

WEARE GIFFARD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting held at Weare Giffard Village hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 23rd. May 2007

Present:

Chairman: Mr. J. Ruston

Councillors:

Mr. D. Daniels

Mr R. Hedden

Mr. A Nickels.

Mr. R. Randell

Parish Clerk Mr B Wittram.

1. Prayers

2. Apologies: Councillor Mr. H. Curtis, District councillors Church and Lacey, County Councillor Mr. H. Barton. Rev. Penny Dobbin.

3. The minutes of 28th. March 2007 had been previously circulated and approved as a correct record.

4. Declaration of interest: Councillors Ruston, Nickels and Daniels item 11. Councillor Hedden item 8.

5. Matters arising from previous meeting 28-03-07.

a. Signage Cheese Factory- Now complete.

b. Concrete steps Sunnyside-quotation awaited. Clerk to pursue.

c. Letter from Lengthsman received detailing schedule of visits for the year-11-06, 6-08, 1-10, 26-11, 04-02, 31-3. Clerk to respond re. outstanding works.

d. Cops Rd. has been cleared

e. County Council have been contacted re. road condition near Halfpenny Bridge.

AGENDA ITEMS.

6. Neighbourhood Watch.

Chairman reported on a very successful meeting with the local Police attended by c40 villagers.

Jok Saunders of Kundu has kindly agreed to take over as Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator.

7. Annual Accounts

Clerk made them available for inspection at the meeting. Approved.

Financial controls and checks were discussed and agreed to be sound. Clerk to prepare a risk assessment for 07-08 accounts.

8. Planning

1/0503/2007/FUL –No objection from Parish Council following a site visit.

1/0503/2007/FUL- Little Weare Manor retrospective planning permission. No objection from Parish Council.

10. Financial Report.

Previous Balance 28-03-07

Investment acc. £1416.54

Bank Acc. £1976.57

Cheques in:

26-04-07 £1440 Torridge District Council precept. £60 annual membership of Devon Association of Parish Councils deducted at source.

Cheques out: 100056 £314-60. Community First Insurance.

Balances:-

Inv. Acc. £1416.54

Bank Acc. £1976.57

11. Annual Grants.

a. Agreed in principle to a joint application for a PA system from the following organisations:-

Cricket Club

Youth Club

Village Hall Committee

Holy Trinity Church.

Clerk to acquire quotation with a representative from each organisation.

b. £50 grant to Torrington Care Forum.

12. AOB

a. Concerns were expressed over parked cars at Honeycombe Cottage and Little Hill Cottage- Chairman to pursue.

b. Clerk to pursue if the footpath in Glebe Field has been strimmed.

13. Date of the next meeting. Wednesday 11th July 7.00 in the Village Hall for the AGM of the Parish Council and the next Ordinary Meeting