

WIVELISCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on MONDAY 6th APRIL 2009 at 7.00 pm in the Community Centre.

1. **PRESENT**

D Luxton (Chairman), Mesdames B Boyland, S Fairfax and M Whitmarsh, B Collingridge, P Langdon, R Matcham, J Ollerenshaw, P Parker, T Parker, A Somerfield, B Whitman and M B Wilson.

In attendance: David Leggett (Clerk)

Also present: PC Nick Feetenby and 4 members of the public.

2. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Sir H Farrington and P Berman.

3. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th March 2009, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

Highways Matters The Clerk reported that Dennis Quick had put in hand works for refurbishment of the white lining at Croft way traffic lights, patching work in West Road and correcting the functioning of street lights in Burgess Lane.

Proposed Waiting Restrictions, Wiveliscombe It was reported that the Public Notice was published on 26th March.

Croft Way Pedestrian Crossing Information that plans for the proposed crossing incorporate speed cushions and chicanes had been circulated to members. The clerk was asked to enquire where the speed survey leading to these proposals was carried out and to try to get someone from Taunton Deane BC to talk to the Parish Council about the need for these measures.

Gadds Lane Boundary Wall Ralph Matcham reported that work had begun to make the wall safe.

Lower Grants farm Log Cabin Phil Hogg, Planning Support Officer had notified the clerk that a planning application had been submitted that will cover the log cabin for the occupation of the owners while they are doing the barn conversion.

Pollution of Stream Both the Clerk and Bryn Wilson had been in touch with the Environment Agency who are investigating.

Grants Lane Nameplate The nameplate is now in place at Langley Cross. The Parish Council decided not to pursue further the suggestion of a finger post pointer.

Resiting of Dog Bins It was confirmed that the Dog Bin in North Street Car Park had been relocated, but that the Jews Lane bin has not yet been resited.

Parking Group The following were appointed to serve on a parking group to meet with representatives of the Business Group and hopefully, the Civic Society, to tackle all aspects of parking in Wiveliscombe and to speak with one voice in future discussions with Taunton Dean Borough Council to resolve issues identified: Brian Collingridge, Brenda Boyland, Colin Cridland, Tim Parker, Bill Whitman, Sara Fairfax and Mary Whitmarsh. The first meeting was arranged for Wednesday, 22nd April at 7pm.

Waiting Restrictions The Parking Group agreed to meet with Ian Titcombe of TDBC to discuss possible waiting restrictions at the junction of Ford Road and Taunton Road and other sites on 22nd April at 11am.

Living Willow Sculpture The Parish Council confirmed its consent to the creation by the ECO Youth Group of a living willow sculpture in the form of a bench in Jubilee Gardens.

4. **MATTERS ARISING (Continued)**

Power of Well Being A detailed report on the possibilities and limitations of the availability of this new power, having previously been circulated, was discussed briefly. The matter is to be carried forward for further consideration at the next meeting.

Proposal for Salt Bin in Spring Gardens The Parish Council decided to continue to review this proposal in the light of the cost of supplying such bins throughout Wiveliscombe.

5. **PLANNING**

The Clerk reported that the following application had been withdrawn:

49/09/0005 Land adjacent to Langley House, Wiveliscombe

Change of use of agricultural land to wild life/casual recreation area including new lake, landscaping, boundary fencing, footpaths and associated parking

The Clerk reported that conditional planning permissions had been granted in respect of the following applications:

TDBC 49/08/0051 Ford Gate Cottage, Ford, Wiveliscombe

Change of use of agricultural land to domestic and parking area (retrospective)

TDBC 49/08/0066 14, West Street, Wiveliscombe

Erection of additional toilet facilities and roof cover to walkway

SCC PC/4/49/08/0068 Hillsmoor Sewage Treatment Works

Construction of 3 kiosks plus extension of the site boundary

TDBC 49/07/0073 16 North Street, Wiveliscombe

Erection of 2 Four bedroomed detached dwellings and associated garaging (Resubmission)

The Clerk reported that the following applications had been received:-

49/09/0002/LB London House, West Street, Wiveliscombe Installation of satellite dish

