

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Of the Full Council
Minutes of the Meeting Held On Wednesday 25th January 2012 at 7pm
in the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr Ray Bryan, Chairman

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| Cllr R Adkins | Cllr R Dudman | Cllr N Hindmarch | Cllr Mrs J House |
| Cllr J Crow | Cllr M Dyer | Cllr M Hockley | Cllr Mrs A Warman |
| | Cllr B Goringe | Cllr C House | Cllr R Warman |

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

Open Forum: A resident of Forest Edge Drive spoke on the urgent need for a pedestrian crossing opposite Moors Valley Country Park and requested that the Parish Council give their support to this. The location is due to the volume of users attempting to cross into the park by bicycle (via the trailway access point at Forest Edge Drive) the bus stop opposite and pedestrians from other sources. The Council will add this item for discussion at their February full Council meeting. The resident was asked to put this request formally in writing to the Council.

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 gave a short précis of the report circulated.

Cllr Hindmarch asked if there was anymore news in respect of the A31 travel restrictions for the Olympics. Cllr Richardson had not had any details but will try to find out more for the next meeting.

7.15pm Cllr Richardson was thanked for his report and left the meeting.

438. Declarations of Interest: None

439. Apologies: None received

440. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 30th November 2011, pages 68-71, were agreed as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr R Warman.

441. Matters arising from the Minutes:-

1. Min. 348 - Hants Minerals and Waste comments submitted. Noted.
2. Min. 355 (ii) The Clerk informed Members, for clarity, that the intent of this resolution was defined in full in the Minute detail, that the January Finance Committee meeting would be submitting a recommendation to full Council in respect of this grant. Terms of reference for Committees give delegated powers in respect of expenditure within each budgetary section but these are applicable only once the precept for that financial year has been approved by the Full Council. Noted.

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

- i) Meeting of Planning Committee held on 24th November (P.66 & 67) 15th December 2011 (P.75-77) Proposed for adoption by Cllr Mrs J House seconded by Cllr M Hockley. Agreed.
- ii) Meeting of Amenities Committee held on 9th November 2011 (P 62 7 63) and 7th December 2011 (P.72 & 73) Proposed for adoption by Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House. Agreed.
- iii) Meeting of Finance Committee held on 9th November 2011 (P.64 & 65) and 7th December 2011 (P.74) Proposed for adoption by Cllr J Crow, seconded by Cllr C House. Agreed.

443. Correspondence:

1. EDDC Agendas
2. DCC Capital Works programme
3. South West ambulance Newsletter
4. Castleman Trailway Newsletter – emailed.
5. New Forest District Council – Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging schedule
6. DAPTC CE Circ 15/11 – emailed
7. Information and offer to speak from Non Native Plant Project (Avon Valley) – The Clerk accept the offer of a short talk at a subsequent meeting to be arranged.
8. Synergy Estate Walkabout invitation – no sites within our Parish.
9. Open Spaces further donations requested

10. Eneco Windfarm Invitation to Public Exhibition 28th February at West Moors
11. Letter from Keith Mallett, with information on Localism – Predisposition – copies circulated to Members.

444. Recommendation from the Amenities Committee – Jubilee Bench

Members received a recommendation from the Finance Committee that the Community grant to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee is used to purchase a bench for Horton Road, with a commemorative plaque. This was discussed. The matter was deferred to the next meeting for further investigation on potential sites.

- 445. Precept Demand for 2012/2013** - Members received the recommendation from the Finance Committee for an increase on the precept of 3.5% against last years figure. This was discussed at length.

Cllr Hindmarch proposed that a Recorded vote was taken, seconded by Cllr R Warman. This was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: That a recorded vote is taken on this item.

Cllr R Warman proposed that the Council accepts the 3.5% increase in the precept as recommended by the Finance Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs A Warman. This was carried by 9 in favour and 3 against.

