

Minutes of a meeting of the Bere Regis Parish Council held in the Drax Hall, Bere Regis on Thursday 14th March 2002 at 7.25pm

Present Messrs L L Street (Chairman), P J Fysh, D R Gibbs, R S James (from 7.40), C Maunder, M S Munro, P Wharf. and M Shakesby (DCC from 8.10).

Apologies

02/063 Apologies have been received from Messrs A R Dunning, L Fairhurst, R M Griffin and T Maunder. MR M Shakesby will be late.

Minutes of the last meeting

02/064 Minute 02/037 was altered to read Mr R Miller. The minutes were then confirmed correct.

Community Wardens

02/065 The scheme will be formally launched on 7th May at the Purbeck Sports Centre. The Police have written asking if a base can be found in the parish. None at present except Turberville Court. Looking longterm a contact point in all villages would be a good thing. Mr C Maunder agreed to be this Council's representative on the Local Steering Group.

Conservation Appraisal

02/066 Mr Fysh met Mr Sturgess and confirms that the District Council cannot afford the services of Bournemouth University. Ms Ryan has said she may be able to provide a base map to assist Mr Sturgess with the appraisal. This needs to be done by May for a draft report in June to link with the Inspector's report which is due in mid August. Mr Sturgess will be meeting English Heritage and other conservation specialists in the county. Mr Fysh assured Mr Sturgess that this Council will play it's part but it needs to be done correctly.

Dog Bins

02/067 These are on order.

Play Area

02/068 There has been a report of a lot of broken glass there which was cleared by the person who reported it. Little can be done except to clear it up when found. It was agreed to put up a notice that vandals will be prosecuted. Mr Mooney has various items he wishes to discuss on site and the Clerk will meet him.

Queen's Jubilee

02/069 The Pop in Place has written regarding their project which is a welcome pack for the village. Mr Wharf is having an input as District Councillor and possibly this Council could as well. It was agreed to donate £200 towards the expenses.

Travellers

02/070 The County Council has replied to say it's solicitors are dealing with those for the travellers and court action is anticipated shortly. It was agreed to write and ask to be kept informed of progress on a weekly basis.

District Councillor's Report

02/071 A Leisure Bus run by the DCA, which travels to and from the Purbeck Sports Centre is to have new routes which includes Bere Regis. This will be on a Wednesday evening. There is a working group meeting on 21st March and Mr C Maunder will attend.

Mr Wharf will leave details of Mr R James talk to Wool about the Community Wardens.

There is a proposed amendment to the new Code of Conduct to include disclosure of membership of private clubs. Mr James reported that the DAPTC meeting felt this code was a sledgehammer to crack a nut. Mr Fysh felt it would prevent a lot of people from becoming parish councillors.

The Council meeting on 26th February approved a motion in support of the request for a judicial review over the Trigon Landfill site decision. This Council agreed to support this as well.

The District's Council Tax is going up by 8.9% which keeps services for 2002/3 the same as for 2001/2.

On the matter of the forthcoming elections Mr Wharf has been told that if there is not a quorum of five the District Council will appoint councillors until the Council is filled.

Finance

02/072 The following accounts were presented for payment:

	£	p
Mr F Lewis cemetery	18.00	
Purbeck CAB donation	50.00	
Bere Regis PCC churchyard	300.00	
Drax Hall Committee hall hire	150.00	
Ragamuffins donation	250.00	
Dorset Building Preservation Tr subs	5.00	
J M Ruddock stationery	13.84	
Clerk's salary etc	232.00	
Total	1018.84	

It was agreed to pay these accounts.

There is a payment, by direct debit on 2nd April. Of £434.20 for the loan and the Rates for the cemetery will be paid by direct debit £15.72 in April and then £12 per month May to January.

The Budget and Financial Statement for February were accepted and finally the Audit of accounts for the year to 31st March 2001 is on 22nd April.

Grit Bin

02/073 The County Council said the bin went missing when work was being done on Lys Cottages. County will source a bin but this Council will have to pay for it. The Clerk is to enquire about the cost.

Code of Conduct

02/074 The District Council is to discuss a change on 20th March.

Illegal Wildlife Poisoning

02/075 DEFRA has written about the government's campaign to the poisoning of wildlife. The Clerk will put up a poster.

County Councillor's Report

02/076 Mr Shakesby spoke about the problem with travellers. He also reported on the ill-feeling he has noticed at parish council meetings regarding the new Code of conduct. He urged people to stand despite this as he was concerned about the future and that this could be a start to county councils to form regional assemblies. Yearlings Bottom has been confirmed as a byway for all traffic. He then raised the matter of a proposal from SITA to use a pit at Puddletown Road to recycle waste by sorting and then crushing any glass. East Stoke Parish Council is concerned about the amount of traffic it would generate. Mr Shakesby asked if this council would support East Stoke. It was pointed out that there was a shortage of sites for landfill and that this would help to solve this problem. Others shared the concern. It was agreed to support East Stoke by a vote of 3 for, 2 against and one abstention.

