

- 07/08/111 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Mackay (in the Chair), Chilcott, Fraser and Jones
- 07/08/112 **APOLOGIES:** Cllr Westmaas (holiday)
- 07/08/113 **ALSO PRESENT:** 7 members of the public, DCllr Kingham, CCllr Huxtable
- 07/08/114 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Clerk to the Council.
- 07/08/115 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Were approved and signed
- 07/08/116 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Cllr Chilcott declared an personal interest in the erection of a barn in planning but there were no decisions to make on this agenda item.
- 07/08/117 **PUBLIC PERIOD:** The public were advised to indicate if they wished to speak on an item.
- 07/08/118 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** CCllr Huxtable reported that the Unitary bid by SCC had been rejected and the County and District would now have to work together. He thought the Area Panel meetings may come to an end. The funding for these had taken £1.2m from the Adult Social Care budget. A couple of extra police community support officers had been provided.
- 07/08/119 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** DCllr Kingham reported on the gypsy site at Rocksbridge which required a great deal of expenditure as a result of a government initiative. This included the provision of a bund to protect the residents from motorway noise.
- 07/08/120 **HIGHWAYS:**
- Any updates on previous problems incl Old Bakery run-off; King William Road - It was expected that the developers would shortly tarmac the road and include drainage in the works.
  - Problems arising - Large pothole outside Old Bakery requires attention.
  - Temporary road closure of Lippetts Way from Weares Lane, Catcott to Limekiln Crossroads, Shapwick - 1<sup>st</sup> October for one month.
- 07/08/121 **PLANNING:**
- Any updates on previous applications incl:
    - 14/07/00007 Erection of 2 storey dwelling on land to South of Old School House - Granted
    - 14/07/00008 Erection of builders store partly on site of existing lean to buildings at barn adjoining Northbrook Farm - Granted
    - 14/07/00009 Erection of detached garage and formation of access at 9 Lippetts Way - Refused
  - 14/07/00010 Erection of Agricultural Workers Dwelling on Land to the East of Langlands Farm - Clerk red the letter she had sent to SDC in response to this following consultation with members of the council.
  - 14/07/00012 Erection of dwelling, garage and formation of access on Land to West of 3 Weares Lane - no new plans received.
  - 14/07/00013 Erection of straw/hay barn (Notice of Proposed Agricultural Development.) - no consultation with parish.
  - Village Design Statement - The printing of this had proved unsatisfactory and a reprint is taking place. CCllr Huxtable agreed to meet all additional costs.
- 07/08/122 **EMERGENCY PLANNING:** This is still in circulation.
- 07/08/123 **PLAY AREA - SWINGS:** Cllr Chilcott outlined the problems experienced as a result of the new swings proving too large for the site owing to new safety regulations. A new quote from two firms was being sought.
- 07/08/124 **WELLFIELD NOTICEBOARD:** Cllr Mackay had been unable to fix the board up but would do so as soon as possible.
- 07/08/125 **INFORMATION LEAFLET FOR NEW RESIDENTS:** to consider information to be included and the way forwards towards production. All councillors to bring ideas to the next meeting.
- 07/08/126 **RIGHTS OF WAY AND FOOTPATHS:** no problems reported.
- 07/08/127 **COUNCILLOR TRAINING - SDC:** Clerk drew this to the attention of members.
- 07/08/128 **LANDFILL COMMUNITIES FUND:** leaflet had been given to all councillors. Cllr Mackay took one to pass on to Church.
- 07/08/129 **FINANCE:**
- Audit closure - Audit is complete and notice has been displayed for well over the statutory time.
  - Cheques for signature were approved as follows:- Chq.028 Moore Stephens (Audit) £170.38; Chq.029 Matthew Adams (Village maintenance) £80.00; Chq.030 J A Marshall (Clerk's salary and expenses) £321.71. A transfer form from NS to Nat West was also approved for signature. VDS extra charge would be paid on satisfactory completion of printing.
  - THANK YOU FROM ST PETER'S CHURCH:** this was read to the meeting.
  - VDS GRANTS RECEIVED AND REQUESTED:** The grant from SDC had been received. CCllr Huxtable would meet the rest of the cost.
  - INSURANCE:** The Clerk had been contacted by a firm of brokers regarding a possible alternative to the current insurers. The Clerk had left a message for Peter Lacey (SALC) asking if he could enlighten the Council in any way regarding this.
- 07/08/130 **SDC STANDARDS COMMITTEE:** Two representatives from parishes had been elected to the committee.
- 07/08/131 **WATERLINKS - THE RIVER FESTIVAL:** details put for circulation. Clerk had put details on the website.
- 07/08/132 **CPRE:** publications received were put for circulation.
- 07/08/133 **SALC & NALC:** SALC AGM on 29<sup>th</sup> September. Clerk unable to attend this year. AGM papers and others put for circulation.
- 07/08/134 **SDC & SCC:** Sedgemoor Customer Services Service Plan received.
- 07/08/135 **COMMUNITY COUNCIL - AGM TONIGHT:** Clerk had given the Council's apologies.
- 07/08/136 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION:** incl. LCR; C&C Direct.
- 07/08/137 **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Overhanging vegetation; loose dogs and dog fouling on school footpath; Church Way parking problems; cemetery provision.
- 07/08/138 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** 9<sup>th</sup> October 2007.

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