

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Of the Full Council
Minutes of the Meeting Held On Wednesday 26th October 2011 at 6.30pm
in the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr Mrs J House Vice Chairman in the Chair
 Cllr R Adkins Cllr R Dudman Cllr N Hindmarch Cllr C House
 Cllr J Crow Cllr M Dyer Cllr M Hockley Cllr G Willetts

Present: Mrs A Jacobs Clerk, County Councillor Peter Richardson and four Members of the Public.

Open Forum: A resident complained about the hedge along the Ringwood Service Road and the poor quality of the road repair outside the Church in Ringwood Road. The Clerk had recently sent out a number of overhanging vegetation letters. The Clerk reported that both issues had been long standing issues raised with Dorset County Council. The Clerk will contact the resident with an update tomorrow.

County Councillor Peter Richardson – A report was circulated to Members. A copy of which appears as Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book. Cllr Richardson provided a further update on the night which will appear as Appendix B with these Minutes in the Minute Book. Cllr Richardson stressed that further cuts will be needed but a great deal of care has been taken by Members to minimise the impact on the public. A further £4m has to be saved this year and an additional £9m next year.

Cllr Hindmarch asked if there were any lane closures planned or restrictions for the A31 for the Olympics next year? Cllr Richardson has not heard of any to date.

Cllr Richardson was thanked for his report. The Chairman then opened the meeting.

290. Declarations of Interest: P&P= Personal and prejudicial Interest

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| Cllr R Dudman | Item 7 | P&P VHMC matters as Trustee. Cllr Dudman withdrew from the room for the debate. |
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291. Apologies were received and accepted from: Cllr R Bryan; Cllr B Goringe; Cllr Mrs A Warman and Cllr R Warman.

Cllr M Hockley arrived at 6.45pm due to working commitments.

292. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th September 2011 pages 47 to 50 were agreed as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr M Hockley, seconded by Cllr J Crow.

293. Matters arising from the Minutes:-

1. Min. 255 - A letter has been sent to Ringwood Town Council re the land at Folly Farm. Emailed to Members. A letter has been received from RTC informing the Council that a copy of Cllr Warman's report had been sent to them. This has crossed with the letter from this Council. The Chairman asked that his disappointment in this was noted.
2. Min. 247 – Official objection sent to HCC in respect of Minerals and Waste Draft Document
3. Min. 180 – Youth Club response received from County Cllr Mrs Toni Coombs, copied to Members
4. Min. 253 - Public Meeting Gypsy and traveller consultation document – The VHMC are unable to accommodate this unless it is a Saturday evening. The hall is available during the day on Mondays and some Tuesdays and Thursdays. This was discussed. The Clerk will write to the school. A number of Members would prefer not to hold this meeting on a Saturday evening. A weekday evening would be preferred.
5. Min. 256.4 -Cllr Willetts reported that he is waiting to hear back from ARCT concerning a suitable project in respect of Mr Brian Kliger. The DCC Countryside Service has put in a bid for £500,000 to look after the trailway and particularly work on the old halt. If sufficient money is awarded they hope to be able to have some form of memorial in respect of Mr Kliger.

294. Approved minutes of the following Committee Meetings were adopted:-

- i) Meeting of Planning Committee held on 22nd September, 2011. Proposed for adoption by Cllr G Willetts, seconded by Cllr M Hockley. Agreed unanimously.
- ii) Meeting of Amenities Committee held on 7th September, 2011. Proposed for adoption by

- Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr M Dyer. Agreed unanimously
- iii) Meeting of Finance Committee held on 7th September, 2011. Proposed for adoption by Cllr J Crow, seconded by Cllr R Dudman. Agreed unanimously

295. Correspondence noted:

1. EDDC Agendas
2. Email from EDDC to District Councillors Land off A31 close to Shamba Farm has been withdrawn from Gypsy Site consultation at the request of the owner.
3. Open Spaces Society – notification of intention to incorporate the Society to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - EGM 23 Nov in London to discuss proposal.
4. Meeting in connection with Highspeed Broadband 10th November. Cllr C House will attend. It was noted that HSB is scheduled to be available from Ringwood by December this year. DAPTC have previously reported that this facility was being prioritised by the Government due to the Olympics, the understanding was that the Government would fund the project.

296. Village Hall Management Committee (VHMC):-

- i) The minutes of the VHMC 6th October 2011, including AGM and 12th October 2011. Emailed to members. Noted.

Cllr Dudman was asked if he wished to speak under 12(2) or whether any representatives were going to attend to speak. Cllr Dudman informed Members that he had not been informed that a representative would attend and he had nothing to say under 12(2). Cllr Dudman left the room for the debate due to his declared interest.

- ii) Minute 370 26.01.11 - Members had received a summary of the revised rolling programme of work and where requested the full document. This was discussed. Reference was made to some of the types of minor expenditure which had been made, which some Members felt should have been met from hire income particularly when at the AGM a profit of £12,000 was reported. It was noted by those Members who were party to the original resolution in January 2011 that the decision was made based on the historic financial requests from the hall. The Council had for a number of years provided on average around £12,000. The aim of the resolution was to allow the hall to manage the hall without interference and to end the constant demands on Council time to consider individual requests. The Council requires expenditure to be evidenced by copies of paid invoices. The Chairman reminded Members that the discussion was to decide the second payment for this current financial year.

