MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING
OF
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL
Whiddon Down Village Hall
On
Wednesday 21st July 2010

Present: Cllrs Savage (Chairman), Mudge (Vice Chairman), Dyke, Chadney, Hester, Power, and the Clerk

Apologies: Cllr Gosnay, Cllr Hardie and Cllr Ridgers

In attendance: 12 members of the public

112.10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
Cllr Power proposed and Cllr Mudge seconded the minutes of the meeting of the 21 June 2010.

113.10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
The Chairman reminded the Cllrs present of the need to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in respect of any items included on the Agenda. Cllr Savage declared a prejudicial interest in the Planning DNPA 0319/10 as he has a business interest with the applicant. Cllr Power declared a personal interest in the same application as she is a neighbour.

114.10 MATTERS ARISING
Inspector D Hammond has suggested that Duncan Russell the Road Casualty Reduction Officer be invited to a Parish Council meeting to discuss the SCARF criteria to the Council. It was agreed that the Clerk should arrange this.

Correspondence has been received from DNPA in respect of the Public Conveniences stating that DNPA are willing to lend a counter to Drewsteignton Parish Council to place on the entrance to the toilets.

Mrs Ross from Martins Park addressed the Council and stated that she was not happy with the Parish Council contacting WDBC about planning restrictions on her property. She stated that the Trailer Medic is a mobile business and not run from Martins Park. As the Council had received complaints regarding planning matters they have a duty to report that to the planning enforcement officer at WDBC. It was agreed with Mrs Ross any further such complaints would be similarly reported and we would inform her at the same time.

115.10 HIGHWAYS
No response has been received from the Highways Authority in respect of the Salt Bins. Clerk to monitor. Several potholes were identified between Burrow and Preston Farm. Clerk to report. Parish Lengthsman to clear the path between Lamb Park and Knowle Lane. Clerk to enquire with Joe Deasey what progress has been made in respect of the Pedestrian Crossing at Whiddon Down.

116.10 PLANNING
DNPA 00311/10 Lower Budbrooke Cottage Crockernwell. This application was in respect of a new window and internal renovations. The Cllrs agreed to make no comment in this case.

WDBC 0617/2010 Chapple Farm Drewsteignton. Cllrs agreed to support this application.

DNPA 0319/2010 Longhayes Venton. This application was in respect of a certificate of lawfulness for the building business of Drewe and Sons. Cllr Savage left the room. Following discussions and some members of the public addressing the Council it was agreed to make no comment in this case but any letters received by the Council would be forwarded onto DNPA for their information.

Clerk to notify relevant authorities

Decisions received;

DNPA 0245/10 Smiths Cross Farm Drewsteignton granted.

117.10 FINANCE
Cllr Power proposed and Cllr Dyke seconded the following payments to be made;

Mrs J Bowden – Clerk’s Salary £368.33
Mrs J Bowden – Clerk’s Expenses £19.67
Mr M Rowe – WC Cleaning £97.04
Mrs P Rowe – Parish Post expenses £167.60
DALC – Cllr Training £117.50
Drewsteignton Village Hall - Hire of Hall £8
Public Loan Board - £1,021.51
EDF – Re Drewsteignton WC’s £32.60
EDF – re Church Clock £77.88
Cllr requested the Clerk write to EDF to request the best rate for the electricity supply as the Church Clock Electricity has increased quite considerably.

118.10 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE
Landfill Funding. Cllr Mudge will discuss at next meeting.
An invite has been received from Okehampton District Community Transport Group for the 4 August 2010. Cllr Dyke agreed to attend.
WDBC parish Council Emergency Planning Support Sessions – Correspondence placed in circulation pack and will be discussed at next meeting if anyone interested.
PS1637 Lee Nattrass has written to introduce himself as the new Neighbourhood Team Leader for Okehampton Police Station. Clerk to reply giving dates of Parish Council meetings and inviting him to a future meeting.
WDBC Core Statey correspondence was received and placed in the circulation pack.

119.10 DELEGATES REPORTS
Cllr Mudge gave a report from the playing fields committee AGM he attended.
Cllrs Mudge, Chadney, Hardie and Dyke attended the recent New Councillors training at Tedburn St Mary which was reported as useful.

120.10 HIGHER FINGLE FARM
Cllr Chadney has contacted Ms Amiss but has yet been able to arrange a meeting. It was agreed the Clerk would write to Ms Amiss stating Cllr Chadney would be in touch.

121.10 PARISH POST
Cllr Hester is in the process of organising the Whiddon Down Notice Board to be moved to the West Bound Bus Shelter at Whiddon Down.

122.10 TRAVELLERS SITE
Cllr Requested that the Clerk ask for an updated report from George Greenaway WDBC requesting what action is being taken against new arrivals.

123.10 MARTINS PARK FARM
Covered in matters arising.

124.10 PARISH PLAN
Nothing to report.

125.10 TURNPIKE ROAD
Cllr Hester attended the Farmers Market at Whiddon Down to show Parishioners of Whiddon Down the potential plans to close Turnpike Road and asking for any comments. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange a meeting with Joe Deasey DCC Highways and Cllr McInnes, Cllr Hester and Cllr Savage to discuss the progress so far.

126.10 DREWSTEIGNTON CAR PARK
All Cllrs have approved the new signage Cllr Mudge still to approach the residents in the Old Inn to seek permission to attach a sign post on the wall in the square. Signs will then be ordered. Discussions took place about putting an honesty box in the Car Park for donations towards its upkeep. This will be discussed at the next meeting

127.10 COMMENTS ON INFORMATION CIRCULATED
None.

128.10 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Salt Bins
Landfill Funding
Travellers Site
Turnpike Road
Higher Fingle Farm
Footpaths
Honesty Box in Car Park
Playing Fields

129.10 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
Monday 16th August 2010 at 7.30pm at Drewsteignton.
There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.24pm.