

Minutes of Lympsham Parish Council Meeting, 23 June 2014

Councillors Present: Mr. J. Hinton (Chairman), Mr. R. Jones, Mrs. E. Male, Mrs. J. Rosser & Mr. G. Tuttiett.
Also present: District Councillors R. Filmer & A. Gilling.

Minutes were taken by the Clerk.

51/14 Apologies: Mr. B. Gooding & Mr. R. Hoare. (Accepted).

52/14 Minutes of Previous Meeting (19.5.14): were confirmed and signed.

53/14 Matters Arising / for report from previous meetings:

- **Neighbourhood Watch:** Few recent alerts; Speedwatch continues, soon to be supported by motorcycle officers.
- **Lympsham First School:** Nothing to report.
- **Manor Hall:** Clerk had renewed insurance policy.
- **Lympsham Pre-school:** Formal letter still required re 'Meadow Project'.
- **Highways:** Clerk reported various responses; concerns expressed re people walking down main road from Delhorn Farm & various overgrown hedges around Parish.
- **Play Area inc. inspection report:** Awaiting RoSPA report; Cllr. Male supplied inspection report & mentioned that swing chains sometimes twisted up.
- **Grounds Maintenance & General Maintenance Issues:** Pound has been replenished; dog deposits again on field.
- **Drainage Issues:** Clerk reported continued correspondence re local issues; Dist. Councillors reported that the sluice gate at Bleadon was the responsibility of Bristol Waterworks: needs to be replaced at a cost of £2 million, but requires redrafting of act of Parliament.
- **Footpaths:** Brambles reduced.
- **Affordable Housing:** Update from D. Harvey.
- **Village Events:** Church Fayre on Saturday 28th June; School Fete on Saturday 12th July (inc. Family Lego competition). NGS at The Manor was successful with a lot of local helpers. The Chairman reminded the meeting that W-s-M Lions offer grants to youth organisations under 'Go Kids Go.'
- **County / District Issues:** Dist. Cllr. Gilling gave update on drainage & dredging situation including the creation of Somerset Rivers Board: the extension of the catchment area should help Sedgemoor finances. Dist. Cllr. Filmer gave update re wind farms.
- **Clerk:** Items mentioned elsewhere.

54/14 Planning Applications:

[Both District Councillors left the room; Cllr. Tuttiett declared an interest in the first item.]

31/14/00009/CJA Mr. & Mrs. Garfield, Crossways Farm, Eastertown: Demolition of existing office & workshop / store buildings, erection of building to form new workshop, store & office - Support as it will enhance the site & provide employment opportunities.

31/14/00010/LE Mr. Kiley, 4 The Crescent, Lympsham: Erection of single storey extension to rear (SW) elevation & conversion of part of loft to living accommodation, inc. raising the roof height & installation of dormer windows – Support as it reflects many similar neighbouring properties.

31/14/00011 Boley Partnership, on land at Batch End Farm, Batch Lane, Lympsham: Erection of agricultural building.
N.B. Notice of Agricultural Devt: Formal application not required – Noted.

31/14/00012/CJA Mr. M. Bingham, OS Field No. 7229, Brean Road, Lympsham: Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of land to site two static caravans – 'Certificate of lawfulness' is more a legal issue than planning; SDC should be aware of history of site.

Discussion re residences used as business premises: Clerk to seek clarification.

55/14 Correspondence of Note: Circulated: Sponsorship agreed re Flower Show similar to last year: £65 [Proposed by Cllr. Tuttiett, seconded by Cllr. Rosser – all agreed]. Donation agreed donation of £50 for Somerset Wildlife Trust re owl project [Proposed by Cllr. Rosser, seconded by Cllr. Tuttiett – all agreed].

56/14 Finance Report: (inc. cheques listed below)

C/A: £8,051-22

S/A: £2,429-09

VAT: £330-30

Player-Mason A/C: £2,379-50 [N.B. £145 to be trans. to C/A; window to be cleaned.]

Petty Cash: £73-75

57/14 Cheques issued since last meeting: 101440 Petty cash £100; 101441 Whitehouse Kennels £90 (Dog bin serv.).

58/14 Cheques issued at June meeting: 101442 Butt Media Solutions £948 (Lympsham News);
101443 Clerk's salary & quarterly office expenses £528-60.

59/14 Items for Discussion / Report at next meeting (Monday 21st July 2014 subsequently postponed until Monday 11th August): Cllr. Tuttiett raised issue of recognition for community members: Cllr. Jones to research.

The meeting ended at 9.05 p.m.