RESOLVED: The Council accepts the 3.5% increase in the Precept as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Councillors in favour of the resolution: Cllr R Warman; Cllr Mrs A Warman; Cllr Mrs J House; Cllr C House; Cllr B Goringe; Cllr R Adkins; Cllr M Hockley; Cllr J Crow; Cllr R Dudman
Councillors against the resolution: Cllr N Hindmarch; Cllr R Bryan; Cllr M Dyer

446. Newsletter for Spring 2012 –

- i) Members agreed, unanimously, the cost of printing and distribution of £360. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr R Dudman.

RESOLVED: To approve the cost of £360 for printing and distribution of the newsletter.

Cllr R Warman and Cllr R Bryan were delegated to approve the content and final copy. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr B Goringe. This was agreed, with one abstention, Cllr Mrs A Warman.

RESOLVED: Cllr R Warman and Cllr R Bryan were delegated to approve the content and final copy of the Spring Newsletter 2012.

- ii) Content suggestions are requested by 8th February. Distribution will be during the last 2 weeks of March. Topics to be included are: a Chairman's report detailing the last year and including a full report on the background to the precept demand for 2012/2013; Footpath report and Councillor allocated roads information. Noted.

- 447. Annual Parish Meeting 18th April 2012** – The newsletter will include an invitation to the Electorate.

- 448. Village Hall Management Committee (VHMC):-** Minutes of the VHMC meeting held on 15th December 2011 had been emailed to Members and were noted.

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

1. Homewatch – No meeting
2. ETAG – A number of issues have been dealt with by this group and copies have been circulated to Members. The Council gave credit to the amount of work involved and in particular to the Chairmanship of Hilary Chittenden.
3. Youth Club – Cllr R Warman reported that staffing was under discussion, further information was awaited from County. A leak had been reported but since the gutter had been cleared out there did not appear to be any further water ingress. Cllr Dyer asked to be notified of all meetings, Cllr Warman reported that there had been very few meetings. A report will be requested for the next Council meeting.
4. PACT – Minutes of the meeting held on 23.01.12 had been circulated to Members by email. Noted. Cllr Mrs J House reported that trees had been an issue. An article will be compiled for the next newsletter. Speed checks will also be taking place shortly. PACT had also asked for their minutes to go on the Parish Council website.

5. DAPTC – Cllr Hindmarch & Cllr Dyer to report. The Eastern Area meeting is to be held on 31st January in the Annexe at the Village Hall. Any Member would be welcome.
6. Verwood Civic Reception 4.12.11 The Chairman reported that this was a most enjoyable event. The Clerk will write and thank the Verwood Chairman.

450. Consultations - Members reported:

- i) Neighbourhood planning regulations: Consultation: Cllr Mrs House has responded, emailed to Members. Noted.
- ii) Community Infrastructure Levy: Detailed proposals and draft regulations for reform – Consultation closing date: 30th December 2011. Cllr C House explained that this levy was from developers in recognition of development a Parish could be delegated to receive a levy sum. Noted.
- iii) Technical reforms of council tax: Consultation – Cllr R Bryan reported. After carefully reviewing the document Cllr Bryan was concerned that he had a potential personal and prejudicial interest and was not comfortable in submitting a response on behalf of the Council. A response was submitted but as a private citizen. Due to the tight timeframe there was insufficient time to be able to refer the consultation to another Member.

451. District Councillors' Update:

Cllr R Dudman reported: The Audit and Scrutiny Committee had received presentations on Planning and housing requirements.

Cllr M Dyer reported: Most of the work was currently concentrating on the LDF proposals and the Gypsy and Travellers Site Consultation. Landowners can put forward alternative sites during the consultation and it is Very important for the Council to decide what they are and are not going to support in this respect.

Cllr Mrs A Warman reported: The Electoral Review is about to begin, Cllr Mrs A Warman is on the panel, a report should be out in August.

124 Woolsbridge Road is to go on the 7th February agenda. A unilateral agreement has now been received, the lack of this was the only reason the original application was refused. For the Council to now refuse the same plan could result in huge costs if it subsequently went to appeal.