Village Hall

02/077 Planning Officers say the site is outside the Village Development Line and because of this any planning application could be called in. The Development Line is not clear and could be affected by the Inquiry decision. The District Council would like to see a full planning application before the guidelines are defined. This would need the services of an architect, structural engineer, drainage engineer, design engineer and an tree specialist. The cost of this would be high and Mr C Maunder proposed that this Council raises a £30,000 loan to meet the costs. Funds coming in later would meet this cost. Mr Fysh thanked Mr Maunder for all his hard work on this and felt that one person should be responsible for overseeing a project like this and that the council should look at what has been done elsewhere. Mr Wharf would like Mr Storrey to address the council on this matter. The Clerk pointed out that the council would have to go to tender for this work. Mr Maunder felt there would be objections to the Inquiry decision which could delay things further. The project is to get the application through the planning stage. It was agreed that the Clerk investigate a Loan application and the tender for the work. The survey brought out comments about a better site for the recycling bins. Mr Wharf has discussed the toilet site with Mr Cake and possible use of a reduction to half it's size with the balance for the bins. Another site could be alongside the scout hut. An item is to go into the Parish Magazine about parking on the proposed site.

Defects

02/078 The Bere Regis sign at Poole Hill needs **cleaning** and the 30mpf limit signs on the eastern side of Rye Hill need to be cleared. Light 13 in Elder Road has been repaired but is now on all the time.

For circulation

- 02/079 Wareham Transport Action Group minutes, Nuclear Safety Newsletter, Winfrith Journal, PDC Bulletin, Clerk and Councils Direct and the Local Government Review.

Planning

Applications

- 02/080
- 02/173 East Dorset Golf Club. Erect 12 pine lodges.
Agreed no objections to this application but there is great concern over the matter of drainage including surface water on this site.
- 02/154 Mr Stanley r/o 88 West Street erect a 4 bedroom house.
Mr Wharf declared an interest.
It was agreed to object to this until the Council had sight of the letter from neighbours saying they did not object to the removal of the condition for obscured glass.
- 02/153 Mr Trim Frensham, Chamberlaynes. Erect a double garage extension with a room in the roof.
Agreed no objections.

Cemetery

- 02/081 The Clerk has circulated the proposed fees for the year starting 1st April 2002. It was agreed that these be adopted and that for next year he conduct a fuller investigation into local fees.
It was also agreed to pay £120 plus postage for a new record book.

Rights of Way

- 02/082 Alterations to footpath 40 have been completed

Parish Magazine

- 02/083 Items to go in are New Village Hall, councillors are needed and a precis of the Chairman's report.

Charities

- 02/084 The Williams Educational Trust meets on April 3rd.

Youth

- 02/085 Messrs Maunder and Munro attended a meeting ,on site, with representatives of the Grainger Trust . Having got approval from the Dorset Wildlife Trust the owners now want to use a different site because of considerations for any future development. Mr Bates was happy about the new area which would need to be fenced off. If this is done the young could do what they ant without the need for a planning application. If a a future date the developers wish to do something here so much the better. Mr Maunder had been asked if it would like a Community Park and has been sent information. The land would be available at a peppercorn rent.
The doctors have now started looking at a site for a surgery. Mr Maunder thought

that the play area site would be good if the existing play area was moved to the new village hall site
Mr Maunder will ask the Grainger Trust to put their proposal to the Council in Writing. He is still concerned about the views of the people in Egdon Close.

Archaeology

02/086 The cross beds railway is to be dismantled.

School Governor

02/087 The annual meeting is next week. The budget is in good shape . The Safe Routes to School Officer and the Transport Planner are to attend. A project such as the footbridge over the Bere Stream could be funded from the £10,000 available to parishes for transport. Mr Shakesby stated that this money could make a difference when used jointly. Mr Maunder said that a need had to be shown and that there was little use of buses at present.

DAPTC

02/088 This had not been well attended because of the code of conduct training.

BERE REGIS BURIAL GROUND**Table of fees from 1st April 2002****Part 1. INTERMENTS**

For the interment of the body of. £ p

A stillborn child, or of a person whose age at the time of death did not exceed one month. 18.50

A person whose age at the time of death exceeded one month but did not exceed twelve years 43.00

A person whose age at the time of death exceeded twelve years. 64.00

The fees indicated apply where the interment is at a depth exceeding 1200mm but not exceeding 2400mm.

For the interment of cremated remains

In a casket or urn in the Memorial Garden or a partners grave 25.00

The above fees apply where the interment is between the hours of 9am and 4pm on a weekday.

Part 2. EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

For the exclusive right of burial for 99 years in an earthen grave 7 feet (2100mm) by 3 feet (900mm). 110.00

For the exclusive right of burial for 99 years , of cremated remains in an earthen grave 3 feet (900mm) by 2 feet (600mm), 54.00

Part 3. Monuments, gravestones and inscriptions.

For the right to erect or place on a grave or vault in respect of which the exclusive right of burial has been granted, a headstone, cross, vase, pillar, or tablet including the first inscription and not exceeding 4 feet (1200mm) in height. 56.00

Flat stone for cremated remains in the Memorial Garden. 31.00

For each additional inscription. 18.50

The above fees apply where the person to be interred or in respect of whom the right is granted is or immediately before death was an inhabitant or parishioner of Bere Regis or in the case of a stillborn child where the parents (or one of them) are or is at the time of interment such inhabitants or parishioners. In all other cases the fees will be doubled except those in Parts 1 and 3 where the exclusive right of burial was obtained at a single fee. The Council has the discretion to charge a single fee for those who have left the parish but who, in the opinion of the council, have been of great service to the parish.