

# **WESTONZOYLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27 JUNE 2011 AT 7PM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WESTONZOYLAND**

PRESENT: Mrs Fisher (Chairman), Mr Milbank (Vice-Chairman), Cllrs Alder, Beale, Burge, Carson and Evans

APOLOGIES: Mr Griffith

### **13/11 Co-Option to Vacancy**

One position was available and Mrs Jacqueline Ballard had confirmed her interest in being co-opted onto the Parish Council.

**RESOLVED:** That following notice of the vacancy Mrs Ballard be co-opted to the Council.

### **14/11 Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 16/05/11**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16/05/11 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### **15/11 Matters Arising**

- i. **Standby building – update and grant report to Levels & Moors community fund** (Min 05/11). The Clerk confirmed that the balance of grant and the Parish Council's contribution had been passed to the Standby Building Committee. The Levels & Moors community fund quarterly report was being completed. The contract for the two remaining flat roofs to complete the work to make the building wind and water-tight was being let and additional interior work being undertaken, including upgrading the showers. Following on from the work undertaken so far a submission was being made to the Moors Cluster Group for funding for a much bigger project building on the work already undertaken. This had been submitted for RLT3 funding and would be considered at the Moors Cluster on Thursday 30/06/11.
- ii. **Community centre recreation field and carnival shed** (Min 05/11ii). The Clerk indicated that further complaints had been received about the untidy state of the storage area on the end of the building. Mr Burge in his capacity as Chairman of the Carnival Club confirmed that most of the models had been removed with the exception of two half dragons and that these, any other materials, and the green cabinet would be removed by no later than the next meeting of the Parish Council.

### **16/11 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 16/05/11**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes and items discussed be noted.

### **17/11 PCSO Report**

No report had been received although PCSO Helen Whitehead had confirmed that one was in preparation. *(Report since received and circulated by e-mail).*

**18/11**      **Audit of Accounts 2010/2011 and Governance Statement (Min 07/11)**

The Chairman and Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer had signed the accounts and submitted them to the external auditors.

Copies of revised Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were circulated and would lie on the table for submission for approval to the next meeting. Members approved an amendment to the contracts section (11i), members agreed to reconsider the figures with the £2500 being set at £1000

**RESOLVED:** That the action taken in approving the accounts and governance statement and submission to audit be endorsed and the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations submitted for approval at the next meeting.

**19/11**      **Allotments – Update and Formation of WAGS (Wetonzoyland Allotment Gardeners)**

Members noted the formation of WAGS. They also received representations from the organisation who had also examined various pieces of land in the village. They indicated that up to two acres was the requirement and a possible income of £300 per acre. A request had been submitted to the Somerset Young Farmers, but although discussed at their Committee had not been successful. It was understood their concerns were loss of rental and access to land that was presently let to a local farmer. Various options were considered to be followed up, including re-examining the land in the Parish Council's ownership adjoining the New Cemetery.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the Parish Council undertake a site visit at the Cemetery prior to the next meeting;
2. that the following land be checked out: adjoining Bob Heard's, adjoining Bob Shorthouse, Notaro land, and land at Broadstone;
3. that the following issues be checked in relation to the cemetery
  - a. impact on bereaved families and neighbours
  - b. access
  - c. car parking facilities
  - d. possible funding via RLT3 and ILP be examined and the suggestion as previous in relation to usage of unused garden areas might also be followed up

**20/11**      **Planning Applications**

53/11/12      renovation of existing building and link extension, etc at Shillingsbury Church Lane;

53/11/13(LP) as above;

53/11/15      restore rear garden boundary walls at 20 Fore Street;

53/11/16(LB) as above;

53/11/17 removal of conditions relating to new access to retain existing at land to west of 34 Monmouth Road;

53/11/19 residential development west of 1 Broadstone;

**RESOLVED:** That no objection be raised to any of the applications.

*(Cllr Alder declared an interest in all applications as a member of the SDC Development Management Committee and took no part in the consideration and did not vote thereon).*

**21/11**      **Accounts for Payment and Receipt**

**RESOLVED:** That the accounts listed for payment (including Section 137 payments) contained in the Clerk's report dated 20/06/11 be approved.

**22/11**      **Publications and Correspondence**

**RESOLVED:** That the items recorded in the report dated 20/06/11 be noted and actioned, where appropriate:

1. Emergency planning and rest centres and help in communities – Community Centre, School and Church Hall suggested;
2. Community Council for Somerset – membership – referred to Management Committee;
3. Bus Guide – services to Yeovil and Langport
4. Community Centre management committee – request to follow up dog fouling with request for dog warden surveillance
5. Parish magazine – July 2011
6. Policy RLT3 application (outdoor sites and sport) – conversion of standby building as sports pavilion and request for reallocation of funding – support confirmed as reference min 15/11 above
7. Temporary road closure Liney Road
8. SDC – ground maintenance and other services, including tree surgery - noted
9. Magazines, posters and product information

**23/11**      **Meetings Calendar 2011/2012**

**RESOLVED:** that this be approved.

**24/11**      **Additional Items**

1. Rubbish clearance at new cemetery – offer of £250 to share collection at community centre
2. Townsend – request for one-way and 20mph limit with speed ramps – referred to Highway Authority
3. Reference above to dog wardens and surveillance of recreation field – raise issues through parish magazine
4. Battlefield prints – now passed to the PCC with any sales to Church funds
5. Church path overgrowing on both sides – request clearance.

The meeting finished at 9.05pm.

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Chairman