

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 3rd July 2014:

The Council met in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. There was an attendance of 5 Parish Councillors and 4 Parishoners.

Apologies for absence: Devon County Councillor Mr Rufus Gilbert.

Open Forum: There were no issues for discussion.

District Councillors Report: The Chairman reported that the food bank in town hands out between 14 and 18 parcels per week. Tescos open day received a really good response from the public and food and cash donations were received as well as electricity top up vouchers. Dartmouth are holding simple cookery courses, something that Kingsbridge may well follow suit with to help those who may need a little help. A new drink drive awareness scheme which is now Europe wide but started in Devon called The Honest Truth is available for learner drivers in the form of an information pack, this is being given to driving instructors to pass on to their pupils. There was an Emergency Planning Awareness evening, something we have never been involved in before whereby all the emergency organisations attended. Perhaps we should have our own emergency plan in place should we ever need it, this is something to think about for the future.

Declarations of Interest: Mrs M. Kitt declared a personal interest once again in item 9 of Agenda, the Homefield site. Mr S. Wright declared an interest in planning which was neither personal or pecuniary.

Minutes of the last Meeting: The Minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 5th June 2014 were confirmed and signed. Copies thereof having been given to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

Chairmans Report: The Chairman reported that the overnight sleeping in the car park that was raised in a prior meeting has now been sorted. He had received an email from Mr K. Steer about the Bowringsleigh Fete which raised £1,964.00p which was about £486 down on last year, but attendance was also down. The contractor cutting the grass in the playing field is now removing the cuttings as requested.

Village Representatives Reports:

Mrs Kitt reported that the coffee mornings were continuing to be well attended. The Fun Day will be held on Saturday 20th September 2014 and a meeting to discuss plans is to be held on 17th July at 7.30 in the Ring O'Bells, although most helpers seem to know what they are doing. This year we are going to ask Mr Bill Crispin to open the event for us.

Homefield Update: Mr R. Ladkin and Mr A. Clarke met with Mr D. Kenyon. There are issues that still need to be resolved relating to the north west corner of the site and visual impact from the south and information from the architect. It was thought that an application could be in place within the next week or two. Highways have no overriding objection. The Butts site owned by the Rogers family, is being looked at again. Apparently an architect is going to be in touch with the work party and getting a scheme in place. The main objection previously was the access.

Playing Field Report: The schools sports ground proposal for the playing field would mean the removal of two items of our play equipment. The Chairman met with Mrs Mortimer at the school and he negotiated as hard as possible to get a contribution towards the cost our new play equipment. More information will be available at subsequent meetings. The fence behind the Village Hall needs to be done, as it is becoming very unstable and could pose a danger to the children if they

swing off it.

Planning and Updates: The K5 appeal has been held all the details will be in this weeks Gazette. With the conclusion to be given in August.

Financial Report:

The Clerk reported the following balances:

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| Lloyds current account | 1.397.86 |
| Lloyds savings account | 4.782.23 |
| Lloyds parish plan account | 499.68 |

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| Cheques to be drawn | Village Hall | 10.00 |
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A.O.B. Mrs Kitt wished to recommend Mr Graham Johns for co-option onto the Parish Council. Mr Johns explained a bit about why he would like to be a Parish Councillor. His co-option was proposed by Mrs M. Kitt, seconded by Mrs G. Rossetti. All in favour. Mr Johns was welcomed to the Parish Council.

The Chairman advised of a meeting that was to be held regarding the development of part of the Sparkwell golf course for 22 new houses. The Parish Council there are opposing it as are some of the residents.

Mrs G. Rossetti asked if a bigger rubbish bin could be placed in the Cattle Market Car Park as there is always so much litter around. The Chairman will look into this.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.07pm. The date of the next meeting being confirmed as Thursday 4th September 2014 at 7.00pm.

Signed Dated