

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 4th January 2010, commencing at 6.30 pm
in PILNING Village Hall

COUNCILLORS Mr I Humphries (Chairman), Mrs F Barr MBE, Mrs N Bendall,
PRESENT (7) Mrs N Chappell, Mr S Cooper, Mr I Roberts, Mrs C Woodhouse.

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

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Neil Halsall of the Standards Committee, South Glos Council, spoke with those present. He summarised the work of the Standards Committee and commented on the annual report document. Copies of all documents were provided and will be circulated amongst members. Following a number of questions and comments, IH thanked NH for his attendance, and with the time now almost 7.00 pm the meeting was drawn to a close

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The Chairman asked all present to remember Mrs Irene Lewis of Redwick Road, Mr Peter Sadler of Church Road and Mrs Greta Savickas, formerly of Wick Road, all recently deceased.
Mrs Lewis was the widow of Harry Lewis, formerly Head Teacher at Pilning School.
Harry was a Parish Councillor from May 1964 to May 1976.

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE

Mr J Black (away), Mr D Humphries (family health).
Apologies also received from Mrs J Davey (unwell).

2. MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 7th December were approved as a true record.
1. IR 2. NC All agreed.

3. ACTION/RELATED MATTERS

3 – 1 Roads/Road Signs

Reference item 13553.33, minutes of 5th October, and following a number of enquiries, the connecting road for the Tesco development has been named “Lanson Roberts Road”. When names were sought in 1999 for newly developed roads at Western Approach, names were submitted by the parish council, one of which was not utilised, ie ‘Lanson Roberts’. Accordingly this name was recommended, and accepted, when a name was sought in September 2009 for the road link from Tesco to the eastern end of Holloway Road. The designation honours David Lanson Roberts, the longest serving parish councillor (September 1902 – April 1938), who is also – by a long way - the longest serving chairman, 34 years from April 1904 to April 1938. Mr Roberts farmed at Northwick House during his life in the parish, relinquishing his post only when he left the district (presumably on retirement).

3 - 2 Trees/Tree Planting

Alan Engley has confirmed that trees at Pilning playing fields are to be cut on Monday 11th January, although current heavy snowfalls may have some influence here.

3 - 3 Allotments

No response yet to contact in respect of future use of the rugby ground.

3 - 4 Footpaths

JB has examined the gate at Easter Compton playing fields and is currently seeking quotes for the Bank Road entrance to the church path.

4. CORRESPONDENCEAudit/Precept

13681.01 Council Precept arrangements for 2010/11.

Avon Local Councils Association

13682.02 Agenda, ALCA meeting of 7th January at Little Stoke.

Cemetery/Churches

13683.03 Maintenance, repair and protection of War Memorials.

Clerk/Clerks Society

13684.04 Practitioners' Conference in Stoke-on-Trent, 26th February.

13685.05 Booking form for conference above.

Environment/Conservation

13686.06 "Our Area Our Future" consultation event, 18th January in Thornbury.

Footpaths

13687.07 Notification under Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, re Bank Road.

13688.08 Comment on church path, by Nicole Bendall.

Licensing Authority

13689.09 Notification of Tesco development as required by legislation.

Local Industry

13690.10 E-on update on plans for new nuclear power at Oldbury.

13691.11 E-on newsletter, issue 2 – circulated.

13692.12 Site Stakeholder Group, 20th January in Falfield.

13693.13 Agenda for meeting above.

13694.14 National Grid contact re Hinkley Point C Connection project.

13695.15 Minutes of Stakeholder group meeting, 4th November.

13696.16 Minutes of Joint group meeting, 4th November.

Playgrounds/Youth Activities

13697.17 *Participation* News, issue 2 – circulated.

13698.18 SMP Playgrounds news sheet.

Police

13699.19 Safer Stronger Goup, agenda for 7th January in Lower Almondsbury.

Railways

13700.20 SB Working Group update document – circulated.

13701.21 New railway timetable: distributed.

Schools

13702.22 Consultation on school terms and holidays.

13703.23 Ian Lyons to meet with members at Pilning on 14th December.

Stationery/Circulars/Books

13704.24 *LCR*, winter edition– circulated.

13705.25 Danwood (consumables) contact re stationery supplies.

Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

13706.26 Comment by S Glos re speed proposals for A403.

13707.27 Comment by S Glos re suggestions for Cribbs junction improvements.

Utilities - Electricity

13708.28 Wraxall PC seek financial help in combating overhead power cables.

Voluntary/Community Groups

13709.29 *Reach*, issue 2: news from ‘Above & Beyond Charities’.

Waste Dumping/Disposal/Landfill

13710.30 Leaflet from Viridor re proposals for recycling at Chittening.

13711.31 *Severnside News*, November 2009 edition – circulated.

13712.32 Sita advise exhibitions to be held at local venues.

13713.33 West of England core strategy document – circulated.

13714.34 Detail of Big Spring Clean 2010.

Planning

13715.35 Delegated decisions, w/e 10th October 2009.

13716.36 Delegated decisions, w/e 17th October 2009.

13717.37 Delegated decisions, w/e 24th October 2009.

13718.38 Delegated decisions, w/e 31st October 2009.

13719.39 Delegated decisions, w/e 7th November 2009.

13720.40 Delegated decisions, w/e 14th November 2009.

13721.41 Delegated decisions, w/e 21st November 2009.

13722.42 Delegated decisions, w/e 28th November 2009.

13723.43 Delegated decisions, w/e 5th December 2009.

13724.44 Delegated decisions, w/e 12th December 2009.

Accounts/Donations

13725.45	Staples, stationery. Item 5-3 refers.
13726.46	N Pearce, odd job man. Item 5-4 refers.
13727.47	Danwood, toner for photocopier. Item 5-5 refers.
13728.48	S Glos Council, booking (SB School). Item 5-6 refers.
13729.49	Mogford Prescott, PVH repairs. Item 5-7 refers.
13730.50	Friends of Suburban Bristol Rail, subscription. Item 5-8 refers.

