

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING at SEVERN BEACH SCHOOL 5th November 1973.

Councillors present: Messrs. Hall, Denner, Edwards, Free, Lewis, Parsons, Salmon, Singer and Snell.

MINUTES of October Meeting signed.

308. DWELLING ON THE 'ISLAND' SEVERN BEACH.

14/108 Apparently the Public Health Dept has done nothing regarding the complaint made to them, and that dep^y. of the R.D.C. will be asked to deal specially with the matter.

438. PILNING AREA.

The Ordnance Survey, Hamlyn Group, and Bartholomews will show 'Pilning' more prominently on future issues of Maps.

511. NORTHWICK CHURCH TOWER.

Mr. Lewis reported on the meeting with the Architect Mr. Hannan and the demolition firm of Fisher & Sons. It was decided to stain the door and apply two coats of varnish, the hinges to be painted black, and the ceiling to be redone. Some Councillors volunteered to try and get local labour with estimates for this work. Mr. Parsons and Mr. Lewis will meet Mr. Kirby the acting Solicitor on a date to be arranged.

535. Severn Beach Hall.

Councillor Denner gave a report on the progress being made towards erection of the Hall. The finances will be discussed at the Financial Committee's meeting on the 22nd November at Trinity Hall.

549. SWANMOOR ROAD JUNCTION.

The reply received from Mr. Almond not acceptable to Mr. Parsons. Mr. Almond is to be asked if and when he would meet Councillors at the site to discuss the matter. Mr. Fowler will be asked to attend.

584. CHURCH ROAD, SEVERN BEACH.

Mr. Denner asked that the R.D.C. be again asked to install a Street sign at each end of Church Road.

585 & 535. "VILLA" CARAVAN PARK FACILITIES.

The Planning Officer in both instances granted conditional consent to the proposals.

SEVERN BEACH HALL. ERECTION.

602. STREET LIGHT, SEVERN BEACH RAIL CROSSING.

The Council is to press for the street light to be installed.

607. DOG FOULING NOTICES.

It was resolved to ask the G.P.O. and S.W.E.B. for permission to fasten the notices to their poles.

629. PILL HEAD COTTAGES.

Mr. Singer reported a small fire had occurred in one of the buildings, and Mr. Frost is to be asked to have the derelict building made more safe, or demolished.

640. MARLWOOD SCHOOL 'BUSES.

Any parent making a complaint against the service must give date, nature of complaint and registration number of the 'bus, and driver's name if possible. Mr. Milroy is to be asked to clarify the position of the driver in a case of bad behaviour of children, and if older scholars or Prefects are put in charge to maintain order.

646. ABLETON LANE VERGE.

Mr. Denner reported that he had visited the person complained of, and there should be no further trouble. This was accepted.

670. SEWERAGE COMPLAINTS.

A letter which explained the causes of smells arising from various parts of the sewerage system, and remedies undertaken, was accepted by the Councillors. The system could not be entirely efficient until many more properties were joined to it.

674. BROKEN CULVERT.
Mr. Ball stated a Representative of Messrs. Osmond Tricks had met him, and the area had been examined. A letter is to be expected later from the firm, and this is to be awaited.
687. SURGERY CAR PARK.
This matter has been referred to the R.D.C. by the Highways Surveyor. A letter must be awaited.
696. AVENING SCOUT CAMP.
Councillor Edwards reported on his visit to the Camp. He was favourably impressed by the good work done there.
718. THORNBURY SPORTS COUNCIL.
Councillors Denner & Lewis will attend the A.G.M. on 30th November at the Mundy Playing Field Pavilion.
728. FLOODING, SEVERN BEACH.
Mr. Salmon asked that this subject be kept to the fore. It will be put to Mr. Fowler at the next meeting.
737. STREET SIGNS.
Councillor Ball reported that the Beach Road and Avenue signs had been restored.
755. POLICE SERGEANT TOMBS.
He thanked the Council for invitation to attend meetings. He would like to be advised in good time of any matter arising which concerned the Police, and he would attend if duties allowed. He does not live locally.
760. FINANCE COMMITTEE.
A meeting was arranged for Thursday 22nd November at 7.30 p.m. in the Trinity Hall.

It was also suggested to the Clerk that he should obtain a different venue for the Parish Council Meeting other than Severn Beach School on 7th Jan. 1974.
764. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY.
Mr. J. Sellick, who was nominated as Parish Councillor in May 1973, had not attended any Parish Council Meeting, or signed a "Declaration of Office" form. The Councillors declared the Office 'vacant' and will publish the vacancy in the Gazette and on Public Notice Boards. Applications to fill the vacancy to be made in writing to the Clerk by the 26th November.
770. GLOUCESTER PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION, ANNUAL MEETING.
The Chairman, Mr. S. Parsons will attend this meeting on 10th November.
774. FIELD NEXT PLAYING FIELD, PILNING.
The Planning Officer states it is not possible for the Local Planning Officer to designate this as an open space within the context of a local plan for the area. Copy of the letter received sent to Mr. Jackson, Chairman of the Village Hall.
777. 'BUS SERVICES.
The Traffic Superintendant of the Bristol Country Services, greatly blamed the irregularities in the 'bus services to lack of staff, and for breakdowns of 'buses. This is a National problem. Councillor Singer remarked that a good service between Bristol and Cardiff was being kept up, whilst local services were apparently neglected. Mr. Parsons will bring this matter up at the Liaison Committee meeting.
778. CHESTNUT TREE.
The Highways Surveyor will be responsible for its future maintenance. The County Council will be in no way responsible for any accident as the result of playing near, or climbing, or interfering with the tree.
779. PILNING VILLAGE HALL.
Councillors were thanked for their grant of £150, towards the cost of installing a heating system.

783. MINI-BUS FOR O.A. PERSONS.

Mr. Parsons volunteered to write and get details of the Thornbury Mini-bus Service.

785. STREET LIGHT, ABLETON LANE, SEVERN BEACH.

Application is to be made to get a Street Light placed near Abbott Road.

No Ref. PARISH COUNCIL ASSOCIATION.

Mr. S. Parsons gave a report of the meeting he attended recently at Keynsham.

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81	Rev. Free)	1	05	" " "	
82	" ")	1	05	" " "	
83	Dobson) Grimes	4	50	" " "	270
84	Rev. Free)	1	05	" " "	
85	Dobson) Matthews	4	50	" " "	271
86	Trinity Hall	1	00		
87	Phone Rent	6	26		

Signed S. Parsons

Date 3. 12. 1973