

2. Stone Plaque for the Queens Jubilee

Chair was asked by a member of the public if we could get a plaque like the ones already up at Bincome to celebrate the Queens Jubilee. Clerk has found out a price for the stone plaque like the ones already up at Bincombe for the celebrations of Queen Elizabeth. Including VAT the total price would be £55.00. It was proposed Cllr Barrow and seconded by Cllr Peaster. Clerk will get the plaque ordered.

3. Accounts

Clerk explained the accounts, the figures do not include any accrued expenses and are based on actual bank movements. Clerk gave a copy to all Cllrs.

4. Insurance Renewal Quotes

Clerk had done some research into getting another quote from an Insurance Company that specialises in Parish Councils. The quote that we recieved not only had extra cover but would save us £170. It was agreed that the Clerk would get this all set up.

5. Changing Bank

Clerk has been looking at changing banks, as the bank we use at the moment do not offer internet or telephone banking. If we had internet banking this would make keeping up to date with accounts and payments a lot easier. Clerk had found a bank that also specialises in Parish Councils called Unity Trust and offers all of what we need. It was agreed by all Cllrs that the Clerk could do the relevant paperwork and get this set up.

4.Chairman's Report

Chairman's report is attached.

5.Village Hall Report

Cllr Morgan said not a lot to report, the last meeting was spent sorting our the celebrations for the Jubilee. It was also mentioned that now Cllr Whittingham was not on the committee they were in need of another representative from the Parish Council.

6. District Councillor Report

Cllr Caswell started by saying that the new Planning Document that the IPC have just done is a fantastic read. Everything that needs to be covered is in there, it is in draft form at the moment. He also said it has been a very busy year for himself and Cllr Pay and would like to thank all the Parish Councils. A letter has been sent to all Parish Councils about meetings, some meetings of Parish Councils are on the same night but between himself, Cllr Edney and Cllr Pay they will try their hardest for one of them to always be present.

Cllr Edney endorses what Cllr Caswell said. He hopes that the Parish Councils will be content if only one of the District Councillors can make it if it is a very busy night.

Cllr Edney explained how the IPC has now merged and become Planning Inspectorate, it is still the same people involved and contact numbers. The Planning Inspectorate organised 4 meetings throughout May which were open to the public. The main topic that came up was the northern bypass. The Planning Inspectorate took note of what was said.

Cllr Edney also said there will be a few changes happening with the AONB as well as there have been a lot of cuts with their funding. They will be having a meeting soon and will keep us updated.

Cllr Edney asked if there were any questions.

Q, There have been rumours around that SCC are going to give Friends of Quantock Customs Common. Is this true?

A, It has been looked at as an option.

It was agreed that Over Stowey Parish Council wanted to express an interest into the Land and Cllr Caswell commented it might be a good idea to write to Cllr Huxtable noting our interest. Clerk will write a letter.

Q, With the Government making changes to the Core Strategy, how can we find out what the affects will be for Over Stowey as it has now be declared as non sustainable.

A, The Localism Bill that is out, developers will get planning but the Core Strategy safe guards some of these decisions. It's SDC way of stopping certain applications as some applications are not sustainable for small villages. Wind farms are dealt with individually. They might get planning if for example it proves it complies with the Power Core Strategy. Barn Conversions at the moment will only be approved through planning if it is to turn the barn into holiday accommodation, but this is being looked at again.

7.Meeting Open to Public Discussion Time

Mrs Shoosmith attended the meeting and asked about the Jubilee Celebrations. She asked if anything had been discussed about a plaque and also about the possibility of planting a tree up at Bincombe along with the plaques.

The plaque has been looked into and the Clerk was getting this ordered. It was mentioned that the Clerk could speak to Richard Ince and Matt Peaster about a possibility of a tree at Bincombe, what kind of tree and make sure the tree would not obstruct visibility.

Also for the Jubilee celebrations there is cream teas at the village hall on the Monday 4th June and also Plainsfield are holding a street party.

OVER STOWEY ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1 Adopting the Code of Conduct

All councillors have passed a resolution to adopt the code of conduct and signed the declaration of acceptance of Office.

2. Election of Chairman

Cllr Bartlett took the Chair and proposed Cllr Curtis as Chairman, seconded by Cllr's Barrow, Morgan, Cavill, Peaster. Cllr Curtis took the chair.

3. Election of Vice-Chairman

Proposed by Cllr Curtis, seconded by Cllr Cavill. Cllr Bartlett was elected Vice Chair.

4. Representation onto Over Stowey Village Hall and Recreation Management committee

Proposed by Cllr Curtis, seconded by all councillors present, Cllr Morgan was elected for the above.

7 April 2012 Minutes Approved

The minutes for the meeting on 16th April 2012 were approved by Cllr Peaster and seconded by Cllr Cavill.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9 PLANNING

There were no planning applications this month.

10 CORRESPONDANCE

SDC	Special Cluster Meeting
NSPC	LIR Report
Cluster Group	Cluster Letter to David Cameron
NSPC	Quantocks Cluster Representations
SDC	Agenda for Cluster Meeting 22nd May 12
SDC	What we did last year
SDC	Development committee Tuesday 29th May

11 FINANCAL MATTERS

Clerks wages March & April	192.96
Photocopies	12.00
Telephone Calls	5.00
Insurance	285.56
A Date	400.00

TOTAL OF MAY 2012 BILLS 895 POUNDS 52 PENCE

Cllr Bartlett proposed the above bills be paid, seconded by Cllr Barrow.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE ON
18th JUNE 2012 AT 7.30 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.