The parish council received Christmas Cards from South Glos Council, AstraZeneca and Yate Town Council.

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT

5 – 1	£ 769.00	J C Rawlinson	Clerk – Wages (December)	112
5 – 2	£ 50.00	J C Rawlinson	Petrol allowance	111
5 – 3	£ 15.30	Staples	Envelopes	111
5 – 4	£ 26.50	Mr N Pearce	Odd Job Man	111
5 – 5	£ 177.79	Danwood	Toner, photocopier	111
5 – 6	£ 120.00	S Glos Council	Booking charge, SB School	111
5 – 7	£ 138.00	Mogford Prescott	Repairs, Pilning VH	LGMP
5 – 8	£ 10.00	FoSBR	Subscription	142
	<u>£1306.59</u>			

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

5 – 7 LG(MP) Act 1979, s19

Items 5-1 to 5-4, inclusive, paid as one cheque.

Current bank balance, prior to payments listed above

£29,276.08 (Interest included to end of September).

The accounts above were approved for payment.

1. FB 2. IR All agreed.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PT spoke concerning St Peter's School and the need for the council to play a more active part in the development – which would be beneficial for both the school and the local community. He particularly stressed the need to further explore the question of a second entrance from Cross Hands Road. PT also suggested that Ian Lyons of South Glos Council should be contacted as he is still unclear over the intentions of the parish council regarding the need for installing the sewage pipeline from the southern side of the new school site.

Members commented on the access from Cross Hands Road. Following a meeting held on 13th October 2008 (Page 81/2008), the authorities decided against the possibility of entering the premises from this side. This was later confirmed by meetings with the Governors. Clerk is to contact Ian Lyons to clarify the situation.

7. AGENDA

7 – 1 Severnside Development

The SITA planning application for the AstraZeneca site has been referred to Almondsbury parish council, although the site is in this parish. The proposals for the Viridor development at Philblack, brought to the attention of this council at the meeting of 7th September 2009 (page 55/2009), is now coming under scrutiny. The main constituent for recycling, a non-food plant from the far east, is being criticised as having carcinogenic properties.

7 – 2 Play Equipment/Youth Activities

NB reported on a successful funding application through the Safer Stronger Community Group. The sum of £2,000 has been obtained.

7 - 3 Grass Cutting

Tenders are being sought in accordance with the agreed specifications. IR was unable to cut during December due to the weather – heavy rain/snow later. He volunteered to carry out a cut should it be required.

7 - 4 Annual Finance Meeting

Meeting arranged for Monday 11th January in Pilning VH (7.00 pm start).

7 - 5 Village Matters

Section 106 - IR enquired about the section 106 agreement in respect of Gorse Cover Road. Clerk confirmed the parish council is not consulted in such matters although suggestions can be made. PT thought the fund had been allocated for education purposes. He will check on this.

Roads/Road Signs - FB complained of the condition of Little Green Lane. Although patched following previous complaints, the road is in need of full refurbishment. Confirmed the problem is on the current list of items needing attention. FB also commented on the poor condition of the older section of Beach Road. Further exploring the theme of poor road surfaces, CW mentioned the bad condition of the Ableton Lane/Severnwood Gardens area and the large potholes on the A403 towards Avonmouth.

IH asked that the Highways Agency should be encouraged to take action with regard to the new motorway junction, the awful condition of many local roads being the result of increasing lorry use. Peter Jackson of South Glos Council to be asked to attend a local public meeting to discuss the junction.

Council Meetings - *In View* publishes the dates of Almondsbury parish meetings though our dates appear to be missing.

7 - 6 Reports

LOCAL INDUSTRY – NC and CW attended the recent Astra meeting in which plans for the next few years were outlined. Though the company is profitable the possibility of a buy-out is under consideration. Disposal of the Terra land is actively being pursued.

WASTE DUMPING/DISPOSAL/LANDFILL – PT has spoken with the Sita agents and has put pressure on for the provision of a motorway link. He also attended the Sita exhibition.

S GLOS COUNCIL – PT noted his attendance at the budget consultation meeting, on 8th December, he being the only person present, other than the council officers tasked with attending.

SCHOOLS – PT confirmed that discussion is underway regarding the future use of Pilning School buildings.

GENERAL ELECTION – PT is now confirmed as the local Liberal Democrat candidate at the next election. He stressed his wish to continue with his efforts on behalf of the local population.

8. PLANNING

8 – 1 Comments of PC sent to S Glos Council

PT09/5691/CLP	Queens Lodge, NP – outbuilding for accommodation	No objection
PT09/6033/F	Northwick School – convert to accommodation	Comments

8 – 2 Decisions by S Glos Council

PT09/5668/R3F	Car parking area at Severn Beach School	Permit
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8 – 3 Planning Enforcement

CAW/09/0032	Caravans at junction (Bank Road/Northwick Rd) to be removed
COW/09/5433/OD	Building work in order (PT07/0266/F refers)- Mayburn Cottage

Next Council Meeting - at Severn Beach School on Monday 1st February 2010

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 8.08 PM

Signed.....Dated..... JCR

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