

WESTONZOYLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 28 JUNE 2010 AT 7.30PM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE WESTONZOYLAND

PRESENT: Mrs Burgess (Chairman), Mrs Fisher (Vice-Chairman), Cllrs Keith and Milbank

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Alder, Beale, Evans and Griffiths

13/10 Minutes of the Meeting of the Council – 17/05/10

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2010 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

14/10 Matters Arising

i. Appointments 2010/2011:

RESOLVED: That the Westonzoyland Primary School Governing Body and Mr Male (as LEA Governor) be deleted from the list of appointments;

ii. Community Centre Extension & Moors Cluster meeting – the proposals had been supported by the Parish Council and received approval at the recent Cluster meeting. Of £62,000 available some £25,000 had been earmarked for the Westonzoyland project. Mrs Fisher and Mr Keith reported on their attendance at the Cluster and the way in which the project was proposed to be taken forward. The first stage building work would now be put out to tender in accordance with the more detailed drawings being drawn up; the second stage would be the connection to the existing and the third and final stage provision of car park etc. The results of the fixed price tender process would be submitted to the Grant Panel of SDC, possibly in August. The Cluster had confirmed the RLT grant required and the need to show what other monies were available.

iii. Standby Building – rating issues (Min 04/10.i). Information had been supplied to SDC and the rating issue was still being sorted.

iv. Children’s Play Area – completion certificate – this had been received together with some additional items, which would be passed on to Ian Moore.

15/10 Affordable Housing Survey

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the example, information and survey circulated, Felix Marsh and the Community Council be invited to undertake the housing needs survey in the village.

16/10 Planet Aid UK Textile Recycling

The only location possible would be the Community Centre, but units had recently been removed because of the problems they encouraged.

RESOLVED: That the request be declined, particularly in light of the clothes collection now being organised by SDC.

17/10 **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 17/05/10**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes and items discussed be noted.

18/10 **Local Action Team**

It was understood that the area covered by the local action team and PSCO Helen Whitehead, had now been changed. No further report/information was available.

19/10 **Audit of Accounts 2009/2010 and Governance Statement**

The Clerk circulated copies of the accounts including the income and expenditure account for the year ended 31/03/10, the balance sheet at 31/03/10 and the notes to the accounts. The Internal Auditor had confirmed the general good governance of the Council's affairs. New model standing orders had been produced and it would be appropriate to review the financial regulations when the new model standing orders were introduced.

RESOLVED: That the Accounts be signed by the Chairman and the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer; and the governance statement of assurance be approved for reference to the external auditors.

20/10 **Future Joint Funding of Local Services and Facilities**

The Clerk reported a further letter from SDC following the executive's consideration of the parish workshop. This indicated services which were suggested as being suitable for the removal of district council funding and for funding at the local level. Members noted the position of the services in relation to what was already undertaken by the Parish Council.

RESOLVED: To await further information

21/10 **Electoral Review of Sedgemoor – Draft Recommendations**

The Clerk reported on the draft recommendations from the local government boundary commission which recommended a total of 48 members for the whole of the Sedgemoor district. There appeared to be little change to the Kings Isle Ward which included Westonzoyland and which it was planned would still return two members.

22/10 **Planning Applications**

53/10/06 air source heat pump at 15 Grays Avenue
53/10/08 extension at 24 Fore Street (LB application)

53/10/09 extension at 20 Fore Street
53/10/10 conversion of Barn D to dwelling at Morland Farm
53/10/11 extension at 35 Liney Road
53/10/13 extension and porch at 23 South View Road
53/10/14 conversion of Barn C to dwelling at Morland Farm
53/10/18 extensions at Apple Tree Cottage, 10 Fore Street

RESOLVED: That no objection be raised to any of the applications, with the exception of 53/10/08 and /09 where a condition be recommended to the effect that the extension/garage should not be used as a separate unit of living accommodation.

(No village objections received).

23/10 Lakewall – Extension to Pig Unit (application no. 53/09/34 - Decision

RESOLVED: That the position with this application be noted including the intention to view a similar site and the variations proposed to the Section 106 Agreement.

24/10 Accounts for Payment and Income

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed for payment contained in the Clerk's report dated 21/06/10 including the payment to Mr IS Moore of £1623.00 be confirmed.

25/09 Publications and Correspondence

RESOLVED: That the items recorded in the report 21/06/10 be noted and actioned, where appropriate:

1. New cemetery fencing quotation – Reed Engineering - accepted;
2. Moors Parish Cluster Group – 24/06/10
3. Community Centre Management Committee 07/06/10
4. Hinkley Point C Connection project update and project news
5. Policing Plan 2010/2013
6. Somerset Hedge Group – referred to Mr Milbank
7. Accident on A372 report
8. Battlefield – quote for replacement “staddlestone” – referred to SDC and onward to SCC
9. Somerset Rail Guide issue 2010 issue 9
10. Parish Magazine – June 2010
11. Magazines, posters and product information

26/10 Additional Matters

- i. Cemetery Field Hay – the hay had been cut and baled by Mr Malcolm Neil in return for supply of gravel for the access way
- ii. Community Centre Recreation Field bench – check feasibility of restoring old one to be made and subject thereto decision at next meeting where new one maybe provided (reference back to Liz Toose letter)
- iii. Standby – closure proposal or refit – to be included as agenda item at the next meeting with public and organisation views invited.

27/10 Next Meeting

In accordance with the calendar of meetings the next meeting will be held on 16 August 2010. The meeting finished at 9.10pm.

Signed

Chairman