

Minutes of a meeting of the Bere Regis Parish Council held in the Drax Hall, Bere Regis on Wednesday, 23rd January 1985 at 7 p.m.

Present:-

Mr. E.W. Fairhurst (Chairman)	Mr. T. Mooney
Mr. S.P. Cox	Mr. M.J. Shave
Mr. D.R. Gibbs	Mrs M. Carlyle
Mr. G.N. Griffin	Mrs D.M. Phillips
Mr. M. Bond (County Councillor)	

APOLOGIES

3885 Apologies for absence from the meeting have been received from Messrs. R.J. Goldie, R.C.W. Gooch, L.L. Street and V. Stone (District Councillor).

MINUTES

3886 Minute 3873 was altered to read

"The District Council has received an application from Lytchett Minster School"

The minutes were then confirmed correct and signed as such by the Chairman.

TRAFFIC IN BERE REGIS

3887 The Clerk had received a reply from the County Council noting this Council's comments and saying they would deal with the surface water problem at the western end of the village when they made the alterations permanent. With the Chairman's permission the Clerk had written to repeat this Council's feelings on the alterations and that the money would be better spent at The Cross. A reply has been received saying that the contents of this letter have been noted. Mr. Bond pointed out that there was a lack of ideas for a remedy and there would be a shortage of funds but considering the saving of monies at the western end of the village he agreed to take this matter up with the County Surveyor.

A letter has been received from the Congregational Church commenting on the traffic coming off the by-pass into Butt Lane, the problems in the road and the lack of lighting. It was agreed that Mr. Shave would approach Mr. Finding to ascertain his views on keeping the gate locked. The Clerk would write to the County Council about the potholes and would inform Rev. Healey of these decisions.

Mr. Shave reported that there have been several accidents at the by-pass roundabout one of which had damaged a farmer's fencing which could release stock onto the road. It was felt that nothing could be done because the cause was felt to be bad driving, but the Clerk would write about the broken "keep left" bollard.

CIVIL AID

3888 The Committee has not yet had a meeting.

DRAX HALL

- 3889 The matters of the Entertainment Licence and grants are well in hand. It is understood that the County Council have agreed to make the 50% grant and require confirmation of the District Council's grant. This is now awaiting a letter from the District Council.

ROAD SIGN

- 3890 Milborne St. Andrew Parish Council have discussed the Roke Road bridge and cannot support this Council because they feel that the problem is not the bridge, but careless driving. It was agreed that this should not be pursued any further.

STREET LIGHTS

- 3891 Websters have sent a bill for works done on the lights outside 31 West Street, Church Cottages, Southbrook, opposite Sitterton Close and outside Westhay, West Street which have been repaired. The Clerk has queried this bill because there are three lamp replacements which he had been told would be done in January 1985 and one fault mentioned for the other two lights at Shitterton is fault at group control and he has asked what this means. The light outside 31 West Street has failed again and the light outside the Drax Arms remains out. It was agreed to await the contractor's reply about the lamp replacements before taking this further. The light at the end of Green Close and one at the end of Rye Hill Close are both failing to work properly. The Clerk is to write to the County Council as they own the lights.

VILLAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

- 3892 This is not progressing as quickly as was hoped, but the Chairmen would try to arrange matters at the end of the meeting.

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

- 3893 The fencing of the tree at The Moor has not yet been done because of the weather.

VILLAGE BENCHES

- 3894 A person has agreed to do the work and the District Council have agreed to the suggestion for a seat at Turberville Court, but advised contacting the warden about the place for the seat.

COMMUNITY CONCERN

- 3895 Miss Frampton paid £27.61 for the paper for Yellow Pages and has received a total of £15 from other village organisations. It was agreed to pay the £12 requested.

HOLLOW OAK

- 3896 Nothing to report.

14 NORTH STREET

- 3897 Still for sale.

HYDE RESERVOIR ROAD

3898 The signpost at Chapel Cross still needs adjusting.

BERE REGIS SCHOOL

3899 The Clerk is to arrange a meeting to discuss the Richard Goldie Award.

He has received a reply from the County Education Officer saying that Bere Regis School is well below the size that requires a full time caretaker and although they have every sympathy with Mr. Lambert under the present financial climate they have to make cuts wherever they can. They pointed out that there would be no loss of extra curricular activities such as adult education or swimming. It is understood that Mr. Lambert has been offered early retirement or redundancy. It was agreed that the reply had been full and reasonable and that given the circumstances this Council could do no more.

BERE ROAD INDUSTRIAL PARK

3900 Formerly the Townsend Industrial Estate, it has been heard that building will start soon.

ELDER ROAD/SOUTHBROOK

3901 There is nothing to report on the trees. Mr. Shave spoke to Mr. Watts about the stream and was asked what had happened about the fence that had been promised between site 88 and the cress beds. The Clerk agreed to look into this point.

EGDON CLOSE

3902 Nothing to report on the fence.

BRIDLEWAY 1 EAST STOKE/16 BERE REGIS

3903 Nothing to report.

YOUTH CLUB

3904 Nothing to report.

HYDE WOODS

3905 The Forestry Commission have cleared areas 40 feet wide on either side of the gravel track that runs past Hyde Lodge. It is understood that the rhododendrons will all be killed off and the area grassed down. Mr. Shave thought that the Forestry Commission owned this land and agreed to confirm this.

