

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Bere Regis Parish Council held in the Drax Hall, Bere Regis on Thursday 13th May 1999 at 7pm.

Present Mr.L.L.Street(Chairman), Messrs.A.R.Dunning, L.W. Fairhurst, D.R.Gibbs, R.M.Griffin, R.S.James, C.Maunder, T.Maunder(from 7.20) and Miss.S.J.Stone.

Apologies

99/150 Apologies have been recieved from Messrs.M.S.Munro, T.Maunder(who will be late) and Mrs.J.Briggs(DCC).

Election of Chairman

99/151 Mr.L.L.Street was proposed and seconded by Messrs.Gibbs and James. There being no other nominations he was duly elected.

Election of Vice-chairman

99/152 Mr.R.M.Griffin was proposed by and seconded by Messrs. Gibbs and Fairhurst. There being no other nominations he was duly elected.

Election of Committees & Representatives on other bodies.

Cemetery	Miss S.Stone and Messrs.Griffin,T.Maunder.
Site Inspectors	Miss.Stone and Messrs.Gibbs and C.Maunder.
Trees	Messrs.Dunning and Munro.
Parish Magazine	Mr.C.Maunder.
Rights of Way	Messrs.Dunning, Fairhurst, T.Maunder and Munro.
Public Transport	Mr.C.Maunder.
Charities	Mr.Gibbs
Youth & Playgroup	Mr.James.
Archaeology	Mr.Dunning
Crime Prevention	Mr.C.Maunder.
Drax Hall	Mr.C.Maunder.
School Governor	Mr.Munro.
Environment	Mr.Munro.
Purbeck Area DAPTC	Mr.James

Mr.Munro will be asked to confirm the above as soon as possible.

Minutes of the last meeting

99/153 The Minutes were confirmed correct.

Play Area

- 99/154 The RoSPA check is to be done soon.
Lappsett have written to say they have not done the repairs yet and because of this they suggest delaying the next inspection until September and the work will be done in June.
This was agreed.

Chapel Lane

- 99/155 The work has been half done here and gravel has been put down but is being spread along the path. Tarmac would be better.

Highways

- 99/156 The Clerk read the reply from the County Council regarding yellow backboards. The advice at present is not to use them as they distract drivers.
As there is a bypass round Tolpuddle and Puddletown could the backboards there be moved to Bere Regis.
The Clerk is also to write to ask if the 30mph signs, at the bottom of Rye Hill, could be moved to the top.

Boardwalk

- 99/157 There has been no reply and the Clerk is to follow this up.
It has been much improved by the recent work.

Millennium Mugs

- 99/158 Mr.T.Maunder is still looking for these because to date the minimum order is for 500.

Cinemobile

- 99/159 Mr.Walklley will attend the June meeting.

Millennium Celebrations

- 99/160 An item is to go in the parish magazine to ask for ideas and this matter will be discussed again after the Period for Public Participation.

District Councillor's Report

- 99/161 The Council is now under Conservative control and the debate is going on about the new structure. Miss.Stone is on the Scrutiny Group.
There are 9 new members so it is very interesting time as four of the Scrutiny Group are new councillors.
Mr.C.Maunder congratulated Miss.Stone on being elected but felt his vote supported his views on a site for the village hall.
Miss.Stone gave a more detailed rundown of the work of the groups on the District Council. All meetings will be monthly and will discuss things more fully. Hopefully the new system will be quicker.

Period for Public Participation

- 99/162 Two people were present. Mr.Brown raised the matter of difficulties for Brats in booking the Drax Hall.

After a discussion it was agreed that Mr.C.Maunders will try to resolve this with Brats.

One lady spoke about the item, in the parish magazine, asking for suggestion as to how to celebrate the Millennium.

After a long discussion it was agreed that there should be a small sub-committee set up to look into this and to meet representatives of local organisations to discuss this.

It was agreed that this committee be Miss.Stone and Messrs.T & C.Maunders with Mrs.Whitfield being coopted on. The Clerk is to write to the organisations asking for ideas.

The number of mugs, if purchased, would be for the committee to decide.

Finance

99/163 The following accounts were presented for payment:

	f	p
Mr.Lewis cemetery	16.00	
Mr.Mooney grass cutting	265.00	
Norwich Union insurance	363.37	
DAPTC subscriptions	310.73	
Petty cash	25.00	
Clerk's salary etc	211.00	
Total	1191.10	

It was agreed that these be paid.

The Financial Statements and Budgets for March and April 1999 were accepted.

The accounts for 1998/9 were signed by the Chairman and the full accounts will be presented at a future meeting.