The Parish Council had no comment to make

49/09/0008 Greenway Farm, Wiveliscombe Conversion of barns adjoining farmhouse into ancillary living accommodation and annexe flat *The Parish Council supported the application*

49/09/0010 Maundown Farm, Wiveliscombe Erection of 3 bay garage

The Parish Council supported the application

49/09/0011 Uplands, 6 Richard Beaton Close, Wiveliscombe Erection of a conservatory

The Parish Council had no comment to make

PC/4/49/09/0012/KT (Somerset County Council) Kingsmead Community School Block B and parts of block A Replacement of wall-hung tiles with Cedral Weatherboard

The Parish Council supported the application

49/09/0013 Land opposite 4 Palace Gardens, Wiveliscombe Erection of dwelling

The Parish Council had no comment to make

49/09/0015/T St Andrew's Church, Wiveliscombe Application to fell 2 Cypress trees included in preservation order *The Parish Council supported the application*

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Reformed Wiveliscombe Area Business Group The Parish Council had received an invitation to appoint a representative to attend monthly WABG meetings, which are to be held on the 4th Monday each month. Ralph Matcham was so appointed. Guy Wilkes, Chair of the Business Group had also requested help from the Parish Council in updating the local business database on the website. It was decided that this request should be further explored by Ralph Matcham, Brian Collingridge and Mary Whitmarsh, who will all be attending the WABG meetings.

Section 106 Money from Alenslade Development Taunton Deane's Community Leisure Officer has confirmed that monies have been received from the developer and remains available towards active recreation. The clerk is to contact Taunton Deane to convey the Parish Council's request that the money is used for pavilion improvements at the Recreation Ground.

Suggestion for White Line at Langley Cross A suggestion had been received from Hilary Miller to prevent cars parking in front of the seat. This matter to be included in the Parking Group's deliberations.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE (Continued)**

Somerset Play Forum A request for information has been received regarding a play area development in Wiveliscombe. Mary Whitmarsh agreed to contact the forum to try to assist.

Rural Community Youth Work Project The Parish Council noted an invitation to a buffet and drinks followed by an end of project presentation to be held at The Base, Kingsmead School on 30th April at 6.30pm.

Emptying of Dog Bins The Clerk reported receipt of an invoice from Taunton Deane Borough Council in respect of dog bin emptying at Golden Hill/Burgess Lane for the year ended 31st March 2009 totalling £219.17 plus VAT. The Parish Council decided that the invoice should be returned unpaid as they believe Taunton Deane Borough Council to be responsible for this cost.

The Parish Council noted receipt of a number of items of correspondence as listed in the agenda for the meeting

The clerk reported the following correspondence received since the agenda was prepared:-

The Motor Cycling Club Official programme for London to Land's End Trial 10th/11th April

7. **POLICE REPORT/PACT**

PC Nick Feetenby informed the Parish Council of police investigation of two incidents in Wiveliscombe during March. He also reported a number of thefts from outbuildings during the early hours.

8. **FINANCE**

The most recent book-keeping was signed and the bank statements were endorsed as originals.

The following payments were approved:-

Payroll and expenses (2 cheques)	£487.22
C J Heard (Jubilee Gardens)	84.00
Somerset Association of Local Councils (Subscription 2009/2010)	601.24
Replicated Solutions (Website)	201.25
M Hendy (Footpath Maintenance etc)	553.00

£15.50 has been received for walkers books and £187.50 has been received in respect of rental of 15 allotments. All 2009 allotment rentals have now been paid.

9. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Mary Whitmarsh reported that Edward Gaines had been elected as the second Borough Councillor for the Wiveliscombe and West Deane ward. Mrs Whitmarsh congratulated John Ollerenshaw for the bulb planting on the roundabout.

10. **MATTERS OF REPORT**

Broken Bench The clerk is to arrange repairs to the broken seat in Croft Way.

Uneven Road Surface in West Road B3227 The clerk is to report to Taunton Highways.

Overhanging Hedge at 25 Golden Hill The clerk is to take action to have this trimmed.

Dog Mess in Nordens Meadow Playpark The clerk to investigate possible remedies.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.