

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 2nd May 2006, commencing at 7.00 pm
In PILNING Village Hall

COUNCILLORS Mr I Humphries (Chairman), Mrs N Chappell, Mr S Cooper,
PRESENT (7) Mrs M Heslop, Mr D Humphries,
 Mr M Pullen, Mrs C Woodhouse.

Also Present:- J C Rawlinson (Clerk), Mr P Tyzack (S Glos Councillor) and 2
 members of the public (Mrs Jane Davey and Mr Eddie Neave, both
 of Ableton Lane).

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE
 Mr A George, Mr G Moore and Mrs F Tyzack.

**The Chairman asked those present to join him in remembering:
Mrs June Lee, formerly of Beach Road, and previously of New Passage, and Mr
Godfrey Ball of Vicarage Road - both recently deceased.**

- 2a. ELECTION of CHAIRMAN
 Proposed CW, seconded NC, all agreed, that Mr I Humphries continue in office
 for a third year. Having been duly elected Mr Humphries presided over the meeting.
- 2b. ELECTION of OFFICERS
 Proposed MH, seconded NC that Mrs Woodhouse continue as Vice Chairman, all
 agreed. On a proposal by NC, all agreed, officers to remain as before, subject to
 confirmation by Mr Singer and Mr Cottrell that they wish to continue in current roles.
2. MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING
 The minutes of the meeting of 3rd April were approved as a true record.
 1. MH 2. CW All agreed.

3. ACTION/RELATED MATTERS

3 – 1 Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

Reference corres below and the decision at the Annual Parish Meeting, Clerk has confirmed with S Glos this council's support for the installation of speed warning signs and promoted the early placement of a zebra crossing, rather than delaying the installation until after the new school site has been decided upon.

3 - 2 Cemeteries/Churches

The Northwick Cemetery Committee meeting has still to be arranged.

3 – 3 Dog Nuisance

Clerk has notified S Glos of this council's wish to identify both playing fields as 'dog free' zones, and the sea wall gardens and church path to be designated as 'dogs under control' areas.

4. CORRESPONDENCEAvon Local Councils Association

- 10511.01 Arrangements for office facilities during absence of Secretary.
- 10512.02 ALCA Newsletter, April edition – circulated.
- 10513.03 Briefing topic note P02-06, Accounts and Audit.
- 10514.04 Briefing topic note P03-06, Review of Universal Service Obligation.
- 10515.05 Briefing topic note E02/06, Increases in Sickness & Maternity Pay.
- 10516.06 Briefing topic note L03-06, Clean Neighbourhoods Act 2005.
- 10517.07 Training Briefing T02-06, Clerks Bursary Scheme.

Bus Services, Shelters & Signs

- 10518.08 Councillor Ian Smith, policy re bus tokens.

Campaign to Protect Rural England

- 10519.09 Members Newsletter, Spring edition – circulated.

Dog Fouling

- 10520.10 Monthly information form.

Elections/Applications for Parish Council

- 10521.11 Register of electors, monthly update: Pilning ward, April .
- 10522.12 Register of electors, monthly update; SB ward, April.
- 10523.13 Register of electors, monthly update: Pilning ward, May
- 10524.14 Register of electors, monthly update; SB ward, May.

Environment Agency

- 10525.15 "Focus" newsletter – circulated.

Environment/Conservation

- 10526.16 *Heritage News*, edition 13 – circulated.
- 10527.17 Heritage event at Bitton in June.

Grass Cutting

- 10528.18 Total Butler seek confirmation that fuel card is still required.

ICI/Zeneca & other Industries

- 10529.19 Oldbury site stakeholder meeting, 3rd May.

- 10530.20 Agenda for Oldbury meeting on 3rd May.
- Insurance
- 10531.21 Allianz Cornhill, details of this years policy arrangements.
- Liaison with Neighbouring Parishes
- 10532.22 Contact by Bitton pc re decisions by non-elected bodies.
- Police
- 10533.23 Safer South Gloucestershire: Training Opportunities.
- Railways
- 10534.24 SB to Avonmouth bus link now under Greater Western jurisdiction.
- 10535.25 FoSBR newsletter, issue 56 – circulated.
- 10536.26 FoSBR seek/offer help in opposing moves to restrict rail service.
- Roads/Road Signs
- 10537.27 Street care issues logged and to be dealt with.
- 10538.28 Closure of B4055 for Easter Compton carnival.
- Rural Areas/Local Plan
- 10539.29 Strategic Green Belt assessment, questionnaire completed.
- 10540.30 Regional Spatial Strategy document – circulated.
- 10541.31 Landscape character Assessment, supplementary planning.
- Schools
- 10542.32 Consultation on Primary School provision in Severnside, questionnaire.
- 10543.33 Thornbury Grammar School, 400th anniversary celebrations.
- Scouts, Guides, Brownies
- 10544.34 Thank you letters from Guides. Item 5-8, minutes 6/2, refers.
- South Gloucestershire Council
- 10545.35 List of meetings for May.
- 10546.36 Cabinet meeting, 8th May, in Thornbury.