Based on the evidence provided, it was agreed (with one abstention) to approve the second payment of £6,000 for 2011/2012. Proposed by Cllr G Willetts, seconded by Cllr J Crow.

RESOLVED: To grant the Village Hall Management Committee the sum of £6,000 for the remainder of the financial year 2011/2012, this being the second payment in respect of Minute 370.2 - 26.01.11.

- iii) A Request from the Chairman of the VHMC to defer the decision on next year's grant award until November's full Council meeting as the VHMC are unable to discuss their budgets until 17th November was considered. It was agreed unanimously to defer the decision as requested. Proposed by Cllr Dyer, seconded by Cllr Willetts.

RESOLVED: To defer the discussion and decision on the grant for 2012/2013 to November's meeting as requested by the VHMC.

Cllr Dudman returned to the meeting and was informed of the two decisions made.

- iv) Reminder of VHMC Community day 19th November 2011. Noted.

297. Parish Councillors' Reports -To receive reports from Parish Councillors including:-

1. Homewatch – no meeting
2. ETAG – Meeting scheduled for December, when the Committee will be discussing the Gypsy site consultation document, Green Infrastructure for Dorset and the Dorset Interim Heathland strategy.
3. Youth Club – The Chairman of the Youth Club is trying to arrange a meeting shortly.
4. PACT – no meeting
5. DAPTC – Note AGM date 5th November. Cllr Hindmarch is attending to represent the Council.
6. Parish Plan meeting – 12th October, 2011 – Cllr Mrs House reported that the group is waiting for the Localism Bill to be finalised. A new plan will be needed. Cllr Willett's stressed the importance for this Council to state it's position concerning planning and development before the bill becomes law next year.

298. Annual Review of Documents – Cllr Willetts reported. With the Clerk the following documents have been reviewed. The documents were compliant with recent legislation and completely

overhauled last year. No additional amendments were recommended at this time. Members accepted the recommendation.

1. Standing Orders – completely redrafted based on Nalc recommendations 2010
2. Terms of Reference for Committees – no change
3. Financial Regulations – no change
4. Risk Assessment
5. Freedom of Information Act Publications Scheme – as previous – no change
6. Complaints Procedure – no change
7. Dignity at Work policy

299. Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee – Copies of correspondence from the Committee Chairman reiterating their refusal for a direct representative from this Council had been circulated to Members together with a report from the Clerk. This was discussed. It was thought that the Committee had been established in the 1980's, despite repeated requests appeared unable to provide a copy of their constitution or procedure for applying for Membership. The issue of the apparent lack of balance of Membership should be raised through EDDC. The Council discussed their urgent concerns over the proposals to base the Police helicopter at the airport and industrial unit development. A vote of no confidence in the Consultative Committee was proposed and agreed unanimously. Proposed by Cllr M Hockley, seconded by Cllr C House.

RESOLVED: We the Parish Council of St Leonards and St Ives have no confidence in the Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee to look after the interests of our local parishioners.

It was proposed that the Clerk write to Neil Farmer at EDDC expressing the reasons why this Council has no confidence in the present Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee to represent the interests of this Parish and ask for his assistance in gaining membership of the Committee. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr M Hockley. Agreed with one abstention, none against.

RESOLVED That the Clerk will write to Neil Farmer at EDDC as directed.

300. Sunseeker Rallye – A Letter informing the Council of the event to be held on 24th and 25th February 2012 had been copied to Members. This was discussed. Based on the experience of previous years the Clerk was instructed to write to the Organisers and the Police and ask for some no Parking cones to be placed along Lions Lane on both days. Also to ask that the rules concerning racing outside of the main event are firmly enforced as an incident involving two landrovers racing in Moors Valley was reported. The Clerk will write as instructed.

301. District Councillors' Update: Nothing to report.

302. Fire Procedure for meetings of the Council – A copy had been circulated to Members with the agenda. The Chairman of the meeting will remind Members and the Public of the emergency procedure. It was noted that if the alarm goes off during a meeting, it is not a drill. Noted.

303 It was resolved to exclude the Press and Public to discuss the following matters:-

- i) To report receipt of a complaint concerning correspondence from a Member of this Council and to inform Members of action taken.
- ii) The Clerk will then be excluded from the meeting for Members to receive a report and recommendations from the Clerk's Committee.

Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr C House. Agreed unanimously.

See confidential Minutes 303 & 304 dated 26th October 2011 in the Confidential Minute Book.

305. Timings of future meetings – Due to the extensive road works on the A31 Members agreed to bring forward the starting time of the Council meetings. To avoid confusion all meetings would now start at 7pm until further notice.

306. Exchange of information:

1. Next meeting - 7.00pm on November 30th 2011

The meeting closed at 8.28pm

Chairman