

MINUTES OF MEETING 2nd APRIL AT SEVERN BEACH SCHOOL.

Present: V. Chairman R. Edwardes, and Councillors Ball Denner, Lewis, Parsons, Salmon, Singer and Snell.

Apologies: Mrs. Elliott and Rev. J. Free - Sick.

Minutes of Meeting 5th March signed.

535 SEVERN BEACH VILLAGE HALL.

The Committee of the Village Hall are to be notified that they may proceed with their plans to build a Village Hall at Severn Beach, and the Parish Council will provide the short fall of the grants. *based on figures available up to 2nd April 73, approximately £21,000.*

511 NORTHWICK CHURCH.

In answer to a question from Councillor Ball, he was informed that work was proceeding on the Tower, and stone from the demolition was being used for the purpose. The property had not yet been handed over to the Parish Council.

549 SWANMOOR. ROAD JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT.

This matter is to be put to Thornbury R.D.C. to find out if they have any objections to improvements made there, seeing that a sewage pump is situated at the site. Details of the suggested improvement to be given to the R.D.C.

607 DOGS FOULING PAVEMENTS.

It was decided to write the Royal Label Factory, Stratford Upon Avon, for information regarding the price of metal notices as to the Byelaw concerning fouling by dogs.

610 CHURCH ROAD VERGE, SEVERN BEACH.

The verge is badly cut up in front of several houses. The R.D.C. is to be asked to write all tenants to give more care to the verge.

618 TREE PLANTING ON BRITISH RAIL PROPERTY.

After hearing that British Rail required £5 for an appropriate Agreement, and £5 annual rent after the trees were planted, the Councillors decided they were no longer interested in the project.

645 TREES, BEACH AVENUE.

The responsibility for the care of such trees led to a lot of discussion, after it had been pointed out that neither Thornbury R.D.C. nor Glos. Highways Authority accepted such responsibility. The Councillors decided to inform the residents that the pruning lopping or felling was in their hands, and they are to be informed of this by a circular letter and asked for their comments.

657 ROAD SIGNS, SWANMOOR.

Mr. Almond to be informed that the metal sign near Councillors Parsons' house has not yet been painted, and the red arrow sign at the nearby road junction also needs attention.

674 BROKEN DRAIN, ABBOTT ROAD.

The County Land Agent acknowledges receipt of complaint, and will look into the matter.

710 MANURE HEAP, A403 VERGE, NORTHWICK.

The District Surveyor has had the heap removed and site cleaned up.

715 DEVELOPMENT, CROSS HANDS ROAD.

The letter received from the Planning Officer stated that in the case of application for Outline permission details are not necessarily given to Parish Councils, and the present application did not specify the number of houses to be erected. Councillor Parsons was authorised to bring this matter (lack of information on development applications) before the next meeting of the Thornbury and Chipping Sodbury Liaison Committee of Parish Councils,

ROMAN BRIDGE, IRON GATE.

Mr. Almond will arrange for the stone work of the bridge to be repaired, but the Highway Authority is not responsible for the replacement of the gate. Mr. Almond is to be asked to write Mrs. Parsons on the matter, such as he did to Mr. Alway regarding the Bank Road Wicket Gate P.S.714.

MR. F.C. WILLCOX. APPLICATION 2 BUNGALOWS, LITTLE GREEN LANE.

The Councillors protested that a letter, although dated 20th February, did not arrive until 22nd March, and the County Solicitor is to be informed. It was also decided to inform him that the application which Mr. Willcox has made to the Secretary of State is opposed by the Parish Council. *why was planning permission given for a house opposite.*

DEVELOPMENT AT NEW PASSAGE HOTEL.

Councillors raised objections to the proposed development. It was in the Green Belt, no benefit to locals would accrue, the development seemed to be for commercial reasons rather than residential purposes. The construction of a swimming pool and car park would tend to bring large and undesirable crowds to a pleasant spot, and spoil the amenities for locals and the usual type of visitors.

MATS FOR PILNING CEMETERY.

The Clerk asked if the Councillors would approve of the purchase of mats which would improve the grave area at times of interments. This was agreed to. The Clerk stated 15 interments had taken place in the year 1972/73, the previous highest number being 11. The receipts amounted to £121, but the loss on the cemetery was £205 for the year.

8718 FLOODING. OVERTOPPING OF BINN WALL.

Councillor Snell reported on the amount of River Severn Water which had come over the Binn Wall that morning, and read out a report he had made. Councillor Ball stated he had advised Thornbury R.D.C. of this, and arranged for their Mr. Court to urgently inspect. It was decided to write a strong letter to the R.D.C. on the apparent slothful manner in dealing with their scheme for flood prevention.

9729 HOUSEBOUND AND CHRONICALLY SICK PERSONS.

Councillor Snell reported he was doing a new survey, and so far he had not found any who were not receiving some attention. He had not received any requests for Radio or T.V. Sets. Apparently it was not known for certain whether the Parish Council or the R.D.C. are responsible for the care of Chronically sick persons, especially those outside the scope of Mr. Snell's inquiries amongst the O.A.Ps. It was resolved to write the Health Dept., and ask for a copy of an Act, believed to be recently passed regarding the care of Chronically sick persons, if such has been published.

PILNING TIP.

The portion used by the Highways Dept. is untidy. Mr. Almond is to be informed, and asked to put the site in a more satisfactory condition.

PROMENADE SEATS.

These seats require cleaning and other treatment. Councillor Ball offered to get this done. Councillor Singer offered to get a metal notice plate for the Cemetery Notice, and Councillor Ball would get this painted. Both were thanked for their kind services.

723 ABLETON COURT.

Councillor Snell was informed in answer to his inquiry that the R.D.C. had been written to provide outside seats for the O.A.Ps.

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Dobson	Grave Digging	4	50	22	
Dennung	Funeral	1	05	23	
RDC	Sweeping	40	00	24	
Weeks	Shelter Cleaning	10	00	27	
Dobson	Cemetery Caretaker	40	00	28	
Pullen	Clerks Salary	60	00	29	
Village Hall	Hire of Hall	6	00	30	
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Signed RDC Secy

Date 7th May 1973