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- South Gloucestershire Council (cont)
- 10547.37 Children & Young People Select Committee, 3rd May in Thornbury.
- 10548.38 Corporate Coordination Select Committee, 8th March, in Kingswood.
- 10549.39 Development Control (West) Committee, 27th April in Thornbury.
- 10550.40 Development Control Sites Inspection sub-committee, 21/4 in Thornbury.
- 10551.41 Health Scrutiny Sub Committee, 26th April in Kingswood.
- 10552.42 Joint Development Control Committee, 4th May in Thornbury.
- 10553.43 Planning, Trans & Strategic Enviro Committee, 12th April in Thornbury.
- 10554.44 Standards Committee, 18th April in Thornbury.
- 10555.45 Strategic Partnership Board for Children, 18th April in Kingswood.
- 10556.46 Executive Decisions, w/e 7th April 2006.
- 10557.47 Executive Decisions, w/e 14th April 2006.
- 10558.48 Executive Decisions, w/e 21st April 2006.

- 10559.49 Executive Decisions, w/e 28th April 2006.
- 10560.50 Forward Plan of Executive Decision-Making, May 2006 to Apr 2007.
- 10561.51 “Strengthening Communities Strategy”, copies distributed.
- 10562.52 Dedicated solicitor for parish councils, insufficient support for scheme.
- 10563.53 Severn Vale Area Forum, 26th April at Thornbury.
- 10564.54 Community Awards to Royston and Patricia Edwardes, letter of thanks.

Stationery/Circulars/Books

- 10565.55 *Clerks & Councils Direct*, May edition – circulated.

Street Furniture & Lighting

- 10566.56 Glasdon, 5 assorted leaflets.

Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

- 10567.57 Joint Local Transport Plan, update. Document circulated.
Results of public consultation in Trinity Hall.

Trees/Tree Planting

- 10568.58 Forest of Avon, a guide to developers.

Utilities – Post

- 10569.59 “Pillar Talk”, issue 10 – circulated.

Voluntary/Community Groups

- 10570.60 Effective Management Committees, dates of meetings.
- 10571.61 Action for Rural Communities, annual conference, 27th June.
- 10572.62 Senior Citizens Forum, Spring newsletter – circulated.
- 10573.63 S Glos Deaf Association, May newsletter – circulated.

Website

- 10574.64 Electronic communication between S Glos and parish councils.

Planning

- 10575.65 Delegated decisions, 11th March.
- 10576.66 Delegated decisions, 18th March.
- 10577.67 Enforcement complaints, weekly list to be provided.

Planning (cont)

10578.68	Delegated decisions, w/e 25 th March.
10579.69	Delegated decisions, w/e 1 st April.
10580.70	Delegated decisions, w/e 8 th April.
10581.71	Delegated decisions, w/e 15 th April.

Accounts/Donations

10582.72	AOL, internet fees to 16 th April. Item 5-3 refers.
10583.73	Post Office, postage stamps. Item 5-4 refers.
10584.74	PC World, stationery. Item 5-5 refers.
10585.75	Tesco, batteries for camera. Item 5-6 refers.
10586.76	Mr I Roberts, grass cutting (April). Item 5-8 refers.
10587.77	S A R A, donation. Item 5-9 refers.
10588.78	Wicksteed, annual play equipment inspection. Item 5-10 refers.
10589.79	C P R E, annual subscription. Item 5-10 refers.
10590.80	Allianz Cornhill, insurance premium. Item 5-11 refers.

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT

5 – 1	£ 553.00	J C Rawlinson	Clerk – Wages (Apr)	112
5 – 2	£ 50.00	J C Rawlinson	Petrol	111
5 – 3	£ 15.99	AOL	Internet charges (Mar)	111
5 – 4	£ 6.90	Post Office	Postage stamps	111
5 – 5	£ 35.97	PC World	Stationery (inks/paper)	111
5 – 6	£ 4.97	Tesco	Batteries for camera	111
5 – 7	£ 5.00	J C Rawlinson	Allotment fees (refund)	SHAA
5 – 8	£ 350.00	Mr I Roberts	Grass Cutting (April)	*
5 – 9	£ 150.00	S A R A	Donation	137
5-10	£ 94.00	Wicksteed	Play equipment inspection	LGMP
5-11	£ 26.00	C P R E	Annual subscription	142
5-12	£1433.97	Alliance Cornhill	Insurance premium	**
5-13	£ 10.00	SB V Hall	Booking fee (Parish Plan)	142
5-14	£ 9.00	Trinity Hall	Booking fee (Parish Plan)	142
5-15	£ 395.70	Care for Elderly	Attendance/petrol	LGRA
	<u>£3140.50</u>			

Items 5-1 to 5-7, inclusive, paid as one cheque.

