

## 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Minutes of Hemyock Parish Council meeting held in the Forbes Lounge under the chairmanship of Mrs.H.Stallard.

**Present** – Mrs.H.Stallard, Mr.J.Edwards, Pastor S.Reed, Mrs.L.Clist and Mrs.S.Cartledge. Also present was Mr.F.Rosamond – District Councillor and 3 members of the public.

**Apologies** were received from Mr.L.Povah, Mr.R.Brooke, Mr.R.Hart, Mr.I.McCulloch and Mr.R.Radford – County Councillor.

It was proposed, seconded and all agreed that **The Minutes** of meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February be signed as correct records.

### **Matters Arising**

- 1) M.A. No.2 – Cars being sold from the village car park – further enquiries to be made.
- 2) M.A. No.4 – Boundary Review – result being delayed until July 2009.
- 3) M.A. No.6 – Mr.Povah has the forms for planning consent and environmental consent for the floodplain footbridge; there will also have to be a levels survey carried out.
- 4) Allotments – five letters of interest have been received so far. It was suggested that the piece of land directly behind the garages at Millhayes (not the play area) could be used for allotments for the people at Millhayes. This land belongs to MDDC, Mr.Rosamond to make enquiries.
- 5) Highways – nothing further heard about the provision of grit bins.
- 6) Nothing heard about our query regarding the adoption of the Wilcon estate roads by DCC.
- 7) Devon Wildlife Trust – unable to find out who owns the land adjacent to Lickham Common.
- 8) Glass on BMX track – Roy and Brenda Calcraft removed five sacks of glass from the BMX track.  
Mr.Rosamond said there was some skateboard equipment going spare at Tiverton – enquiries to be made.

### **District Council Report**

Mr.Rosamond included the following in his report:

- 1) 2.5% confirmed increase in Council Tax.
- 2) The District Council will soon be publishing a “Community Engagement Strategy”.
- 3) Mr.Rosamond said he had been looking into a complaint about overhanging trees; he said the District Council was hoping to appoint a Tree Officer sometime in the future.
- 4) MDDC – concerned about the recession; they are trying to support people and businesses who are struggling.
- 5) Flooding problem in Hemyock – Mr.Rosamond said he had spoken to Steve Densham who said that the County Council was holding things up.
- 6) The roads in South View and Eastlands need resurfacing

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7) HELIC Centre – no news other than still waiting for a report from the Primary Care Trust.

### **County Council Report**

No report – Mr.Radford not able to be present.

### **Planning**

09/00180/FULL – Land adjacent to Park View, Withy Lane – Withdrawn.

08/02214/FULL – Luggs, Culm Davy – Refused

### **Application**

08/02219/LBC – Listed Building Consent for erection of extension to farmhouse with associated ground works and extension to holiday let barn with internal alterations – Luggs, Culm Davy.

There was some confusion as this appeared to be the LBC for the above application which has been refused. Clerk to seek clarification form the planning office and if necessary arrange a site meeting.

### **Parish Plan**

No further information at present.

### **Freedom of Information Act**

Clerk to get information and template from website; to be discussed again next month.

### **Finance**

At a risk assessment meeting, held before Christmas, it had been decided to purchase a new filing cabinet for parish documents. The clerk reported that Burlescombe Primary School had a good second hand filing cabinet for which the headteacher only asked for a donation to school funds. Mrs.Stallard said she had made enquiries about the price of second filing cabinets and £20 to £25 seemed usual.

It was proposed by Mrs.Cartledge, seconded by Pastor Reed that the Parish Council makes a donation of £25 all agreed.

### **Income**

£63.60 – Redwood & Son, cemetery fees.

### **Payments**

£160.00 – Mr.C.Risdon, footpath maintenance (P3 Scheme funds)

£68.00 – Mr.I.Pike, cemetery maintenance.

### **Highways**

1) Some potholes have been filled and more are marked to be filled soon.

2) Potholes on the Whitehall to Culm Davy road.

3) Mrs.Stallard had discovered that some pavements put in by developers in front of new /refurbished houses have not been adopted by the County Council; some of these pavements are now in need of repair which the County Council is unwilling to do. Clerk

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to contact the  
Highways department to see if they have a map showing who owns what.

### **Cemetery**

- 1) Mr.Bimson has agreed to plant the big pots in the cemetery with new plants.
- 2) It was agreed for a small memorial to be placed in the cemetery for an infant whose ashes were scattered elsewhere – usual fee to apply.

### **Footpaths**

Nothing to report.

### **Correspondence**

- 1) EDDC – Landscape Character Assessment, Blackdown Hills.
- 2) Leaflet regarding road drainage.
- 3) Junk Mail leaflet.
- 4) The Playing Field Association newsletter.
- 5) Town & Parish Standard – issue 4.
- 6) CPRE – Best Kept Village Competition entry form; councillors decided to consider entering again next year.
- 7) Devon & Cornwall Police Authority meetings – distributed to all councillors.
- 8) MDDC – Offer of extra planning sessions, councillors agreed they would like to attend.
- 9) Tony Durbin – information regarding Tenant Involvement Matters; Mrs.Stallard to contact him to discuss this.
- 10) Devon Link – Your Voice on Health & Social Care in Devon – clerk to copy to all councillors.
- 11) Came & Co. – insurance company details.
- 12) Summerfield Homes – affordable homes.
- 13) Parish Matters – issue 5.
- 14) Royal Devon & Exeter Express.
- 15) Village Green magazines – distributed to councillors.
- 16) Calor Village of the Year Competition entry form.

### **P.R.**

- Tenant Representative – Tony Durbin
- Pavements – who owns them?

### **Chairman's Business**

- 1) Dog mess in Station Road – health hazard.
- 2) Date for Annual General Meeting; after much discussion it was decided to see if the hall was available on 30<sup>th</sup> April – guest speaker to be announced. Some of the displays suggested were:
  - Parish Plan
  - Drawings for flood plain footpath
  - Boundary Commission

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- Allotments
- On going & future projects
- The surgery

It was suggested that we show the DVD on the Neroche Project, provide cheese & wine as before.

Clerk to contact clubs etc to ask for written reports and compile packs as before with last years minutes, finance report etc.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm.

*Signed*.....

*Date*.....

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