

## Minutes of Lympsham Parish Council Meeting, 20 October 2014

**Councillors Present:** Mr. J. Hinton (Chairman), Mr. B. Gooding, Mr. R. Hoare, Mr. R. Jones, Mrs. E. Male,  
Mrs. J. Rosser & Mr. G. Tuttiett.

**Minutes** were taken by the Clerk.

[N.B. Meeting started at 7.44 p.m. following Manor Hall Committee Meeting.]

**79/14 Apologies:** Dist. Cllrs. R. Filmer & A. Gilling. (Accepted).

**80/14 Minutes of Previous Meeting (15.9.14):** were confirmed and signed.

**81/14 Matters Arising / for report from previous meetings:**

- **Neighbourhood Watch:** Concern expressed re reduced contact with NHW Police team: Clerk to contact Commissioner; Speedwatch to be asked to monitor traffic speeding from Brean direction along Rectory Way.
- **Lympsham First School:** Nothing to report.
- **Manor Hall:** Dealt with at previous meeting
- **Lympsham Pre-school:** Nothing to report.
- **Highways:** Clerk passed on various responses from Highways; dept. needs to collect temporary road signs; drainage opposite Hobbs Boat still an issue.
- **Play Area inc. inspection report:** Cllr. Rosser to compare specifications of previously proposed replacement swing with Wickstead's: depending on the most appropriate, Clerk was charged to instigate order (Proposed by Chairman, seconded: Cllr. Rosser). Cllr. Rosser will look at grant opportunities for the long term. Inspection reports received: abandoned tricycles to be removed from Play Area; Clerk to request low hanging branches to be removed.
- **Grounds Maintenance & General Maintenance Issues:** Recent 'guerrilla gardeners' floral displays around the village commended. Cllr. Gooding announced the good news that the Harvest Home Committee had agreed to provide a new bench for the Play Area similar to those on the cricket field. PC would consider contributing to the cost of a new bench for Eastertown.
- **Drainage Issues:** Awaiting date/s for meeting with Drainage Board; still query as to when dredging of rhyne behind School / Pre-School would be planned – Cllr. Tuttiett to check.
- **Footpaths:** Clerk had emphasised to Improvement Scheme Delivery Dept. the PC's long standing wish to seek a safe pedestrian route in the village; Cllr. Hoare to look at stile & footpath near Batch; report of a dog off leash by footpath – concerns should be passed to Dog Warden.
- **Affordable Housing:** Awaiting latest update.
- **Village Events:** Hallowe'en children's party at the Pavilion on the day; Fri. 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. Beaujolais evening.
- **County / District Issues:** Nothing received apart from those noted in Correspondence.
- **Clerk:** Clerk had met with Website designer & hoped that a 'work in progress' would be online for 2015; Copse Corner notice-board ordered. As previously requested, Clerk outlined Parish Councillor qualification requirements

**82/14 Planning Applications:** None.

**83/14 Correspondence of Note:** Following notification of following week's Development Committee meeting with agenda to include Solar Farm, it was agreed that the Clerk would represent the PC's views on the issue. Agreed grant to Mendip Community Transport of £25 (Prop: Cllr. Male, sec: Cllr. Gooding – all agreed). Clerk to advertise need for a new editor of the Lympsham News following P. Kelson's notice of his future resignation.

**84/14 Finance Report:** (inc. cheques listed below)

C/A: £11,219-72 [inc. second part of Precept]

S/A: £2,429-93

VAT: £419-60

Player-Mason A/C: £2,384-27 [N.B. £145 to be trans. to C/A; window to be cleaned.]

Petty Cash: £79-83

**85/14 Cheques issued since last meeting:** None.

**86/14 Cheques issued at October meeting:** 101456 P. Kelson £210 (Lympsham News);  
101457 Whitehouse Kennels £72 (Dog bin serv.); 101458 HMRC £321-40 (PAYE);  
101459 Clerk's salary & expenses £428-40.

**87/14 Items for Discussion / Report at next meeting (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014):** None.

The meeting ended at 9.04 p.m.