The clerk informed the Council that an informal audit was being held prior to the proper audit.

There have been bank charges because of the cheques that were drawn for the Drax Hall, on Sunday 28th March, which the Clerk had not transferred funds before he went on holiday on 29th.

Car Park

99/164 The Clerk read two letters of complaint regarding the use of the car park by youths, who cause a problem, and also the state of the toilets. One included an offer to the District Council to open and close the toilets for them.

The Clerk is to send copies to the police asking for more patrols in this area and also to the District Council repeating the request for the closure of the toilets for the night.

Housing Seminar

99/165 This is on May 27th but no one will attend.

Traffic Management Plan

99/166 This includes the extension of the Rye Hill speed limit.

Community Safety

- 99/167 This includes a Community Kiosk that could be used at local events. Details could be sent to the school.

Drax Arms

- 99/168 There were no objections to the application for a transfer of the Licence.

Purbeck Local Plan

- 99/169 A revised draft has been prepared which includes a definite site for a village hall on the sports club/British Legion site, a site for a new surgery and the open space being dedicated in perpetuity. The Clerk is to obtain copies for each councillor.

County Structure Plan

- 99/170 A further modification is the deletion of the Sandford/Northport by-pass.

Lower Woodbury Cross

- 99/171 The tyravellers are expected to move soon after the birth of a baby.

Open Spaces Society

- 99/172 The Clerk read details of this group and it was decided not to join.

DAPTC

- 99/173 Details have been received of a Clerk's and Chairman's training days.

For Circulation

- 99/174 Celebrating Dorset, Purbeck Forum Minutes, Connect Highway, Confluence News, Lottery News, Listen In, Community News, Campaign for Warm Homes Bill and DAPTC Newsletter.

Defects

- 99/175 Gravel is being kicked off of the paths by the bungalows in Elder Road and the grass south of Elder Road has been cut into paths as was expected but a second cut has removed most of the grass and in areas has even cut into the soil. The Clerk is to write about these matters.

Planning

99/176 Results

- 99/141 Mr.Pitman Glenayr Poole Road erect a pergola. Permission granted.
- 99/093 Mr.Smith Forest Gate Bere Heath erect an extension. Permission refused this with an earlier extension would disproportionately extend the bungalow.

- 99/009 SITA extend use of site at Puddletwon Road, for landfill, until 31.12.2002.
Permission granted.

Applications

- 99/203 MoD New turning circle on Puddletown Road.
No objection.
- 99/258 Mr.Legg The Old Mill, West Street. Use former mill for retail sale and storage of antiques. Object on the grounds that the Council is concerned about the lack of parking for visitors.
- 99/259 Mrs.Burden Springfield Southbrook. Replace garage.
No objection.
- 99/262 Mr.Azzaro 5 Rye Hill Close. Erect 2 storey extension at the side.
No objection.
- 99/317 Mrs.Macintosh 12 Turberville Road. Use garage for sugaring practice.
No objection.
- 99/319 Mr.Draycott Sitterton House. Replace dormers and flat roofs with pitched roofs.
No objection.

Cemetery

- 99/177 The cemetery looks quite good.
Mr.Maunder thinks the new seat need repainting and Mr.Lewis is to be asked to look at this and the branches at the top left.
The Clerk is to look at the grave at the top which has now got a memorial including a raised edging around it.

Trees

- 99/178 Pruning is needed on a sycamore, south of Southbrook House, which hangs over the pavement. The hedges at Lys Cottages needs attention and the boardwalk needs checking for overhanging branches.

Parish Magazine

- 99/179 Items to go in are: Millennium Committee, problems in the car park and Bere in Bloom.

Rights of Way

- 99/180 The Clerk has sent a map with a narrower line for the track at Yearlings.
The bridleway at map reference 875947 is very badly rutted and is difficult to pass. The Clerk is to write to Morden Estates Company about this.

Charities

99/181 At a meeting three weeks ago the Trust made grants of £3,000 to individuals. The fund is in a very good condition.

Drax Hall

99/182 The Committee is to purchase some new chairs and a copy of the annual accounts was passed to the Clerk. Mr.C.Maunder then gave a report from the Pop in Group which is doing a good job. The need for the hall to have in place, access for the disabled, by 2004 means the end of the hall as lack of funds does not exclude an organisation from these rules. Miss.Stone suggested that now was the time to take the initiative and start a consultation period. It was agreed to hold a meeting on June 29th with addresses from Mr.C.Maunder and Miss.Stone who will work out an agenda for the meeting. Miss.Stone will try to get some facilities that could help.