

Minutes of a meeting of the Bere Regis Parish Council held in the Drax Hall, Bere Regis on Thursday 13th August 1998 at 7pm.

Present Mr.L.L.Street(Chairman), Messrs.A.R.Dunning, L.W.Fairhurst, D.R.Gibbs, R.S.James, C.Maunder, T.Maunder, M.S.Munro, Miss.S.J.Stone(To 8.35pm), and Mrs.J.Briggs (DCC from 7.16pm)

Apologies

98/296 An apology has been received from Mr.R.M.Griffin.

Minutes

98/297 Minutes 98/271 was altered to read £233.84 and a total of £994.83.
The minutes were then confirmed correct.

Play Area

98/298 No quote has been received from Mr.Mooney and Mr.Gibbs will speak to him.

Boardwalk

98/299 The repairs have been done.

Poole Hill Roundabout

98/300 The Clerk is to chase this matter.

34 West Street

98/301 The Clerk read the reply from Mr.Cobb.
This was noted and it was agreed that this matter was closed.

Chapel Lane

98/302 The area in the corner need tidying up quickly and nothing has been heard about the status of the path.
The Clerk is to write to the Estate regarding the delay in the dedication of the path, to point out the concern re the untidy corner saying if there is no reply by 15th September this will be dealt with.

Toilets

98/303 The District Council has written to say they have no budget to open and close the toilets and it is therefore not viable.

Site for New Village Hall

98/304 The sub-committee met Mr.Evans from the District Council and discussed the various options put forward.
Miss.Stone circulated a chart of the sites and the conditions that would apply to a good site.
After a long discussion it was agreed that the sub-committee should 1) Approach BT the exchange

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2) do a survey on the allotment site and 3) approach the RBL, Sports Club and Drax Hall Committee.

Path Rye Hill

98/305 The Clerk is to follow this up.

Motorbikes, Blackhill

98/306 There has been little use recently. The Clerk reported that there has been no application for a Bridleway open to all Traffic.

Speed Limit Rye Hill

98/307 Checks have been done here recently.

Blackhill Quarry

98/308 The Clerk is to write to Phoenix again.

Audit Check List

98/309 The Clerk had circulated the list together with comments.
It was agreed that this become part of the Standing Orders from September and including a timetable for quarterly checks starting in April.

Dog Licencing

98/310 This is a move to create a dog register. A vote was held and by 6 votes to 4 it was agreed not to support a move like this.

School Bus

98/311 Mrs. Briggs apologised for not dealing with this but would do so as soon as possible.

Millenium Celebrations

98/312 A tool kit has been received and Miss. Stone will look at this. If needed she will copy and circulate it with a copy for the carnival committee.

Millenium Green

98/313 Mr. Munro has a successful meeting with Ms. Lilley but there is a need for further discussion following views from local organisations over possible further vandalism. The feasibility of providing an area is good but running costs may prove a stumbling block. A reply is awaited about a grant and views of others. He has written to thank Ms. Lilley. This is to go on the agenda for the next meeting.

District Councillor's Report

98/314 White Papers have been received on Transport and Local Government.
Miss. Stone has attended a seminar on the running of Councils and there may be a change from the present committee system which will need to be decided on.

Central Government will be laying down rules and providing funding as long as Councils do as required. Miss.Stone is vice-chairman of a committee of all Councils in Dorset which is looking at this point. The Sandford by-pass is progressing and there is a meeting in October with the County Council. The by-pass part will go ahead with the Northport end staying as it is. The development at Holton Heath can go ahead. The Local Plan has been put back to the new year and there is concern as it will be two years old. Councils are also working on Community Safety and Health Plans which can work together.

County Councillor's Report

98/315 The Transport White Paper has been received and this includes the detrunking of the A31 west of Ferndown this means the County Council will be responsible for it's upkeep. The County is lucky to get the Tolpuddle /Puddletown by-pass. There has been no alteration, from the draft document, to the Local Government White Paper. No online improvements will be made at Northport until the County can see what will happen. The Health Plan involves doctors from Wool to Blandford and crosses Council boundaries. There is a crime problem at Bovington which may come to Bere Regis. Social Services is looking at the future of rest homes. There has been a proposal, from the public, to build 900 houses at Redbridge. Mr.Mauder wished for this Council's thanks to be recorded for Mrs.Brigg's prompt action to help with the flooding at April Cottage, Southbrook.

