

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 2nd November 2009, commencing at 6.30 pm
in PILNING Village Hall

COUNCILLORS Mr I Humphries (Chairman), Mrs F Barr MBE, Mrs N Bendall,
PRESENT (10) Mr J Black, Mrs N Chappell, Mr S Cooper, Mr D Humphries,
 Mr I Roberts, Mr N Webb, Mrs C Woodhouse.

Also Present:- J C Rawlinson (Clerk), Mr P Tyzack (S Glos Councillor), and 1
 member of the public (Mrs Barbara Matthews).

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE

Mr S Cooper (for expected late arrival, due work commitment – arrived at 7.05).

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Reehana Sayeed and Paul Godwin, Youth Services of S Glos Council, were in attendance. A summary document was distributed to all members. RS summarised the achievements of the local youth group which has now been established for about 1 year. Many funding opportunities have been pursued but funding is always problematic. FB was able to pledge a TV which she knew to be available.

Proposed IR, seconded CW, all agreed, that Council would fund the booking costs for the group, initially for 12 months, but on an ongoing basis. Current charge for use of SB VH is £45 per session (up to 3 hours each Monday). RS and PG expressed their thanks for the help of the council.

With the time now 6.50 pm the meeting was drawn to a close. IH thanked RS and PG for their attendance.

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2. MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 5th October were approved as a true record.

1. CW 2. FB All agreed.

3. ACTION/RELATED MATTERS

3 – 1 Roads/Road Signs

Work scheduled for the A403 (close to junction with Ableton Lane) has now been completed. The line marking/sign differential at the junction has been adjusted to improve vision to the south. Flooding nuisance at Severnwood Gardens continues but work is unlikely to be carried out until next year.

PT confirmed the 'parish' sign has been placed – by the Northwick turn off on the A403. S Glos are to have the sign re-mounted on the parish boundary.

3 - 2 Cemetery/Churches

FB confirmed that the 'lawn cemetery' sign has been promised for this week. The delay has been caused by machine and lettering problems with the printers.

3 - 3 Insurance/Legal Services

Agreed the Standards Committee should be invited to attend a council meeting.

3 - 4 Allotments

PT is actively pursuing the topic in regard to the rugby ground. He has stressed to the officers concerned that this land cannot simply be disposed of and much more discussion is required.

3 - 5 Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

The Traffic Commissioner is seeking comment re the licence application by Tesco for an operating centre to keep 165 goods vehicles and 255 trailers on their new site on Lanson Roberts Road. Agreed council should write indicating the problems that would result for local residents.

3 - 6 Sevenside Development

Following complaints by local residents councillors met with Mike Fish, agreeing that Emma Webster of Green Issues should be invited to attend a local meeting. Clerk is to contact EW to make arrangements.

4. CORRESPONDENCEAllotments

13571.01 Comment on use of rugby club ground for allotments.

Audit/Precept

13572.02 Notification of tax code for clerk.

Avon Local Councils Association

13573.03 Agenda, ALCA meeting of 22nd October, at Charfield/minutes of 30th July.

Campaign to Protect Rural England

13574.04 Branch AGM, 14th November at Tyntesfield.

13575.05 Annual Report, 2008/2009.

13576.06 AGM of Avonside group, 26th November at Yate.

13577.07 *Countryside Voice*, Autumn edition – circulated.

Clerk/Clerks Society

13578.08 Internet opportunities for Clerk training.

13579.09 *the Clerk*, July edition - circulated.

Employment/Opportunities

13580.10 Employer bulletin from HMRC.

Footpaths

13581.11 Brochure re Landmark signs.

13582.12 Comment by Pauline Williamson re access onto Bank Road.

13583.13 Report from Footpaths liaison group meeting – circulated.

Grass Cutting

13584.14 Brochure from Lister Wilder re maintenance of equipment.

ICI/Zeneca & Other Industries

- 13585.15 Stakeholder group meeting, 4th November.
13586.16 Notice of public exhibitions re Hinkley Point power station.
13587.17 Consent order + CD re Hinkley Point.

Insurance/Legal Services

- 13588.18 Legal Services info re Standards Committee dispensations.
13589.19 Possible visit by Standards Committee member.
13590.20 The Parish Council 'Toolkit'. CD for circulation.
13591.21 Standards Committee; vacancy for independent member.

