

Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held at Poyntington Village Hall on Thursday 2nd July 2009 at 7.30 p.m.

The following were present: Councillors Mason, Buckland, Mrs Dimond, Kellaway, Mrs Oliver, Perryman, Clerk Fraser, DCC Cllr Bevan, 0 members of the press, 3 members of the public.

Public Participation Session: There was discussion about the County Council Planning Committee's meeting on 17th July to deal with the application for reprofiling arable land at Townsend Farm, Poyntington. County Councillor Bevan said that he had visited the site and fully supported the parish council's objection to the application; he intended to be at the meeting and to speak. There was some discussion about whether to seek a postponement for a decision in order that a site visit could take place.

09.10 Apologies for absence: Cllr Hunt, DDC Cllr Gould, Representatives of Dorset Police

09.11 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda: Cllr Perryman expressed a personal interest in agenda item 6 (grant to Life Education, Dorset)

09.12 The minutes of the meeting held on 5th March 2009 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

09.13 **Matters arising:**

09.13.01 There were no matters arising: The clerk reported that he had extended an invitation to Firefighter Stuart Foster to address the parish council on fire safety issues, and that Age Concern Dorchester were offering advice on fuel poverty issues.

Adjournment session: Dorset County Councillor Michael Bevan introduced himself and expressed again his objections to the Townsend Farm landfill application, and promised to work on behalf of the interests of the inhabitants of the parishes. Former County Councillor Legg explained the reasons for the postponement of the plans to re-align Dancing Hill junction, and the clerk was asked to write to the County Council expressing the parish council's dismay and anxiety that this matter will not be delayed indefinitely.

09.14.1 The financial report for the year 2009-10 to date was received and accepted. .

09.14.2 Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary (June & July): £315.84; Hire of Poyntington Village Hall £15.00; *Queen Thorne* £50

09.15 Council decided not to make a S137 grant of £100 to Life Education Dorset, in the light of information concerning the funding arrangements of the organisation since receiving the original letter of request.

09.16 **Planning applications dealt with since last meeting or at this meeting:**

09.16.01 1/D/09/000949 Welgoer Farmhouse, Poyntington –Conservatory. Parish council recommendation: No objection

09.16.02 TP//09/00184 St Cuthbert's Church, Osborne. To perform a crown reduction & reshaping on 2 Yew trees (one in conservation area, one covered by TPO636-T1) and to reduce 2 Yew trees to 1-2ft (one in conservation area, one covered by TPO636-T2.Parish council recommendation: No objection

09.17 **The following reports on meetings attended were received:** There was nothing to report.

09.18 Council received the report "*Rights of Way in Castleton Parish*" by Mr J. Hart (Castleton ROWLO) and the clerk would write to Sherborne Town Council to remind them of the commitment to provide a disabled access gate & construct a new short section of path.

09.19 Council noted the list of other items of correspondence received by the clerk.

The following items were raised for next meeting's agenda:

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

The next meeting of Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council is scheduled for Thursday 3rd September 2009 at 7.30 p.m. at Osborne Village Hall.