

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD PILNING VILLAGE HALL 5th March 1973.

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

Mr. W. Fowler also attended.

Absent: Rev. J. Free and H. Lewis, sick, T. Salmon and Mrs. Elliott.

The Chairman said they were pleased to see five schoolgirls, who were to take notes for a school project.

369 BRIDGE, REAR OF SEVERN BEACH SCHOOL, FOOTPATH NO. 10.
Councillor Ball reports bridge was completed a few days previously.

431 PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD, SEVERN BEACH STATION.
The British Rail Engineer has passed the Council letter of 15th February to the District Estate Surveyor, from whom a letter will be received. Size of board and method of fixing to railings will possibly be required.

511 NORTHWICK CHURCH.
In reply to questions it was stated memorial tablets were being stored in the Church Tower, and the restoration of the tower was now in progress. Half of the charges were being paid this year 1972/73, the remainder in 1973/74 finances. The firm who demolished the church fabric had taken great care of the churchyard during removal of debris.

535 SEVERN BEACH VILLAGE HALL.
A considerable period of time was taken up discussing the questions of loans and grants. There appeared to be different views on the finances and how they are to be obtained, which are necessary for the construction of the Hall. Finally it was decided that Mr. Denner, Mrs. Elliott, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Parsons should go to Stokefield House to obtain a legal document regarding the loan from the Parish Council to the Hall Committee, and also see Mr. Coles, deputy Treasurer on the question of a grant to be obtained from Parish Council rates, and grants from the R.D.C. and Gloucester County Council. This meeting to be arranged by the Clerk to commence at 4.15 p.m. on a date suitable to all parties.

549 STATION ROAD - MARSH COMMON ROAD JUNCTION.
Mr. Almond is to be asked if he has any suggestions as to what the Parish Council could do to improve this spot.

607 DOGS, FOULING OF FOOTWAYS.
It was decided to ascertain from Lydney R.D.C. where metal signs relating to such nuisance could be obtained, and the cost of notices.

618 TREE PLANTING.
Councillor Ball will inform the Clerk what type of tree is required to replace the dead one on Severn Beach Sports Field. This is requested by the Suppliers. The Suppliers will be asked their cost for maintaining the trees, stakes, netting etc. for a period of one year.

622 MARSH COMMON ROAD, RENUMBERING OF HOUSES.
Certain legal notices have to be displayed before residents can be asked to renumber their properties, and these are about to be put up. Approval for this to be done has been given by the R.D.C.

645 TREES, BEACH AVENUE.
Thornbury R.D.C. is to be asked why the Highway Dept. attend to trees in Abbott Road Verges, yet do not in similar circumstances in Beach Avenue.

657 ROAD SIGNS.
Mr. Almond reports that all the road signs which required reinstatement have been done.

674 ABBOTT ROAD, BROKEN CULVERT.
Mr. Almond refers us to the County Land Agent at Stonehouse if the tree felling was carried out on behalf of the County Council.

FOOTPATH, CROSS HANDS HALT TO DR'S SURGERY.

The British Rail Engineer writes to state this matter is now in the hands of the District Estate Surveyor, who will be writing the Parish Council

GREEN LANE WHITE LINE.

The Divisional Surveyor advises that Green Lane generally, does not reach the required width to enable him to put down lane markings.

MANURE HEAP, ROAD VERGE A403.

Mr. Almond is writing the farmer to remove the heap, and hopes he will co-operate. If this fails, statutory notices will have to be served on him, and this will cause delays. Mr. Huntingdon, the Health Inspector, advises that no Public Health nuisance exists at present.

PILNINING GARAGE CAFE.

The Planning Officer advises the Cafe was inside the General Stores attached to Garage. Planning permission was not necessary when the Cafe was proposed eight months ago. Councillors will keep an eye on the business, which might cause a congestion by cars.

WICKET GATE, BANK ROAD.

Mr. Almond advises the wicket gate maintenance rests with the owner, who may maintain it for the purpose of preventing straying of stock, or remove it altogether. He is writing the owner on the matter.

APPLICATION TO DEVELOPE FIELD OPPOSITE PILNINING CHURCH.

Councillors expressed annoyance that the Planning Officer had not given more details of the development proposed, such as acreage and the number of residences to be built. They suggested the Planning Officer be asked to give fuller information if possible in future.

CYCLING ON BINN WALL.

Complaints having been received of youths cycling on this embankment footpath the Police are to be asked to endeavour to stop this practice.

FOOTPATH, REDWICK TO AUST WARTH.

Iron gate missing, and repairs are required to the old Roman Bridge. Mr. Almond to be informed.

SPUR ROAD TO VILLAGE HALL LEADING TO THE CHESSILL PILL BRIDGE.

This short length of road is in a very bad state, and Mr. Almond is to be asked if he can help in the repair of the surface.

POST BOX OUTSIDE SEVERN BEACH POST OFFICE.

Complaints of water which gathers around the base to be taken up with Postmaster General.

WAINBRIDGE CRESCENT.

Councillor Singer spoke of the destruction of the trees which had been planted at the Eastern end of the Crescent, of cars driven over, and children using the grassed area as a playground. The general opinion of Councillors was, whilst they agreed the area was being spoiled, residents could do a lot to stop misuse of the space themselves. It was felt any notice prohibiting games would be futile, as in a similar instance near to Councillor Edwardes' house.

ABLETON COURT ENTRANCE.

The road to the Flatlets needs resurfacing and this is to be taken up with the R.D.C.

The Councillors unanimously agreed to send a letter to the Rev. J.M. Free wishing him a speedy return to the Council.

Signed D.D. Edwards Offgng Chairman.
2nd April/73

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cheque No. Book 22

GPO Phone rent	5	50	16	✓
Rev Free } Funeral	1	05	17	
Dobson } . books	4	50	18	
Burrough & Hannan, Northwick	46	22	19	
Fisher & Son Church	329	00	20	
Bailey & Son advert	2	40	21	✓
Sworn Beach	2060	00	22	✓
Hall Committee				
Clerks Expenses	35	76	25	✓
Glas Trust Nature Cont	2	50	15	

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