Local Facilities & Amenities

- 13592.22 PA system, Pulse Megamouth - circulated.

Playgrounds/Youth Activities

- 13593.23 Product leaflet, Record of Selby.

Schools

- 13594.24 Invitation to Speech Day on 13th November.

Sevenside Development

- 13595.25 Comment by Emma Webster of Green Issues re work at Tesco site.
13596.26 No possibility for Article 4 Direction re Ellinghurst Farm.
13597.27 Tesco newsletter commenting on activities at the site.

Stationery/Circulars/Books

- 13598.28 *LCR*, autumn edition— circulated.

Trees/Tree Planting

- 13599.29 Forest of Avon Partnership to end with immediate effect.

Village Halls

- 13600.30 Statement of accounts, Pilning VH, 2008/2009.

Voluntary/Community Groups

- 13601.31 CVS South Glos: newsletter 32 - circulated.
13602.32 CVS seek Chief Officer.
13603.33 CVS AGM, 17th November, at Winterbourne.
13604.34 CVS newsletter, children and young people.
13605.35 Senior Citizens Forum, information days.
13606.36 SCF autumn newsletter - distributed.

Planning

- 13607.37 Enforcement Officer comment re caravans at Bank Road junction.
13608.38 Delegated decisions, w/e 29th August 2009.
13609.39 Delegated decisions, w/e 5th September 2009.
13610.40 Delegated decisions, w/e 12th September 2009.

Accounts/Donations

13611.41	PC World, inks for printer. Item 5-3 refers.
13612.42	Post Office, postage stamps. Item 5-4 refers.
13613.43	Post Office, Clerk's telephone, Oct/Dec. Item 5-5 refers.
13614.44	Lee's, keys for Bank Road gate. Item 5-6 refers.
13615.45	Grass Cutting Services, grass (October). Item 5-12 refers.
13616.46	Mr L Liddiatt, grass at Northwick. Item 5-8 refers.
13617.47	S Glos Council, dog bin service. Item 5-9 refers.
13618.48	Marlwood, award donation. Item 5-10 refers.
13619.49	SB VH, booking charge for FoSBR meeting. Item 5-11 refers.
13620.50	Donation by SB VH, banked.

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT

5 – 1	£ 769.00	J C Rawlinson	Clerk – Wages (October)	112
5 – 2	£ 50.00	J C Rawlinson	Petrol allowance	111
5 – 3	£ 37.98	PC World	Inks for printer	111
5 – 4	£ 6.00	Post Office	Postage stamps	111
5 – 5	£ 90.71	Post Office	Telephone/Internet	111
5 – 6	£ 7.40	Lee's	Keys	111
5 – 7	£ 600.00	Grass Cut Services	Grass Cutting	*
5 – 8	£ 805.00	L Liddiatt	Grass Cutting Northwick)	214
5 – 9	£ 275.31	S Glos Council	Dog bin service	CNE
5 – 10	£ 30.00	Marlwood School	Community award	137
5 – 11	£ 15.00	SB VH	Booking fee	145
	<u>£2686.40</u>			

Payments in accordance with Local Government Act 1972, sections as shown, except:

5 – 7	LG(MP) Act 1979, s19/Public Health Act 1875, s164
5 – 9	Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act 2005

Items 5-1 to 5-6, inclusive, paid as one cheque.

Current bank balance, prior to payments listed above

£59,515.30 (Interest included to end of June)

The accounts above were approved for payment.

1. FB 2. IR All agreed.

Monies received (last listing in September minutes)

Sept	R/f market insurance, Lucas Fettes	£ 55.00
Oct	Grant, Pilning VH	£3000.00
Oct	Grant, Village Players	£1350.00
Oct	Grant, SB VH	£ 92.74
Oct	Grant, Pilning VH	£2000.00
		<u>£6,497.74</u>

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None requested.

7. AGENDA

7 – 1 Severnside Development

The need to invite Emma Webster to a meeting was reported at 3-6. Otherwise, nothing to report.

7 – 2 Village Halls/Playing Fields

IR reported on the increase of dog mess on the field at Pilning. SC asked for an update on the provision of signs barring entry for dogs. Clerk reported that a S Glos initiative had identified sites and their status under a county-wide scheme. This had been started some time ago and an update is needed.

DH reported the first stage of roof repair work at SB had been completed.

