

Bere Regis Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual meeting of Bere Regis Parish Council held on Thursday 14th May 2009 at 7pm.

PRESENT Councillors L W Fairhurst, J George, K Nurrish, C Maunder, T Maunder, J Parsons (Chairman), J Pitts, I Ventham, M Shakesby (DCC) and Mr J Ruddock (Clerk).

Presentation

Mr A Kent and Mr A Duncanson gave a presentation on the future plans of the Sports Club. The main priority now is to raise sufficient funds to enable the plans to be implemented in phases.

9/056 Apologies

Apologies have been received from Councillors M Munro and P Wharf (who has the PDC Annual Meeting to attend).

09/057 Period for Public Participation

Four parishioners were present. Mrs Woodward thanked Councillor Parsons for all his hard work during his three years as Chairman.

09/058 Election of Chairman

Councillor Parsons proposed Councillor I Ventham. This was seconded by Councillor George and there being no other nominations he was duly elected. Councillor Parsons then verbally resigned from the Council. The new Chairman thanked Mr Parsons for all he had done and then laid out his priorities for the next three years which is the maximum time he would be prepared to serve as Chairman. These included being more proactive over planning, presenting the village better in terms of signage and tidiness and trying to create a stronger sense of community by working more closely with village organisations and clubs.

09/059 Election of Vice-chairman

The Chairman proposed Councillor L Fairhurst. This was seconded by Councillor George and there being no other nominations he was duly elected.

09/060 Minutes of the last meeting.
Minute 09/055 was amended as agreed.
The minutes were then confirmed correct.

09/061 Matters Arising

08/128 (benches) Councillor T Maunder reported that Councillor Munro is still waiting to find a site.

09/037 (zebra crossing visibility) Councillor Shakesby stated signs were in place and it was clearly a zebra crossing. If necessary it could be looked at again. This was agreed

09/062 Planning

As planning application 6/2009/0195 to erect a grain store at Roke Farm was a minor application the Planning Working Party had made a decision via email. Its recommendation of no objection was agreed. This was proposed by Councillor C Maunder and seconded by Councillor Fairhurst.

09/063 Play Park

This matter has not yet been discussed and is to go on the agenda for the next meeting.

09/064 Purbeck Heritage Strategy

There was very little to affect Bere Regis. Councillor Fairhurst proposed there be no comment, this was seconded by Councillor C Maunder and agreed.

CLERK

09/065 Sustainable Local Spending

It was agreed that this report would create more beurocracy.

09/066 County Councillors Report

Councillor Shakesby stated that DCC had made a lot of progress on a method of reporting overgrown hedges etc which would involve a triplicate report book. Hopefully this will be finalised soon.

St Aldhems Quarry is looking to dispose of large pieces of stone and may even work on them for signs.

09/067 Finance

Councillor C Maunder proposed that the expenditure for May 2009 and the Budget and Financial Statement for April be approved. This was seconded by Councillor Fairhurst and agreed.

09/068 Correspondence

Of the correspondence received the following was discussed.

It was agreed to write to the agents of Shell UK to chase up the repairs to the Road between the filling station and industrial estate.

CLERK

A letter of support, for the proposal to plant bulbs on the verge opposite Rye Hill Close is to go to the WI.

CLERK

Councillor C Maunder agreed to attend Purbeck DAPTC meetings. CLERK

09/069 Defects

Road signs need repair or putting back in place at Boswells Close and Southbrook Contact Purbeck District Council. CLERK

Road signs on Poole Hill and Rye Hill near the school are being obscured By trees and bushes. Write to Dorset County Council. CLERK

The Clerk is to find out prices for dog bins needed at Butt Lane and Rye Hill.

Rubbish is being dumped on the land south of Elder Road on land it was thought to be owned by Mr Lockyer. The Chairman will look into this. IV

09/070 Any other business

Mr Shave needs a plastic bin for rubbish. Councillor George has one he can have. JG

Councillor Nurrish reported from PACT that there is some graffiti on the Youth shelter.

The Police can't prosecute for parking on double yellow lines unless the driver refuses to move on.

Litter at the footbridge and problems with the recycling bins are being dealt with.

PACT is to go on the agenda as a permanent item. CLERK

There has been a comment that the proximity of the recycling bins to the wall is giving youths a chance to jump off into the BT property or into the electricity sub station. The Clerk will write to M Goater and Jan Dutton of PDC. CLERK

The Council acknowledged Councillor Pitts resignation which will take affect from after the November 2009 meeting.

Ian Ventham
Chairman

Actions to be taken forward

Prices for dog bins (Clerk)

Road signs repairs (Clerk with PDC)

Obscured signs (Clerk with DCC)

Rubbish dumped at Elder Road (IV)

Recycling bins forming jump off point (Clerk with PDC)

Road at filling station (Clerk with Shell)

Bin for Mr Shave (JG)