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

5 – 6	Small Holdings & Allotments Act 1908, s26
5 – 8	(Playing fields - LG(MP) Act 1979, s19 (Sea wall gardens - Public Health Act 1875, s164)
5 – 10	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1979, s19
5 -12	Public Liability LGA 1972, s111 Employee Fidelity LGA 1972, s114 Property LGA 1972, s111 Employee injury Employees Liability (Comprehensive Ins) Act 1969 Councillors' injury Local Government (Misc Prov) 1976, s39(1)

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT (cont)

5-15 Local Government & Rating Act 1997

The accounts above were approved for payment. 1. SC 2. MP, All agreed.

Current bank balance, prior to payment of above:-

Total fund holding **£15,245.43** (includes interest to March)

First precept instalment due for payment as from 30th April.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None requested.

7. AGENDA

7 – 1 Severnside Development

Nothing to report.

7 – 2 Village Halls/Playing Fields

Thoughts of demolishing the pavilion have been put on hold. A suggestion has been received that the pavilion could be used by a joint football/cricket team. The organiser is willing to refurbish the pavilion to an acceptable standard, and, in the process make the building more secure. He would, however, welcome some help with paying for a skip. Agreed to progress this matter.

7 – 3 Parish Plan

CW reported on difficulties encountered in ‘forming a gang’. Some names have been submitted, and local resident and radio broadcaster Trevor Fry has submitted a piece to the *Gazette* in the hope of encouraging further involvement. Meetings organised for SB VH and Trinity Hall met with a dismal response, only 1 person (who had already registered an interest) attended at SB – no one turned up at Pilning! Information is to be forwarded to those who have already pledged their help. The steering group needs to be fully set up within the next 6 weeks, and a further item is to be printed in the *Gazette*.

7 – 4 Drainage Problems

MP reported serious problems with drainage in Osborne Road, near to the footpath linking Beach Road and the garage. The problem was reported to Street Care on 3/5/2006.

7 – 5 Seawall Steps

Attention was drawn to the poor condition of the steps between Beach Road and the Sea Wall Gardens – those opposite the bakery. PT confirmed these are the responsibility of the adjacent householders. Whilst this should be in their house deeds it was suggested that some residents may not be aware of the fact. As they will be culpable should someone suffer an injury it is felt they should be made aware. Street Care were contacted on 3/5/2006.

7 – 6 Problems with Young People

MH reported on recent problems, citing many instances of nuisance and stupidity. Following on from this and the difficulties being experienced at Pilning PO, the failure by PC Lodge to attend an arranged meeting with the post office owner was commented on. Agreed a Police presence is required. Unfortunately, as PT stated, the undermanned Police force polices areas which have the highest reported problems. The only way this area will benefit is if all incidents are reported so that perceptions will not indicate a 'quiet area'. As PC Lodge is to be present at the monthly 'surgery' on 8th May as many councillors as possible should attend and register their complaints. Contact will also be made with Filton Police.

MP commented on the dumping of a wheelchair and a carpet roll. Rocks have been dislodged and rolled onto the grassed areas of the 'boating lake'.

7 – 7 Hedge Clippings

MP complained that clippings from the 'boating lake' hedgerow had still not been cleared. Street Care again notified on 3/5/2006.

7 – 8 Annual Parish Meeting

This was arranged for 7 pm on Monday 22nd May, at Pilning VH. CW offered her apologies, being unable to attend on that evening.

7 – 9 Village Matters

Street Light – NC reported on a newly erected street light in Keens Grove. Improvements to lighting are somewhat negated by the position – the light will no longer illuminate the dark area adjacent to the garages, which the previous light does. This matter has been drawn to the attention of Street Care on 3/5/2006.

Green Belt Development – MP reported, on behalf of AG, that 'phone calls have been received re the possibility of developing local green areas. IH also received a call. He informed the caller this parish always opposes development on Green Belt.

7 – 10 Reports

ASTRAZENECA – CW reported on her recent attendance, with NC, at the opening of the new waste disposal plant at the site. In their 'safety gear' they enjoyed a tour of the site, followed by a pleasant buffet lunch. Jim Anderson of AZ is to be thanked for his invitation and hospitality, and SC, DH, IH, MP and PT expressed an interest in accepting an offer for other members to tour the site.

NEWS from SOUTH GLOS – PT advised that the Neighbourhood Watch Website draws attention to a 'scam' which reports a parcel to be delivered and the need to contact an 0900 'phone number – resulting in costs of around £15, with no parcel.

SEA WALL PATH – PT drew attention to a recent *Gazette* article in which he and AG were pictured, and attention drawn to problems with 'No Cycling' signs. New larger signs are to be mounted to prevent further use of the path, much of which results from Sustrans' bulldozing tactic in trying to incorporate the route into the cycle network. A copy of a "Severn Wonders" leaflet of events, published by the Severn Estuary Partnership, is to be provided by PT for circulation amongst members.

CABINET – There is apparently 70% support for a new school at a new site in this area. This is likely to be ratified at the meeting next Monday.

