

## PARRETT AND AXE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at 7.30pm at South Perrott Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Anthony de la Poer, (chairman) Mike Johnson (vice chairman), Peter Simmons, Kate Organ, District Cllrs Caroline Payne & Jan Page, PCSO Alex Bishop, clerk Vicky Reed and 1 resident.

965. APOLOGIES Cllr David Lines, County Cllr Rebecca Knox, Footpaths officer Dominie de la Poer.

Declarations of Interest – Cllr Kate Organ and clerk Vicky Reed declared an interest as members of the village hall committee, with regard to a letter received, see item 969.

966. MINUTES of the parish council meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were approved and signed.

967. REPORTS from Community Police Team, County Councillor and District Councillors.

PCSO Alex Bishop advised that there have been a number of scam letters sent out in the area, both by post and via email, all residents are warned to be aware and not to respond to requests to send money to foreign correspondents.

A number of thefts from vehicles parked at local beauty spots have taken place. Walkers are urged to leave nothing of value in their cars, but to take everything with them.

District Cllr Page advised that the district council proportion of the forthcoming council tax bills has been increased by just 1%. A recent initiative involving young people shadowing district councillors has been a great success and will hopefully be continued.

Cllr Page asked how to best communicate with residents in South Perrott & Chedington regarding the recent poor results produced in the Comprehensive Area Agreement.

Feedback could possibly be gathered through the newsletter to be produced. Cllr Page

asked after the issue of access to the Millennium Green. It appears that it will not be

possible to purchase the necessary strip of land required to allow an alternative access route at this time.

District Cllr Payne advised that WDDC has been awarded a grant to employ an advisor to work with young people in the area to assess young people's housing needs and help prevent homelessness.

968. MATTTTERS ARISING.

- a) Highways Issues – The A356 Rural Roads scheme feasibility study has been completed and is circulating amongst councillors at the moment. There is to be a meeting between Jody Foy of DCC and the parish councillors on 29<sup>th</sup> March to discuss the next stage of the process which is the public consultation. This is likely to take the form of an open afternoon in the village hall to display the plans and offer residents the chance to give their thoughts. It was suggested that this take place over a weekend day to allow maximum attendance.

The large pothole in Lecher Lane has been reported to Highways on a number of occasions, and the work log is outstanding.

It was noted that the recent road surfacing from the edge of South Perrott village to Chedington Golf club has resulted in a very good road surface and the repairs were carried out very efficiently. Clerk to write to Highways department to thank them.

- b) South Perrott Notice Board – The timber of the notice board is in need of a coat of teak oil, Cllr de la Poer has offered to attend to this.
- c) Western Power Distribution – Further to the last meeting, clerk wrote to WPD about the poor communication during the recent upgrading works. WPD telephoned in response and advised they did have the necessary halt notice for the traffic signals from the Highways Department who would usually send a copy of this to the parish council but nothing was received. WPD apologised for the inconvenience caused during the works but advised that the villagers most affected should now have an improved electricity supply.

## 969. CORRESPONDENCE

### Correspondence received

Letter from BAVLAP requesting funding \* See Below  
West Dorset Partnership Vision for West Dorset Consultation plan  
DAPTC Chief Executives Circular 01/10 & 02/10  
Future of High Speed Broadband Provision for Dorset document  
Email from Road Safety team regarding "No Excuses" campaign and SID post use  
DCC Budget Speech by leader (by e-mail originally)  
NSPCC Letter requesting financial assistance  
WDDC Community Planning sessions invitations  
DCA Dorset Village of the Year entry information  
Dorset AONB Undergrounding of low Voltage power lines info  
Energy saving trust information letter  
DAPTC Autumn/Winter newsletter  
Clerks & Council Direct newsletter  
Local Council Review newsletter  
Invitation to POPP event  
DorBag email regarding accessing free view television  
A356 Rural Routes Study  
WDDC Spring Clean information  
DAPTC Chief Executives Circular 03/10  
AONB Guide to Allotments  
DCC Planning Application Validation Checklist letter  
Email re BLAP Community info fair  
Email regarding Hall & Woodhouse Community Chest fund  
Email regarding local food links fayre  
SP Village hall committee letter requesting financial help \*\*See below  
Letter from NHS Dorset regarding breast cancer services  
Letter from Dorset County Hospital regarding Breast cancer services  
Planning department letter regarding fencing at Court Farm, Chedington

\*With regard to BAVLAP letter requesting financial assistance, it was decided not to make a donation at this time.

\*\* With regard to the letter from South Perrott Village Hall, the parish council agreed it would consider making a donation should match funding to meet a district or county council grant funding criteria be required, but that at this time the parish council was unable to make a stand alone donation. Clerk to write to village hall committee to advise.

#### 970. PLANNING

a) Applications handled since last meeting:  
None

b) Decisions notified by WDDC since last meeting:  
11/D/09/001988 Mount View, Pipplepen Lane, South Perrott Remove door and frame to porch – Listed Building consent - approval

1/D/09/001893 & 1/D/09/001894 Riverside, Church Hill South Perrott, Conservatory – refusal of planning permission

c) New applications  
1/D/10/000263 & 1/D/10/000264 Listed Building consent – Riverside, Church Hill South Perrott, Conservatory – new application  
1/D/10/000287 Rowan Tree Cottage, Lecher Lane, South Perrott Demolish rear store, add new two storey extension – new application  
These applications were discussed and no objections were made, clerk to advise planning department.

d) Tree Applications  
CA/10/00014 Coach & Horses Inn, South Perrott, reduce 4 ash trees – Application and approval  
CA/10/00052 Thame, High Street, Chedington Fell 2 beech trees etc -application  
CA/10/00048 The Old Rectory, South Perrott To fell various trees - application

#### 971. FINANCE

a) Income received:	None
b) Payments made since the last meeting:	£352.32 Grit bins
c) Payments to be made	
Clerks salary	£ 279.90
Clerks expenses	£ 16.66
Bank statement as at 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2010	£ 2451.71
Balance after above cheques agreed	£ 2155.15

The above payments were proposed by Cllr de la Poer and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

#### 972. MATTERS OF REPORT.

a) Chairman – None

b) Clerk – None.

c) Members – On behalf of Cllr Lines. Clerk advised that Cllr Lines has met with Karen Caille who manages the parish council website. They will be looking at updating the website, with a new “blog” style, with Cllr Lines, Karen Caille and the clerk able to update the content of the website. The newsletter will be linked to the website once it is available. It was suggested that the first issue of the newsletter be distributed to all households in hardcopy to ensure everyone is aware of its existence.

d) Footpaths Officer – None.

973. PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

None.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Date of next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> May in South Perrott Village Hall to include the AGM

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