

MINUTES OF MEETING held at Pilning Village Hall
Monday 7th February 1972.

APOLOGIES Councillor Singer. Absent Mrs. Barry.

R.D. Councillor Mr. W. Fowler attended.

- 187 FOOTPATH Ableton Lane to Victoria Crescent.
 Mr. Andain will resurface path when labour available.
- 367 DEVELOPMENTS not advised.
 The planning Officer is to be asked why the Parish Council was not advised of the proposed development of a bungalow at rear of Pilning Telephone Exchange, and also of the Vicarage Glebe Land, and the Cooperage, Cross Hands Road.
- 369 FOOTPATH Ableton Lane to Gypsy Platt Lane.
 The Parish Council agreed to pay half the cost=£37.50 of erecting the bridge to join the two paths, at rear of the school.
- 436 REDWICK ROAD - WEIGHT RESTRICTION ORDER.
 Copies of letters to various authorities are to be sent to the Civil Trust Office in London.
- 482 PATH between 39/41 Beach Road.
 A copy of the letter from the Solicitor who originally acted at the original transfer of the land is to be sent to Glos. C. Council as per request.
- 500 PILNING CEMETERY.
 A report was given by Councillor Lewis and the Chairman mentioned the work done and steps to be taken to finalise this work. A letter is to be given the press for publication, to inform the public of the steps being taken.
- 511 NORTHWICK CHURCH.
 The Church Commissioners require the name of the Architect and Solicitor to be employed; they are also to be informed that the Parish Council wished to continue using the Churchyard for very infrequent burials, often at several year intervals.
- 528 LOCAL REORGANISATION.
 A very lengthy discussion took place. It was reported only two Parish Councils so far had accepted an invitation to attend a special meeting when arranged. Mr. Kelly is to be asked to give a time and date for the meeting to take place at the R.D. Council Chamber. All 20 Parish Councils are to be asked to send three Councillors to this meeting. The Chairman, Councillors Lewis and Parsons will represent the Council, and Mr. W. Fowler said he would attend. Other Councillors could be present, but could not vote on the subject.
- 535 SEVERN BEACH VILLAGE HALL.
 Councillor Denner gave his report of a meeting held with the R.D.C. Finance Committee, but the question concerning a grant was not finalised at the time. Mr. Fowler also spoke on the matter, and suggested that grants of £1000 may possibly be obtained from the R.D.C. and Glos. C. Council. Mr. Denner said that what was wanted more urgently was a loan which would bring the building capital held by the Playing Field Committee up to 25% of the cost of building the Hall.
 It was agreed by the Councillors that the Parish Council make a grant of a maximum of £3250 over the next two years if permission to do so can be obtained. This is subject to any changes in rules concerning the Dept. of Education and Science grants.
- 551 ABLOTT ROAD Trees.
 Mr. Andain writes to state he is having the trees inspected to ascertain what lopping is necessary.

- 561 ABLETON LANE Street Lights.
Mr. Downs, Glos. C.C. will investigate the complaint, and get the lights restored.
- 563 PILNING LOW LEVEL RAILWAY CROSSING.
The road between and at each side of the rails has been resurfaced. Mr. Downs is unable to give priority to discussing the realignment of the gates with British Rail since no accident causing personal injury has occurred at the crossing.
- 571 ABLETON LANE Bad Road Surface.
Councillor Ball strongly complained of the bad surface caused by the many trenches which had to be dug by various Authorities, and the matter is to be put before the Glos. County Surveyor.
- 581 PILNING GARAGE and Road congestion.
The Planning Committee is to look into this matter and report at the March meeting.
- 591 BLANDS ROW, NEW PASSAGE, Garden.
The Planning Officer states no planning regulation has been broken so long as the railway van is only used as a garden shed, and not as a stable, for which permission would have to be obtained.
- 597 PLANNING DEVELOPMENT NOTIFICATIONS.
Mr. Corfield M.P. states he agrees that Parish Councils should be advised of proposals of new developments, and is taking this matter up with the Minister for the Environment.
- 602 STREET LIGHT Severn Beach.
Mr. Frazer (Glos. C.C.) agrees a light would be useful near Severn Beach Station and is arranging installation.
- 606 STREET LIGHT Chessell Avenue.
Councillor Edwards asked for a Street light to be placed at the garage end of Chessell Avenue.
- 607 PAVEMENT FOULED BY DOGS.
Complaints of the fouling of the pavement Cross Hands to Pilning Church are to be reported to the Police; they are asked to investigate and warn dog owners.
- 608 RHINE Marsh Common Road.
Mr. Hodges is to be asked to level the mud taken out of the rhine, and remove broken pipes, stones and other materials which would prevent the cutting of verges.
- 609 DEPRESSION - WHITEHOUSE LANE.
Mr. Andain is to be requested to top up the deep depression in road near new bungalow.
- 610 CHURCH ROAD, SEVERN BEACH.
Councillor Denner requested that a pavement on the South side, and kerbing on the opposite be applied for.
- No. Ref. It was reported for information that the I.C.I. have ordered 250 trees for Spring planting to replace felled elm trees. Dr. Maggs wishes the Parish Council to be assured that the recent escape of Arsenic at the I.C.I. was not as serious as had been suspected.

The meeting ended at 10.40 p.m.

Signed James M. Lee
Date 6-3-72.

accounts paid during
February/72.

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y P O.	Phone rent	5	00 ✓
Glos CC	Construction of footbridge	37	50 ✓
D Jones	Fencing Playing Field	210	00 ✓
Thornbury R.D C	Supplying & erecting Letter Box cross Hands Bus Shelter.	6	00 ✓