1A Ashley Drive North – Currently looking at this the recent alterations have resulted in a property which is totally out of keeping.

16 Peveril Close – This application has now gone to appeal. The District Council feels there is a strong case on the trees issue. Beehives have now been installed against the fence of a neighbour to the site and an Environmental Officer will be attending.

61B Ashley Drive South – It was suggested that Members may like to view the result of this development in respect of it's relationship to neighbouring properties.

452. A31 Mobility Issues –

- i) Letter sent to Health Minister, acknowledged and Health Department inform us that the land was transferred to Homes and Communities Agency they are liaising and locating a contact on our behalf. Noted
- ii) Letter to Mr Chope, MP sent. Mr Chope has written directly to Roads and Health Ministers requesting their assistance in facilitating our request. The Clerk reported receiving copies of the correspondence and replies which will be copied to Cllr Crow. Noted.

453. Electoral Review of East Dorset – Letter from EDDC advising of their request for an Electoral Review of the District. Briefing date for Parish and Town Councils will be arranged. Cllr Dyer reported that this may impact on this Parish. Noted.

454. LDF Meeting on 1st February 2012 – Members agreed that Cllr G Willetts would represent the Council. Proposed by Cllr J Crow, seconded by Cllr M Hockley.

RESOLVED: Cllr G Willetts will represent the Council at the LDF meeting on 1st February 2012.

The draft response compiled by the subcommittee had been circulated to Members with the agenda. This was discussed. The content was agreed with no amendment. Proposed by Cllr N Hindmarch, seconded by Cllr J Crow. Cllrs M Dyer and Cllr Mrs A Warman abstained from the vote, the rest were in favour of the response submitted.

RESOLVED: Cllr Willetts will present the Council's response as circulated to Members without deviation.

455. Gypsy and Traveller site consultation Document – Members received a draft response, a copy of which had been circulated with the agenda. This was discussed. It was agreed that the

Clerk will submit the response as circulated. Proposed by Cllr N Hindmarch, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House. Cllr M Dyer and Cllr Mrs A Warman abstained from the vote, the rest were in favour of the response submitted.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will submit the Council's response as circulated to Members.

456. Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee – The Clerk reported receipt of a response to our letter together with a copy of the minutes of the last meeting. The content was discussed. The matter will be put on the February agenda of the full Council for further discussion. It was agreed that the Council should be given direct membership as soon as possible, other Parishes have had direct representation for a number of years. The constitution appeared to have no mechanism for review.

457. Police Helicopter – Members to noted the response from Bournemouth Airport, Minute 365 refers. Cllr M Hockley disputed the facts stated. The matter will be put to the next meeting of the full Council.

458. Calendar of Meetings for 2013 – A draft schedule of meeting dates had been circulated to Members with the agenda. The Clerk reported that there may be some adjustment to avoid the expense of holiday cover. Members agreed to adopt the schedule. Proposed by Cllr C House, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Warman. Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: To adopt the schedule of meeting dates for 2013 as presented.

459. Localism Bill – A special information meeting has been arranged for 6th February, 2012, to receive a presentation on the Localism Bill by David Evans WDDC, 7pm Committee Room. This was discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk will invite all Members; two members from the Parish Plan Steering Group and to two named representatives from other Councils with land adjacent to this Parish. Proposed by Cllr N Hindmarch, seconded by Cllr M Dyer. Carried by 7 in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention.

RESOLVED: To invite two named representatives from other Councils with land adjacent to this Parish.

460. Exchange of information:

1. Next meeting – 29th February 2012
2. Cllr Mrs A Warman reported: Re: the Gypsy and Traveller Site consultation. Be aware that more sites will come forward which are not detailed in the consultation at present. There are a lot of rumours circulating and there is a possibility of a further consultation document.
3. The VHMC now has a new floor in the Annexe and lobby.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Chairman