



OVER STOWEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish council meeting held on the 13th May 2013 in the village hall.

Present:

Parish Councillor	R Curtis (Chairman)
	B Bartlett (Vice Chairman)
	M Cavill
	D Peaster
	P Tully
	K Barrow
District Councillor	J Pay

1.APOLOGIES

County Councillor J Edney

District Councillor M Caswell

Parish Councillor S Morgan

2.Approval of Annual Parish Meeting May 2012

The Clerk reported that the minutes were approved for the annual Parish meeting for May 2012 at the Parish council meeting on 13th May 2013.

3.Chairman's Report

Chairman's report is attached.

4.Village Hall Report

Cllr Barrow started by confirming that the Village Hall is in a good financial position. Wendy and Kelvin from September will be giving up looking after the Village Hall on a voluntary basis and will become paid employees.

It was decided that the Village Hall committee would not apply for a grant to help with the cost of improving the access to the car park as they feel they have enough finances to deal to cover it. However they will apply for a grant

to re-surface the kids play area in the Cricket Grounds. They also want to repair the shed as it is leaking.

On behalf of the Cricket Club the Parish Council Clerk obtained application forms for RLT3 funding and the Grant Award Panel. Cllr Barrow will take them to the next Village Hall meeting. Cllr Pay mentioned the RLt2 fund might be another source of revenue, Clerk to investigate.

6. District Councillor Report

Cllr Pay apologised for the fact that she was unable to provide the annual report from SDC highlighting the previous years works eg highways drainage etc. She will forward as soon as she receives it.

The new road over the railway in Bridgwater connecting Morrisons and Bristol Road is now open for use.

An update for Hinkley Point C is that the work is currently on hold, until they receive an agreement from the Government as to what level of funding is granted.

Congratulations were in order for the re-election of County Councillor John Edney.

7.Meeting Open to Public Discussion Time

There were no members of the public present.

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1. Election of Chairman

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

2. Election of Vice-Chairman

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

3. Nominations of Representatives to Over Stowey Village Hall and Recreation Management committee

Proposed by Cllr Curtis, seconded by all councillors present, Cllr Barrow and Cllr Peaster were elected for the above.

4. Adopting Code of Conduct/Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Clerk handed out the forms, Declaration of Acceptance of Office for all Councillors to sign.

5. Approval of Parish Council Minutes 15th April 2013

The minutes for the meeting on 15th April 2012 were approved by Cllr Peaster and seconded by Cllr Tully.

6. Matters Arising

Grass Cutting Quotes

Cllr Peaster declared an interest.

All quotes were present and all Cllrs agreed unanimously for Wood-Land Southwest Limited to carry out the work.

Clerk will write and accept their quote and also the other companies to thank them for tendering.

Highways Update

Clerk had received the map and paperwork detailing the responsibilities for maintenance of hedges, ditches etc in the Parish.

Planning Updates, Bridleway through Pepperhill Farm and the Conditions/Restrictions at Great Wood

Clerk spoke to SDC about Pepperhill farm and the Case Officer was away but did speak to another person that was looking after the case. It was noted that there was a bridlepath running through the middle of the planned development. The officer confirmed that it would be taken into account and would either be improved or re-routed. They will keep the Clerk updated.

Clerk spoke to the Case Officer for Great Wood and was told that the restrictions they want to change are those applying to use for children only. They are applying to remove the restriction so that adults can be catered for. All other restrictions will stay in place. It will still be a camp for educational/residential purposes.

Cricket Ground Gateway

Please see Village Hall Report above.

A39 verge cutting, Cottage Inn and Bincombe Green

Daffodils and wild flowers are still flowering at Bincombe Green but as soon as they have stopped it will get cut back.

Mr Jeanes has given permission to spray weed killer along the fence by the A39. Cllr Barrow will cut the hedge by the Cottage Inn in the next few days.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no any other business.

8 PLANNING

Reference: 40/13/00009/CJA

Proposal: Erection of replacement of mess hut

Location: Greatwood Camp, Adscombe, Over Stowey, TA5 1HN

Applicant: Great Wood Trust

No objections were raised but it was to be noted that the restrictions and noise were not to be changed or increased.

Reference: 40/13/00010/SJH

Proposal: Erection of pole barn
Location: 3 Cockercombe, Over Stowey, TA5 1HJ
Applicant: Mr W P Cobbledick

No objections raised.

Reference: 40/13/00011/CG

Proposal: Change of use and conversion of two barns to dwelling and formation of access
Location: Marsh Mills Barn, Over Stowey
Applicant: Mr K Barrow

Cllr Barrow and Cllr Tully declared an interest and left the room.
No objections were raised, it was noted that it was better to improve these old barns that are falling down, than to leave them.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

AONB	April News 2013
SCC	Small Improvement Scheme-A39 Static Diversionary scheme Update
JAC	Minutes & Agenda
SDC	Cluster Meeting Agenda, 21st May 2013

10 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Clerks wages April	120.48
Photocopies	6.00
Telephone Calls	2.50
Ink	21.79
Insurance	279.42
Wessex Water	82.00

TOTAL OF MAY 2013 BILLS 512 POUNDS 19 PENCE

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

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE ON
17th JUNE 2013 AT 7.30 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**