

# MINUTES OF THE CODFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Monday 9th August 2010 AT 7.30.p.m IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

**Present:** Mr. Brayne, Mr. Bartlett, Mrs Edmonds, Mrs Johnstone, Mr. Peters, Mr. Thornton Mr. Woollard and Mrs Wyeth.

**In Attendance:** Mrs Vincie Abbott and Mr.L. Hoareau,Clerk

## **1.Apologies**

Mr. Beagley.

## **2.Open Forum**

Mrs Abbott made the PC aware of her plans to carry out various structural alterations to "Little Orchard" Chitterne Road. The PC will comment on the planning application for the changes in due course.

## **3. Declarations of Acceptance of Office as Councillors for 2010/2011.**

Mr. Beagley not in attendance. Item deferred to next meeting.

## **4. Areas of Responsibilities.**

Mr. Beagley not in attendance. Item deferred to next meeting.

## **5. Minutes of Meeting of 28th June 2010.**

The minutes were agreed to be a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

## **6. Matters Arising.**

### **1) Community Flood Plan.**

Progressing. Properties located within the flood plain have been identified and an advisory note is being prepared for the information of the householders affected.

### **2) Footpaths Signs.**

Mr. Thornton attending.

### **3) Damaged Railings Cherry Orchard.**

Railings have been replaced by Selwood Housing but has since come apart. Selwood has been informed.

### **4) Village Events Diary.**

Agenda Item 10 refers.

### **5. Reduction of Unnecessary Street Lighting.**

Agenda Item 9 refers.

### **6. Bridge Parapets, High Street.**

Bridge Inspector to check for damage and report back.

### **7. Railings, Chitterne Brook.**

Community Pay Back supervisor to make a viability check on 19th August.

### **7. Financial Report.**

No financial transaction since the last meeting.

### **8. Planning Applications.**

76, High Street.....No preservation order required for the five trees applied for.

Ashdown Farm. Change of use. Agricultural to agricultural/logging business. No objections but conditions should be imposed to limit logging to the normal working day hours.

### **9. Reduction of Unnecessary Street Lighting.**

Mrs Wyeth reported that, following a meeting in Urchfont on 29th July, further information regarding the initiative by Wiltshire Council has been made available. It has been successfully trialled at Urchfont and Tidworth and it is proposed to extend the scheme County wide. As recommended the PC will leaflet the whole village in the near future, after consultation with the police, with a plan showing the lights to be switched off between midnight and 5.30a.m. The PC will take the majority view of the village community to the Warminster Area Board.

### **10. Village Events Diary**

Mr. Brayne reported that he had identified two possible options through Google to develop a dedicated website for the village, at minimal costs, providing an integrated diary for the benefit of the whole community and would help organisations to co-ordinate village events and functions. PC agreed to proceed with proposal.

### **11.Area Board Report.**

Mr. Bartlett informed the meeting that he had completed a questionnaire on the PC's flooding plans at the request of the Area Board but had had not submitted a flood map as the PC's own Flood Plan had not been completed.

### **12.Items of Correspondence.**

Letter of thanks from Youth Action Wiltshire for the £50.00 donation.

Letter from Wiltshire Council advertising grants for Countryside access.

Request for donation from St. John Ambulance. £50.00 agreed.

Letter of thanks received from Mr Alec Thompson on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee for the £1000.00 grant.

Letter from Selwood Housing reporting several incidents of criminal damage and acts of vandalism at rural sewerage plants and asking PC to publicise the risks involved in such activities.

Invitation received from Community First to their AGM on 6th October.

### **13.Matters to Report.**

#### **Wiltshire Rural Housing, Cherry Orchard.**

Mrs Wyeth reported that she had received a number of queries regarding the allocation of the houses and in case of further enquiries the present situation is that the interviews are currently taking place according to a priority

order based on the applicant's connections with Codford. It is hoped that the houses will be occupied by November and an open day will be held before occupation.

**Self Build Housing.**

Mr Brayne reported that Paul Richards, a founder member of the National Self Build Association is available to speak to the PC on the benefits of community self build projects. PC agreed to invite him to a future meeting.

**Parking Green Road/High Street Junction and Chitterne Road.**

Mrs Johnstone reported receiving complaints once again about inconsiderate parking at those locations. Following discussions the PC agreed that drivers need to be more careful and car owners more considerate as there are no ready solutions to the problems

**.Designation of Land Chitterne Road**

Mr Peters queried the current designation of the plots of land adjoining Chitterne Road. Clerk to check.

**14.Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

None

The meeting closed at 9.35.p.m

**Matters Outstanding.**

Resiting of 30m.p.h. signs in Green Lane from the High Street junction to New Road/Green Lane junction. (284177)

Resiting of 30.m.p.h. signs Chitterne Road, New Road and High Street (284159, 284175, and 284179) Due to be resolved in 2011.

Rerouting heavy goods vehicles away from the bottom end of Chitterne Road. Highways Dept. attending.

Village Policy Limits Deferred until after consultation by Wiltshire Council in 2011

Major Mike Cotterill's Legacy. New Parish Council Notice Board. Awaiting new shop/post office building.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30p.m. Monday 20th September 2010, at the small hall of the Village Hall.**