

MINUTES OF THE CODFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7th April 2008 AT 7.30.p.m IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Beagley, Mrs Edmonds, Mrs Johnstone, Mr. Thornton, Mr Woollard and Mrs Wyeth.

In Attendance: Mr. L. Hoareau, Clerk. Mr. Keith Huntley and Constable Martin Faulkner, Neighbourhood Policing Team.

1. Apologies: Cllrs. Chris Brayne, David Peters and Andrew Davis

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Open Forum: Mr. Huntley spoke on the recent sale of the Agricentre, Station Road and expressed concerns, on behalf of the nearby residents, that the premises are likely to be converted for warehousing purposes which would no doubt increase heavy goods traffic on Station Road and thereby, possibly, creating a road safety issue, as well as a weight restriction problem at Boyton Bridge. It was agreed that the PC would take note of the views of the residents as and when a planning application was submitted. Constable Faulkner reported there had been a reduction in crime generally in West Wiltshire and an increase in the detection rate. Locally there had been 5 crimes in the last few months in Codford. Criminal Damage, Burglary of the village shop, disturbance in Green Lane (2 people from Warminster arrested). He informed the meeting that Wiltshire Police had organised a youth disco at the Youth Centre, Warminster on 28th May. He would provide transport from the village. Flyers will be posted in the village.

4. Minutes of Meeting of 25th February 2008. The minutes were agreed to be a true record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting.

1) Unauthorised Barn, Chitterne Road.

PC notified that the applicant had given notice of appeal to the High Court. Nothing further to date.

2) Road Safety Measures Green Lane/New Road.

This item comprises 1) Speed Limit Green Lane, 2) Resiting 30m.p.h signs High Street, 3) Resiting 30m.p.h signs Chitterne Road, 4) Speed Restriction, New Road. Following a reminder to WCC Traffic Section they have allocated the following job numbers respectively. 284177, 284159, 284175, and 284179. Awaiting progress.

3) Quinton Place AA Signs.

Job no. 254423 refers. Informed by CLARENCE that the developer had been instructed to remove them. No further progress. PC will remove the signs.

4) Slow Sign Punch Bowl Farm. The job has been accepted and added to the list of work for the line painting section who will attend to it in due course.

5) Playful Ideas. Progressing.

6) Weeds/Grass, High Street/The Grove. On the list of work for Unimog machine to attend when available.

7) Private Road Sign, Green Lane. CLARENCE informed and attending. Awaiting progress

8) Public Path Sign Green Lane. Pathways Officer to arrange for concreting in the sign.

9) Closure of Computer Centre. Mr. Brayne to take soundings to assess demand and report back. PC deferred decision until next meeting

10) Anzac Grave Sign. New sign awaited.

11) Additional Skip. Hill's Waste will monitor usage and add another skip for cardboard, if necessary.

12) Garden Shed, High Street. The Chairman and the Clerk visited the occupants of the house concerned, following a letter from them. The Chairman apologised for any misunderstandings caused and explained that having received a complaint about the shed the PC was duty bound to pass it on to the appropriate authority, which in this case was the District Council Planning Control Department. After a long discussion it was resolved that to avoid any future embarrassment and misunderstandings a standard letter should be prepared to inform anyone who is the subject of any complaints in similar situations. Clerk to attend.

13) Salisbury Direction Sign. Awaiting replacement by Highways.

14) Climate Change. Mrs Edmonds reported that she had received some leaflets on car sharing for general circulation. She had attended a meeting on environmental change at the village school. The children and staff had been made aware of the scheme. The children had devised a comprehensive "green" programme for the school and parents, which will include a regular newsletter to be circulated within the village.

15) Village Website. Deferred to next meeting for an update on the new Community Website from Cllr. Brayne. A letter of appreciation to be sent to Mr. Robin White for the previous use of his site.

16) Complaints Speeding. Constable Faulkner advised that he had informed the Road Safety Unit and the speed camera signs will be replaced at both ends of the High Street. He will personally attend the High Street with a "speed gun" at the relevant times. The Camera Safety Unit will also continue to give the matter attention.

17) Planning Contravention Notices. The two letters had been forwarded to Planning Control on 5th February and to date an acknowledgement had not been received and the two letter writers had not been responded to either

6. Financial Report.

Income 2007/2008.....	8638.07
Expenditure 2007/2008.....	4669.92
Balance.....	3968.15
Less ring fenced future election costs.....	2500.00
Carried forward.....	1468.15

A full report of the accounts for 2007/2008 is attached to these minutes

7. Planning Applications

Cleeve House, Whitehorse Trekking Centre. Two storey extension to rear..... Permission
4, Wool House Gardens.Work to trees in garden.....Consent.
118 High Street. Replace existing cottage with new dwelling.....No objections
8 Quinton Place. New garden room and extension to garden. Notifcation of appeal received.PC to submit documents.
The Old Rectory, Church Lane.Replace windows in kitchen, master bed/room.....No objections

8. Anzac Day Service.

Mrs Wyeth reported that all the arrangements are in place for the service on Friday 25th April at 0630, followed by a gunfire breakfast at the Village Hall.A bugler and a piper have been ordered.

9. Correspondence

Security Lighting.

Selwood Housing (West Wiltshire Housing Society) has refused to install security lights to the old people's bungalows in Cherry Orchard. PC has been requested to give support. Clerk to write.

Village Policy Limits.

PC has received a copy letter to Mr. Jim Sherry, Planning Policy Manager, requesting a review of the Village Policy Limits at the west end of the village in order to remove an "eyesore" of an old barn at the western entrance to the village.PC noted the letter.

Cranborne Chase Annual Meeting.

Invitation to PC to send two representatives to the meeting at Dinton on 8th May.

Sustain the Plain Conference.

PC invited to attend on 1st May at Market Lavington.

Bobby Van Trust.

Request for donation received. £50.00 agreed.

Review of Voluntary Sector

Questionnaire survey received, in relation to the Voluntary Service and Primary Care Trust. Mrs Jonhstone to attend.

Highways Agency Open Day.

Invitation for PC to attend this annual event on 1st May. Mr. Beagley and Mr.Thornton to attend.

10.Matters to Report.

None

11.Agenda for Next Meeting.

None

The meeting closed at 9.20.p.m.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30.p.m.Monday 19th May 2008 at the small hall of the Village Hall.

The Annual Village Meeting will take place on Monday 12th May 2008 at 7.30p.m. in the Village Hall.