LOCAL TRUSTS

3906 A letter has been received from the Rev. Shaw asking for nominative trustees. It was agreed that those would be the Chairman and one other to be elected at the Parish Council's Annual Meeting in May.

96 NORTH STREET

3907 No reply has been received from the Drax Hall Committee. Mr. Cox agreed to make enquiries.

ROKE ROAD

3908 The gravel is still there and the Clerk is to write to the County Council again.

DARK LANE

3909 The Clerk apologised for having given the County Council the wrong information and he will write again. The County Rights of Way Officer suggested purchasing O.S. map SY 89/99.

LAND SOUTH OF ELDER ROAD

3910 There has been no reply from the District Council.

INSURANCE

3911 There have been no replies.

STILE AT THE MOOR

3912 Due to the bad weather this has not yet been done.

BERE STREAM

3913 Mr. Shave got the impression from Mr. Watts that something would be done about the weed because in the long term the cress beds would suffer, but it may take a little time. The tree is still in the river holding up the weed. It was agreed to find out who owned the land.

ACCOUNTS

3914 The following accounts were presented for payment:-

		£.p
R. Joyce	- Cemetery Maintenance	6.00
R. Pashen	- Street Cleaning	36.00
Purbeck District Council	- $\frac{1}{2}$ year rates	19.21
Wessex Water	- Dec. '84 Quarter	2.75
Dorset Community Council	- Minutes	1.72
S.E.B.	- Supply Dec. '84 Qtr	83.98
Anglebury-Bartlett	- Stencils	7.78
S. Frampton	- Yellow Pages	12.00
Clerks Salary/Expenses		54.00
	Total	223.44

It was agreed that these accounts be paid and the cheques drawn at the end of the meeting.

D.A.P. & T.C.

3915 The December newsletter has been received and circulated. Other items received were notes concerning Town & Country information network, Village Ventures, Village Appraisals, the A.G.M. minutes, Blue Van information, training courses and 1984/85 audit which would be in October 1985.

DORCHESTER BY-PASS

3916 The Department of Transport have sent details of the statement, to be made at the inquiry, by their representative together with a statement of the Government's policy for trunk roads.

/CEMETERY

CEMETERY BUSINESS

3917 This has not been inspected recently due to the weather.

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

3918 1 Parishioner was present and he was not happy with the doctors reply to the Council because it did not answer the question put to them. He also asked councillors to suggest the Y.T.S. to unemployed youngsters in the village, especially now unemployment is on the increase.

Mr. Gibbs circulated copies of the balance sheet for Dr. Benjafield's retirement. A copy will be put in the Post Office.

ESTIMATES

3919 The Clerk presented his estimates for 1985/86 which were discussed by the Council.

Street Lighting

It was agreed to precept for £150.

Burial Account

Mrs. Phillips declared an interest in the matter of the maintenance. It was agreed to accept Mr. Phillips' quote for £110 per cut and £65 for the paths. The precept of £300 was agreed.

Repair Fund

This had been set up to deal with the cemetery wall. Now this was being dealt with by M.S.C. the cost would be reduced and it was agreed to precept £600.

General Account

The Clerk left the room while his salary and expenses were discussed. It was agreed to increase his salary by £50 making a total of £700. The revised precept of £1550 was then agreed.

The above precepts make a total of £2500 to which has to be added a deficit of £644 with the District Council. This will mean a rate in the pound of 2.5p compared with 2.7p for 1984/85.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

3920 There was no report.

PLANNING MATTERS

<u>3921</u>	<u>Plan No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Developments</u>
	84/820	Mr. Eastment - Use woodshed at 46 West Street for storing electrical goods and occasional workshop	Permission granted. Use to end 31.12.87
	84/841	Frank Wyatt & Son Ltd. - Erect a bungalow adj. Forge Cottage, Rye Hill	Permission granted

PLANNING MATTERS (CONT'D)

3921 (cont'd)

<u>Plan No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Developments</u>
84/760 (70)	Mr. & Mrs. McNabb - Use building to produce animal food at Lincoln Farm	A site meeting was held recently. Mr. McNabb gave details of the proposed working of the business. Thought smell would not be worse than the 5000 hens previously kept there

The following planning applications have been received for consideration:-

<u>Plan No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Observations</u>
84/893	S.E.B. - Erect 11KV O/H cable at Lakey Hill Golf Club	No objections
84/873	Mrs. C. Jarvis - Erect a pole shelter for horse at The Paddock, Lower Hill	No objections
84/912	Wessex Water - Erect a cylindrical steel tank at Southbrook Pumping Station	No objection but would request that the tank be screened by the replanting of shrubs

CHRISTMAS TREE

3922 Mr. Shave has been offered a 12 foot Norwegian Spruce and would donate it to the Parish if a site could be found for it where it could be lit up at Christmas. It was agreed to think about this over the next few months.

DAMAGED PAVEMENTS

3923 The recent bad weather has caused damage to both pavements and road surfaces. It was agreed to leave this until the full extent is known, except where it was proving a danger. It was agreed to write to the County Council about the surface in the road at School Hill. While writing it was agreed to ask if the grit provided at Shitterton could be placed either on the left hand side of the road or behind the seat at Podgers.