Period For Public Participation

98/316 5 parishioners were present. One said the bushes near the sign, warning of the play area, need trimming. A long discussion took place on the recycling bins and a suitable site. There have been complaints from other Councils. An item is to go in the Parish Magazine asking for suggestions and the Clerk is to write suggesting an area east of the pump house at Court Farm and one just past the filling station copies are to go to Mrs.Briggs and Miss.Stone.

Finance

98/317 The following accounts were presented for payment:

	£	p
Mr.Lewis cemetery	15.00	
Mr.Mooney cuts cty/play area & fence	570.00	
Dorset Bldg Pres Trust ..subscriptions	10.00	
Clerk's salary	<u>177.00</u>	
Total		<u>772.00</u>

After a discussion re the fence in the cemetery, when it was agreed to leave it as it is, it was agreed to pay these accounts.

The Financial and Budget Statements for July 1998 were accepted.

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The Clerk presented the Accounts for 1997/98 which were accepted.

Best Kept Village Competition

98/318 The prizegiving is on 10th September.

Speed Limit Rye Hill

98/319 This has been put on the Traffic Management Programme for investigation in due course.

Weed Growth on Highways

98/320 The Clerk read a letter from the District Council to the County Council. They get a lot of complaints about weeds and are asking for clarification of the situation and confirmation that this is a highway responsibility.

Dorset Building Preservation Trust

98/321 The AGM is on 7th September.

DAPTC

98/322 There are seminars for Councillor Training, Budgets and Finance and Planning.

For Circulation

98/323 Linkrider Timetable, The Purbeck Countryside Guide, Purbeck Heritage, Purbeck View, PDC Bulletin, BP Seismic Survey Wareham Area, Emergency Planning Newsletter No 20 and minutes of the Clerks/District Council liaison meeting.

Defects

98/324 The Clerk is to deal with the following: Light 17 Southbrook on all day, trees near the scout hut and at the other end of the area need thinning, drains on Rye Hill need clearing, the grass on The Cross and the bushes between The Old Stables and the Council ones need cutting.

Planning

98/324 Results

98/303 Mr. Bloomfield install 4 openings in Chamberlaynes Mill.
Permission granted.

98/308 Mercury Personal Comms. Erect 25m radio mast at Woodbury Hill Farm.
Deferred pending erection of a trial mast for assessment and receipt of further information concerning the surrounding woodland.

98/325 cont

Results

98/388 Morden Estate Co. Replace temporary office with wooden chalet as office/clubhouse. Permission granted.

98/422 Margram Plc. Renewal of permission for a restaurant at Cow Drove. Permission granted.

Cemetery

98/326 The corrugated iron needs moving and the grass needs cutting.
Mr.Dunning is to liaise with the Foresters on the siting of the seat and they would like a small ceremony to mark the handing over.
Additional inscriptions for Mrs.Perrott and Mr.Standfield were approved.

Trees

98/327 Mr.Dunning has completed the survey for the Woodland Society.
Permission has been granted for the felling of a tree at 8 White Lovington. This is to be replaced and the new tree will be subject to the existing Tree Preservation Order.

Parish Magazine

98/328 Items to go in are sites for the recycling bins, Millennium Tool Kit and the village hall.

Rights of Way

98/329 Mr.Crookall has not been able to find any further information and what is needed is evidence of use.
The Clerk is to get this together and to write to thank Mr.Crookall for his work.

Drax Hall

98/330 Oh Mr.Porter is to be presented on 1st October.

School Governor

98/331 The pool is being used.

08/17/57

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08/18/57 Northern Lumber Co. replace temporary office with wooden shales in office building. Permission granted.

