MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOWER WINTERBORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17th JANUARY 2012 AT WINTERBORNE ZELSTON VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE: Mr. L. Lewis (Chairman) LL

Mrs. F. Langley (Parish Clerk) FL
Mr. D. Holden DH
Mr. M. Griffin MG
Mr. M. Cook MC
Mrs. F. Ward FW
Mrs. S. Gale SG

Emma Parker District Councillor Jane Somper District Councillor

8 members of the public

APOLOGIES: Mrs. H. Cox (County Councillor)

Mr. I. Macfarlane Mrs. S. Whittaker Mr. T. Ives Mr. L. Burgess

12/PCM/02 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

None

12/PCM/03 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Acceptance proposed subject to one change, WZ only required £250.00 for Diamond Jubilee, instead of £1,000.00 and one addition the inclusion of a proposal for a Planning sub committee to be set up.

12/PCM/04 MATTERS ARISING:

All action Items undertaken. Following the removal of a tree on the footpath between North Street and Sackville Street bridge and the laying of a new drain to carry surface rain water into the Winterborne, the state of the area was not satisfactory and a complaint was made to the Highways Department. Following this complaint remedial work has been undertaken. Several enquiries have been made regarding the new pipe which was laid across the Parish land from the new house at Brookside into the Winterborne which carries treated water from the treatment plant into the river. Following enquiries with the Envioronment Agency it was noted that it should be a perforated pipe and that a licence has been granted. No request to cross parish land has been received. Chairman to seek to meet with the homeowner.

(Action LL)

12/PCM/05 RESOLUTION OF FINANCIAL REPORT:

Payment of bills proposed by MG, seconded by MC. All in favour. One additional item of £470.00 for payment for the hire of a Marquee for the Diamond Jubilee celebrations for Winterborne Kingston to Wessex Marquee.

12/PCM/06 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

TI: Attached

MC: Examined Highways Report for Winter Maintenance, W. Kingston not on precautionary salting route.

Capital Maintenance programme, no work in W. Kingston or W. Zelston. Planned work on A35 between Bere Regis and Bloxworth but no date set as yet.

Traffic Calming - Dorset have bought into this concept. As MC is coming to the end of his tenure on the Parish Council a replacement will need to be found to take this over from him as an ongoing project and to report on Highways issues.

Leaflets handed over by Wayfinders to be handed out at Pop-In. MG confirmed that they have already been to W. Kingston and some of their money has been used by the W. Kingston Computer Club to purchase some computers.

PLANNING REPORT:

Objection to planning request at Cobb Cottage, W. Kingston but if consent given, an obligation regarding the boundary with the neighbouring property should be imposed. Proposed by MG, seconded by SG, all in favour.

Tree felling at Brookside Cottage, approval given.

12/PCM/07 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

JS/EP: Meeting on 18th January regarding the Gypsy and Travellers sites consultation document and problems with the choices of sites by the consultants.

A Drop In session regarding the Neighbourhood Plan to be held at the Council Chambers of North Dorset. EP to forward a copy of leaflet sent out by Winterborne Whitechurch Clerk to their residents to LL. The information given out to a member of the public at a Parish Council meeting in the Autumn to be returned to the Council. (Action FL)

12/PCM/08 HOME WATCH/FLOOD WATCH:

6/7 incidents over the last month in the rural South which covers our area. 2 house burglaries at Milborne St. Andrew. The other incidents were small thefts from sheds. Notification that Dorset police have combined some services with Wiltshire. A recent combined operation by police sniffer dogs around the pubs of Blandford discovered 2 instances of class A drugs. The anti drink drive campaign in Dorset caught 130 men and 20 women in the Christmas period. The roll out of 2 pilots of the Community Speed Watch will take place in due course where the community are trained to use speed devices to deter speeding drivers through their villages.

Arrangements have been made for Mr. Morris to clear the bank of the river Winterborne between the 2 bridges in Winterborne Kingston and in the summer will arrange for a small digger to clear the bed of the river. The river is not flowing at present and Mr. Hyde reported a large tree down in the river at the back of Kingston Barnyard. Mr. Piers Chichester has been informed and will arrange for its removal.

With reference to the clearing of the river bed and bank on Mr. Kerly's land, DH and LL to visit the area and report back to the Council (Action DH/LL)

12/PCM/09 PLANNING:

Planning sub-committees to be set up for the parish.

W. Kingston - SG/FW/IM

Anderson - LB

W. Zelston - SW/DH/LL

12/PCM/10 PARISH WEBSITE:

DH gave the parish council details of costs for setting this up and it was agreed we should proceed to set it up. Proposed by DH, seconded by SG, all in favour. DH agreed to be the Web Master for the entries for W. Zelston and SG for the entries for W. Kingston. Following a question from the public, it was agreed that the Chairman would have the veto on all entries on the website. Links to the village halls, pubs and the services provided in each of the villages and possibly to the Tourist Information Office could also be included.

12/PCM/11 REMEDIAL WORKS AT RECREATION GROUND:

Simon Hart to undertake this work at a cost not to exceed £250.00

12/PCM/12 ADDITIONAL RECREATION FACILITIES:

Information received from the Parish Insurance company regarding the setting up of a BMX track needs full review by the Councillors. Papers to be circulated to all the Councillors for consideration and also further discussions with the Youth Club. (Action FL/SG/TI)

12/PCM/13 PRECEPT:

Following discussions the sum of £1,000 for W. Kingston and £250.00 for W. Zelston towards Diamond Jubilee celebration to be taken from reserves. Amount for voluntary grass cutting in W. Zelston to be increased again taken from reserves. Money for setting up of parish website and for installation of broadband in the Winterborne Kingston village hall. Increased training budget for parish clerk. Approval proposed by MC, seconded by DH. All in favour.

12/PCM/14 CORRESPONDENCE:

See attached schedule.

12/PCM/15 PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Signpost opposite the village hall in W. Kingston has broken arms. Contact Highways Department. (Action MC)

Public request as to who is responsible for the emptying of rubbish bins in the play park at W. Kingston. SG as councillor responsible for this area. (Action SG)

New gate to be sought for entrance to Allotment Field. Suggested that the Drax Estate may have some that the Council may be able to acquire. (Action FL)

Abbotts Court have put up signs informing that there is no right of way down the farm track round the back of the barns. Notice to be submitted to the Red Post Magazine to the effect that although this track has been in use by the villagers in the past it is not a Public Right of Way.

(Action FL)

Request to have drain cleared at Church Lane, W. Kingston
Request to have a No Through Road sign erected at Church Lane.

(Action FL)
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NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 6TH MARCH AT WINTERBORNE KINGSTON