

WIVELISCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on MONDAY 8th DECEMBER 2008 at 7.00 pm in the Community Centre.

1. PRESENT

D Luxton (Chairman), R Adams, Mesdames B Boyland and M Whitmarsh, B Collingridge, C Cridland, Sir H Farrington, P Langdon, R Matcham, P Parker, T Parker, A Somerfield, B Wilson, and David Leggett (Clerk).

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from P Berman, W Whitman and J Ollerenshaw

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10th November 2008, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record, with amendments to reflect the attendance of P Langdon and the receipt of apologies from Sir H Farrington.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Appointment of Internal Auditor The Parish Council appointed Mr Bryan Howe of 23 Alexandra Road, Minehead as internal auditor for the year ending 31st March 2009.

Recreation Ground Management The clerk reported receipt of a copy of the Revised Constitution signed by both the chairman of the Trustees and the chairman of the Parish Council.

Gadds Lane (Boundary Wall) The clerk reported that his latest enquiry of TDBC's Building Control Manager has discovered that the quote from the DLO for necessary works has proved to be too great for TDBC to take up and that further estimates to make the wall safe are being sought. The clerk is to notify TDBC of the Parish Council's continuing concern over this unsafe wall which was first brought to The Borough Council's attention over six months ago. Ralph Matcham is also to seek a meeting with the Building Control Manager to press for urgent remedial work as the closure of the path effected by the Borough Council is being ignored by pedestrians who therefore remain at risk of injury in the event of a wall collapse.

Land Registry – Voluntary First Registration of Title The Parish Council agreed that the two plots of land owned by the Parish Council – Jubilee Gardens and the Plain Pond Allotments should be registered at the combined fee of £30 as quoted by the Land Registry.

PACT / Police Attendance PC John Swayne had informed the clerk that the PACT meeting set by Taunton Deane for 25th November had been cancelled at the last minute with no reason given and no new date had yet been set. A list of parish Councillors email addresses will be sent to PC Swayne to enable them to receive relevant information.

Litter Bin, The Square Bryn Wilson reported that Taunton Deane Borough Council were trying to arrange a replacement liner for the bin which had been removed for repair.

Norden's Meadow Tim Parker reported the unsatisfactory condition of the rubberised surface in the gated under-5s play area. The clerk confirmed that this problem had been referred to Taunton Deane's parks department and that he had made further enquiries of TDBC's legal department regarding the adoption of the land.

5. **WIVELISCOMBE CONSOLIDATED CHARITIES** The re-nomination of Miss Hilary Miller as Trustee was confirmed.

6. **PLANNING**

The Clerk reported that the following planning permission had been granted by Taunton Deane Borough Council:-

49/08/0054 The Granary, White House Mews, North Street, Wiveliscombe
Erection of two dormer windows to south side of roof

The Clerk reported that the following appeal had been lodged:-

49/08/0016 Wivey View, Whitefield Rocks, Wiveliscombe
Removal of condition 11 of permission 49/2003/061, to allow residential usage of Wivey View, Higher Whitefield, Wiveliscombe

The Clerk reported that the following Amended Enforcement Notice had been issued:

24 Silver Street, Wiveliscombe.

Enforcement Notice requiring rebuilding of part of the building in connection with, without planning permission, redevelopment of a shop and storage/garage to form a dwelling with replacement of shop front

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

49/08/0055 Land adjacent Coopers Heights, Wiveliscombe

Outline application for the erection of two town houses

The Parish Council objected to the application as the development is so close to one of the surrounding industrial sites as to be likely to incur nuisance from it. There are concerns over access.

49/08/0058 Pyncombe Farm, Pyncombe Lane, Wiveliscombe

Conversion of barn to dwelling

The Parish Council had no objection

49/08/0059 Lower Grants Farm, Ford, Wiveliscombe,

Conversion of barn to dwelling (The Granary) and erection of garage (amended scheme)

The Parish Council objected to the application because of concerns over access

49/08/0060 Rileys Byre, Lower Grants Farm, Ford, Wiveliscombe,

Conversion of barn to dwelling and erection of garage (amended scheme)

The Parish Council objected to the application because of concerns over access

49/08/0061 Land adjacent to Hartswell House, Hartswell, Wiveliscombe

Erection of dwelling and garage .

The Parish Council had no objection

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Freedom of Information Act The Parish Council adopted the new Model Publication Scheme. A working party comprising Brian Colleringridge, Bryn Wilson, Tim Parker and Colin Cridland was set up to consider how best to make available the necessary information, to recommend charges and to complete the Council Guide to Information.

10 Parishes Community Plan Group The Parish Council were informed that the communities of the 10 parishes are being asked to come forward with suggestions for projects to be included in the Action Plan for the next five years within the goals, objectives and targets which have been set. All households should have received a leaflet to this effect. All councillors are invited to consider ideas for projects.

7. CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

Digital UK -TV Switchover to Digital It was agreed that information received regarding the future TV switchover to digital should be published in the Wiveliscombe Messenger.

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:-

SALC Items of Interest to Councillors and Clerks December 08 Issue

Somerset Rural Youth Project Autumn 08 Newsletter

Somerset Matters Autumn 08 Newsletter

South West Employers Annual Conference Taunton 12 Feb 09

Taunton Deane Borough Council Agenda 09 Dec 08

8. PCSO REPORT/PACT

No report was received and regrettably no police representative was present.

9. ACCOUNTS

The most recent book-keeping was signed and the bank statement was endorsed as an original.

The following payments were approved:-

Royal British Legion (2 wreaths)	32.00
C J Heard (Jubilee Gardens)	92.00
Clerk's salary & expenses	424.77
HMRC-PAYE	76.60
Wiveliscombe Community Centre (Hall Hire)	48.00
10 Radio- Precept Grant 2008/9	545.00
1 st Wiveliscombe Scout Group- Precept Grant 2008/9	154.00
-Donation re delivery	50.00
Land Registry Registration Fee	30.00

A cheque for £5.00 and a remittance of £28 have been received from Gardners Books and TDBC respectively for purchases of Walkers' Books.

10. WIVELISCOMBE AREA PARTNERSHIP REPORT

Brian Collingridge reported that the Housing Needs Survey questionnaires had been delivered by the scouts to all households.

11. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mary Whitmarsh reported more details of proposals being considered by Taunton Deane Borough Council to achieve budget savings for the next financial year. No decisions have yet been made.

12. MATTERS OF REPORT

The Parish Council were informed that the problem of parking around Wyndhams remains, as the waiting restrictions which were agreed in May 2008, have not yet been implemented.

At times recently the area has been filled with parked cars, preventing access by ambulances and refuse collection vehicles. The clerk is to follow up the implementation with Ian Titcombe, Somerset County Council's Traffic Engineer, who agreed the scheme.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.