf of the Council the Committee's approved annual budget within the budgetary provision agreed by Council.

256. Correspondence (for information only):

1. NALC National Conference Bournemouth – 5-7 October cost £130.23 per day. Noted.
2. Offer from resident to assist with welcome pack history note. Passed to Cllr Willetts.

3. DCC letter advising of drainage works on A338 – Noted.
4. Survey of highway maintenance DCC. Noted.
5. Durlston Head to Rame Head – Shoreline Management Plan review consultation – request for views. Visit www.sdadcag.org. Noted.
6. Sustainable Community Strategy for East Dorset Consultation deadline 26.10.07. Noted.
7. Dorset Heathlands Joint Development Plan Document: Issues and Options Consultation view on www.boroughofpoole.com deadline 29th October. Copies for circulation to Members have been ordered.
8. CROW Act 2000, provisions for the extinguishment of Public Rights of Way. Noted.
9. DAPTC Eastern Area Committee Minutes 1.08.07. Noted.
10. Invitation to the Chairman to lunch to celebrate 21 years of Braeside Age Concern Day Centre 15th October 2007. Noted.
11. DCA Invitation to AGM 4th October at Cerne Abbas - 40th Anniversary of DCA. Noted.

257. County Councillors Update: nothing to report.

258. District Councillors' Update: Cllr Dyer reported – that he had received an invitation to a private meeting, via Cllr Mrs Warman from Matchams Close Residents Association. As determination of the Matchams Planning application by EDDC is imminent he thought it unwise to attend, bearing in mind Code of Conduct advice. He had made an apology in writing, explaining the reasons, which he hand delivered.

He had since had sight of an email to Cllr Bell which said that “Mike Dyer did not turn up” and contained other derogatory remarks. In Cllr Dyer’s opinion, failure to mention the prior apology for absence tended to confirm the Clerks contention that despite claims to the contrary, Matchams Close residents knew in advance of the Parish Planning meeting on the Matchams application.

At this point Cllr Mrs Bell confirmed that she had been told about it prior to the meeting by the same resident.

259. Land at St Leonards – Nothing further to report.

260. Youth Club – The open day re-launch on 22nd September went ahead, the Clerk and Cllr Mrs Redknap attended. Twelve names were recorded and Mr Cox from DCC will be writing to all those on the list to follow up the day. All attending seemed to have enjoyed their time. Advertising for the day was poor. The Parish Council subcommittee met on 24th September and agreed that better advertising was required. The Tennis Club Coach visited the open day and it is hoped to get some link formed with the Club.

261. Village Hall –

- i) Justification of grant – The Clerk reported receiving further receipts from the VHMC which were read out. A list of receipts provided will be circulated to the Members for acceptance. The underlying reason for the cashflow situation is still not known. A comparison with other similar halls would be useful.
- ii) The correspondence from EDDC concerning maintenance was discussed. The Clerk will ask at the forthcoming training Seminar about culpable liability and an extraordinary meeting will be called if required to ensure that essential action to carry out any necessary work is done.

262. Play Park Refurbishment – The Clerk circulated a report on the Refurbishment, a copy appears as Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book. Contents noted.

263. Annual Return 2006/2007 – The Clerk reported that the Audit was complete and the signed Annual Return and conclusion for 31st March 2007 had been received. It was noted that there were no matters arising from the Audit. The Statutory Notices declaring the conclusion have been posted. It was agreed to approve and accept the Annual Return and Audit report from the External Auditor. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Bell and seconded by Cllr Mrs Smith.

RESOLVED: To approve and accept the Annual Return and conclusion of Audit for the year ended 31 March 2007.

264. Greening the Village Hall – Members received the information concerning environmental considerations with interest. To take action will require collaboration between both the VHMC and the Parish Council. More revenue will be needed to carryout the suggestions. There are several organisations which award grants for such work and some of the measures are low cost but would

require cooperation from hirers. In principle the report was accepted. Any action needs to be cautionary and practical particularly with regard to taking on additional costs. It was proposed that an audit is carried out to assess which items would be cost effective. Proposed by Cllr Dyer, seconded by Cllr Maddock.

RESOLVED: To carry out an audit of the premises to assess what environmental measures could be taken and the cost implications.

- 265. Welcome Packs for new Residents** – Cllr Willetts reported. Work has started to collate information to produce a pack/information letter for new residents. More work and investigation is needed before further discussion.
- 266. RSS Review of Pitch allocations for Gypsies and Travellers in the South West** – Cllr Dyer reported different lower figures than those on the literature supplied, confirmation is awaited. The clerk will contact Forward Planning to obtain accurate figures. An EGM will be called to approve a response once the accurate figures are known.
- 267. Fire System Sub committee** – A report compiled by Cllr Mrs House had been circulated to Members, a copy of which appears as Appendix B with these Minutes in the Minute Book. The Clerk reported that a reply confirming the final sum due was still awaited.
- 268. Parish Plan Monitoring and Progress** – Nothing further to report.
- 269. Horton Road** – Cllr Mrs Redknapp requested the Clerk to obtain prices to reseed the pitch and move the goal posts. The Clerk will ask the contractor what the optimum time for seeding is.
- 270. Clerks Sub Committee**– The Clerk reported that this Committee does not appear to have any Terms of Reference. All Committees take instruction from and report to Full Council. Cllr Packham and Cllr Hindmarch advised that Terms of Reference are in existence. The Clerk will investigate the records prior to July 2004 as there is no record of them within the current Clerks period of service.
- 271. Exchange of information:**
1. Next meeting - 7.30pm on 31st October 2007
 2. Letter from a resident and Member of the VHMC concerning car park management. The Clerk reported receipt of correspondence concerning car park management. The clerk has responded that the VHMC is responsible for this issue.

The meeting ended at 9.15pm.

CHAIRMAN