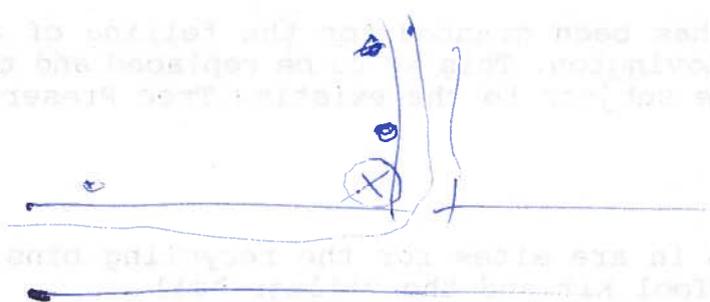
08/21/57 Northern Lumber Co. removal of permission for a restaurant on Oak Drive. Permission granted.

08/22/57

08/22/57 The contractor from needs moving and the glass needs cutting. Mr. Manning is to liaise with the Forestry on the moving of the seat and they would like a small ceremony to mark the handing over. Additional instructions for Mr. Manning and Mr. Crockett were given.

08/23/57

08/23/57 In planning the completed the survey for the Woodland Society. Information has been given for the felling of a tree at E. White Lough. The tree is replaced and the new tree will be replanted. The preservation of the tree.



08/24/57

08/24/57 There is to be a site for the recycling plant. Mr. Crockett has been given the site.

08/25/57

08/25/57 Mr. Crockett has not been able to find any further information and what is needed is evidence of the site. The clerk is to get this together and to give to Mr. Crockett for his work.

08/26/57

08/26/57 On Mr. Crockett is to be granted an act of law.

08/27/57

08/27/57 The pool is being used.

Notes from a meeting of representatives of the Bere Regis Parish Council, the British Legion, Drax Hall Committee and Bere Regis Sports Club held in the Drax Hall on Monday 7th September 1998.

Present Four councillors, one from the British Legion, two each from the Drax Hall and Sports Club.

Apologies Mr. Steele from the British gave his apologies.

Site for a new village hall/community centre

It was explained that the Local Plan included the provision of a site for a new village hall and that there was a need to identify a site so it could be included.

Mr. Munro produced a report on several different sites as follows:

1. At the southern end of the existing recreation ground
2. Land east of the school
3. Land south of the Bere stream including the Moor
4. Court green
5. The open space east of Butt Lane already designated an open space on the Local Plan
6. Land along Dark Lane
7. Land at the western end of West Street
8. The telephone exchange

Shitterton, Pig Farm →

Each of these was discussed and the following comments noted:

1. This would be suitable but there would be problems with access.
2. This was ruled out because of the planners opinion that it did not fall within a designated area for development, the school would not be in favour and that it would be expensive because of the earthwork that would be needed to provide the best use of the area.
3. This would only provide a hall and car park but could be linked with the village with a bridge over the stream.
4. It was felt that this would be ideal and could be extended to include the allotments. However as it is the site of an ancient monument permission was not likely to be given.
5. This would have difficulties for access by car and used development land which would have to be replaced from other open space areas which would cause problems.
6. This was felt to distant for community use is close to the conservation area and would be a hall and car park.
7. Very similar to 6.
8. This was very central but was felt to possibly be too small.

The British Legion representative explained that the branch would not be able to continue it's charity work without the support of the club which would need bar facilities as would the Sports Club.

A long discussion took place about the type of hall that could be provided and the feeling was that was a need for a larger hall that could be partitioned to provide a smaler area if need with a kitchen, bar, changing rooms, and smaller rooms. This would be longterm and would take probably 10 years to come to fruition. With changes in legislation the life of the Drax Hall will be limited. I t appears from a redeipt that Mr.Maunders has found that the Drax Hall belongs to the Parish Council.

Other sites were mentioned such as using the allotment site at Court Green and having an underpass to link it to the recreation ground.

The use of part of the land, by the filling station, designated for an industrial area was put forward but it was felt that access via an industrial estate was offputting.

Finally a site opposite the British Legion was put forward. This would use part of the land earmarked for development. The whole site would then go from west of North Street across to the recreation ground and would involve the demolition of the British Legion building. It may also be possible, if this site was used to sell the Sports Club building and raise more revenue.

It had been stressed that a) there was a need to identify a site and b) that these feelings were of those people at the meeting. They would have to speak to their own organisations for more views. The organisations would need to be in favour before this could be put to the village as a whole.

There was a general agreement that the North Street site was the one to pursue.