7 – 3 Parish Plan

BM reported on delays in printing due to illness. The draft is now almost completed, room having been left for up to 50 photographs. Rod Lees and Mike Edwards are to liaise over which photos are to be published.

7 – 4 Cemetery/Churches

IH suggested that the repair bill for the council mower should be referred to Mr Malone, the Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Officer, the damage having been caused by debris thrown from the traveller camp. This was agreed.

FB has sought 5 quotes for refurbishment of the memorial to a father and children killed by an air raid during the war (see Item 7-3, minutes of June 2009). Only one, of £840, has been received). Proposed IR, seconded CW, all agreed, this quote is accepted.

7 – 5 Play Equipment/Youth Activities

NB reported on access problems at the Cross Hands Road entrance to the playing field. IR confirmed the source of suitable access gates and NB is to investigate. NB claimed the need for new bins, Clerk to provide leaflets from Glasdon, and Clerk also informed members that he would make arrangements for the Odd Job Man to commence a regular programme of disposal.

Further grants have been applied for. DH reported on some confusion with a request to Edmonds & Cole Charity. NB acknowledged this and has recently spoken with Ron Singer, the parish representative, sorting out any misunderstanding.

NB drew attention to a programme of events that are being arranged. A Christmas Fayre is set for Saturday 21st November at Pilning. A children's disco is planned for 23rd January, also at the village hall. Further regular events are planned, culminating with a Fun Day on 4th September 2010.

DH left the meeting at this point.

7 - 6 Village Matters

Information for members – JB asked whether minutes and summonses could be distributed by email. This would save the Clerk from needing to travel round the villages. It appears that only NC and DH are the only members without the facility. CW volunteered to provide a print-out for DH. IH could provide the same service for NC. This was agreed, members to provide details to the Clerk.

Rugby Club – FB reported on problems, the club house having been broken into and pipework stolen. S Glos had attended, boarding up the premises and making good.

Utilities/Electricity – CW complained of the regular power cuts. SC confirmed the short cuts (brown-outs) were caused by tree branch interference which are cured by tree cutting programmes. The new power line from Hinkley to Avonmouth is designed to combat this and other problems. The only effect on the local power line would be the addition of an extra cable to the existing pylons.

Sea Wall Gardens – IR reported on a missing padlock (belonging to S Glos and the one for which IR has a key) He is to place a new padlock on the chain so that it may be locked again.

A403 – NC asked that verges should be cleared. Bramble and self-seeded trees are the problem.

Postal Service – IH complained of the current service. Today's delivery to Redwick Road was made at 4 pm. The complaint to be copied to Steve Webb MP.

Internal Drainage Board – IH queried who has a key to the gate onto the school site. Clerk to enquire.

7 - 7 Reports

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS/TRANSPORT POLICY – PT reported on work at the roundabout, designed to ease traffic flow. Work on the M5 is dealing with drainage and safer central barriers. Variable speed limits, as operating on the M25, are likely to be introduced. Improvement work to the northbound entry and exit lanes is currently delayed for further consideration.

The planning application for the Zoo is due to be submitted later this month.

Residents (70+) of Northwick have presented Cabinet with a petition complaining of the volume of traffic now using the A403.

BUS SERVICES – PT spoke of the service bus running daily to Castle School. The service has not been advertised but could be used by the general public. There have been problems with the cost but following parent pressure fares are now reduced.

RIVER – PT drew attention to flood-risk money made available by Government. He has urged that a bid be made on behalf of SB. A road show is to be mounted to promote awareness of the dangers. FB commented on the booklet issued each year by the Environment Agency.

FILTON AIRFIELD – PT is to attend the imminent liaison meeting.

TWINNING – An International Forum on the topic is to be held in Thornbury on Tuesday 17th November.

BUDGET – Discussions to be held in Bradley Stoke, 8th December.

WHITEHOUSE FARM – PT reported that following the comments by the parish council the 'sound' banking had been assessed and would not add to local problems.

8. PLANNING

8 – 1 Comments of PC sent to S Glos Council

None.

8 – 2 Decisions by S Glos Council

PT09/5306/F 1 Cross Hands Road, 2 storey side extension

Permit

Next Council Meeting - at Severn Beach School on Monday 7th December 2009

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 8.37 PM

Signed.....Dated.....

JCR

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