

MINUTES OF THE CODFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Monday 1st MARCH 2010 AT 7.30.p.m IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

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

In Attendance: Mr. Paul Hember Mr. Darren Oakey and Mr. L. Hoareau, Clerk.

1. Apologies.

Mr. Peters

2. Open Forum.

Mr. Hember informed the Council that he had made preliminary enquiries with Wiltshire Council regarding the potential development of an industrial site for residential use which is currently outside the village policy limits and that he had been given the indication that permission would be considered if the site was redrawn within the limits. He asked for support from the PC and it was agreed that the matter would be discussed as an agenda item at the next meeting.

Mr. Oakey spoke about the proposed relocation of Key Stage 1 children at the Wylve Valley C of E Aided Primary School from the Codford site to Steeple Langford. He expressed serious concerns regarding the upheaval of young children and thanked the PC for writing to the Governing Body to reflect the views of the parents on a number of factors relating to the proposed move and asked for the Council's continued support. It was agreed that the PC would monitor the situation.

3. Minutes of Meeting of 14th January 2010.

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

4. Matters Arising.

1) Planning Contravention Notices.

Reply received from the Development Service Director to apologise to the PC for the communication breakdown in not being informed of previous decisions and it was hoped that the Development Control Department would provide a better service in the future. The PC was also informed that the site had been re-inspected recently when breaches of planning control had been apparent and action was being pursued.

2) Bench Seat Broadleaze Bus Stop.

A new wall has been built. The bench seat is to follow.

3) Tree Pruning A36.

East of Stockton turn off still outstanding.

4) Community Flood Plan.

Progressing

5) ANZAC Leaflets.

Mr. Thornton attending

6) State of Pavements.

PC submitted an audit of repairs required and a site visit by Highways personnel has been arranged for 8th March.

7) Snow Ploughs and Farmers.

A contract is being discussed between Mr. Collins and Wiltshire Council.

8) Wylve Valley Postcards

Mr. Brayne advised not to proceed with this link.

9) Footpath Signs.

From Green Lane across High Street to link with The Grove sign. Mr. Thornton attending.

5. Financial Report

£100.00 donated to Rapid UK. Total Spend. £4950.00 Balance. £1889.00

It was agreed to purchase a new Council Standing Orders costing £25.00

6. Planning Applications.

Central Garage, High Street: Revised design, new perimeter wall.....No objections

The Old Manse, High Street: New conservatory to rear elevation.....No objections

99, Green Road: Change of use, surgery to residential.....No objections

Ashton Gifford House: New entrance/drive from Sherrington Lane.....No objections

137A Station Road: Demolition/replacement of cottage.....No objections

7. Local Democracy, Economic Development & Construction Act 2009.

This recent legislation empowers Parish Councils to admit to be Freeman/Freewoman of parish to which it has authority, persons of distinction and persons who have, in the opinion of the authority, rendered eminent services to that place, area or community. Following a discussion on possible nominees the matter was deferred to a future meeting, which has to be specially convened under the Act, for further debate.

8. Traffic Regulation Order, (Consultation), Chitterne Road.

Creates a weight limit amendment on Chitterne Road to Tilshead on the C22 Road to allow heavy goods vehicles to be rerouted from the A303 in the event of a diversion. PC had no comments to submit.

9. Area Board Report.

Mr. Bartlett is attending his first Area Board meeting on Thursday 4th March

10. Items of Correspondence.

Letters of Thanks.

Received from:-

Simon Firth for grant to Riding Lights Theatre event.

Rapid UK for donation to Haiti Fund.

Wiltshire Air Ambulance Appeal.

Request received for permission to site a Recycling Clothing and Shoe Bank at the village Recycling Centre as a fund raising scheme for the Air Ambulance. PC supported the request which has been forwarded to the Village Hall & Social Centre for decision.

Grit Bins Audit.

PC has submitted a report requesting grit bins to be sited at:-

High Street east of St. Peter's church. New Road/Chitterne Road junction. Ox Yard/Chitterne Road junction. Green Lane/Quinton Place junction.

Wylde Coyotes.

Request for a grant towards start up costs for the re-establishment of Codford Parent & Toddler Group which is planned to be open from 9.0a.m. on Wednesdays and provide a healthy breakfast for children and parents, as well as normal playgroup activities. Agreed to grant £100.00

Wylde Valley C of E Aided Primary School.

A number of correspondence, both verbal and written, has been received from parents in connection with the proposed relocation of the Key Stage 1 children from the Codford site to Steeple Langford. The PC has written to the Governing Body to reflect the views of the concerned parents.

"Tidying Up" Site

Letter received from Mr & Mrs Smith requesting that the area around Moonrakers, 124, 125, and 126 High Street be included as one of the sites to be considered for review of the village policy limits.

Land to the rear of The Grove

Two residents from The Grove have made the PC aware that Selwood Housing are querying the use of the plot of land to the rear of The Grove. There appears to be uncertainties regarding the ownership of the land. Clerk to follow up.

Charity Commission.

The PC, as Trustees, has been informed that the Commission has identified a number of problems with the registered charity rules and conditions with regard to the Village Hall and Social Centre. The Committee is dealing with the matter and a meeting with the Commission is scheduled in the near future.

11. Matters to Report.

Mr. Brayne reported the metal railings at the top of Cherry Orchard to be in need of repair.

12. Agenda Items for next Meeting

Village Policy Limits

Nominees for Parish Freeman/Freewoman

The meeting closed at 9.55p.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.

Major Cottrill's Legacy. Awaiting probate.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30p.m. Monday 12th April 2010 at the small hall of the Village Hall.