

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 3rd September 2012, commencing at 7.00 pm
in SEVERN BEACH School

COUNCILLORS Mr I L Roberts (Chairman), Mrs F C A Barr MBE
PRESENT (8) Mrs N A Chappell, Mr I W Humphries, Mrs J A Fennell,
Mr A J Lewis, Mr M D Pruett, Mrs C E Woodhouse.

Also Present:- J C Rawlinson (Clerk), Mr R C Griffin (S Glos Councillor) and 4 members of the public (Alderman P L Tyzack, Little Green Lane, Mr Kevin & Mrs Pauline Weeks, Prospect Road and Mrs Victoria Bywater – the newly appointed clerk).

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Councillor Yvonne Gaulton submitted a letter of resignation. Mrs Gaulton has been a member of council since her application to join in May 2011, when she was automatically selected as one of 5 applicants for 5 places in the Pilning ward.

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1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE

Mr L D Nethercott (work commitment).

2. MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 2nd July 2012 were agreed as a true record.

1. IWH 2. CEW 7 For, 1 Abstained (FCAB due to absence)

3. ACTION/RELATED MATTERS

3 - 1 Schools

Awards went to the 2 local schools for the eighth consecutive year. NAC, accompanied by JAF, presented the certificates and cash awards at St Peter's School, the recipients being Chloe-Ann TRUCKLE and Sean PALMER. At Severn Beach School, FCAB awarded certificates and cash to Jade PEARCY and Mason PAULL.

3 - 2 Trees/Tree Planting

A further application has been made on behalf of the operators of the wood yard in Church Road. The first application for a workshop was refused and an exclusion clause imposed against working MDF and other prepared timbers. Though work is officially at a standstill some operations have been taking place at the site.

3 - 3 Travellers

S Glos Council expressed a willingness to be involved in talks with Mr Babbage. The gentleman in question has not responded, however. Bunding work at the 'Mongan' site appears to have been carried out satisfactorily.

Agreed a public meeting be arranged to discuss the traveller situation.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Allotments

15581.01 S Glos impose conditions re new lease for SB allotment site.

15582.02 Mr K Weeks complains of condition of allotments on site.

Audit/Precept

- 15583.03 Grant Thornton replace Mazar-confirmation from Audit Commission.
15584.04 IAC offer services as internal audit specialists.

Building-New Development-Housing

- 15585.05 Merlin outline their policy for refurbishing non-traditional housing.

Campaign to Protect Rural England

- 15586.06 *Countryside Voice*, Summer 2012 edition – circulated.

Clerk/Clerks' Society

- 15587.07 Resignation of Clerk, effective 3rd December, after 21 years service.
15588.08 Contact by Victoria Bywater re vacancy for new clerk.
15589.09 *Clerks & Councils Direct*, July edition - circulated.

Dog Nuisance

- 15590.10 S Glos advise need to replace dog bin at sea wall.
15591.11 RCG relays request for new bin at Beach Avenue path.

Elections/Applications for Parish Council

- 15592.12 Info re new Register of Interests for parish councillors.
15593.13 Mrs Y Gaulton submits her resignation from the council.

Environment/Conservation

- 15594.14 Heritage Forum meeting, 6th September in Thornbury.
15595.15 *Discover Festival* commencing on 6th September.
15596.16 Dave Villis confirms funding available for river levels regeneration.

Grass Cutting

- 15597.17 "The Head Groundsman" offers services for maintenance contracts.
15598.18 PLT, further contact re grass cutting problems.
15599.19 S Glos explain difficulties relating to early completion of grass cutting.
15600.20 S Glos identify progress made in dealing with grass cut problems.

Health Authority/Care Services

- 15601.21 The Bristol Bake Off (hospital fund) raising event, 17-23 September.

Licence Applications

- 15602.22 Application for Cross Hands Inn to become Shamim's.

Local Facilities & Amenities

- 15603.23 Contact by D Nethercott re transfer of burger bar to SB.
15604.24 Detail of the future of the registration service – circulated.
15605.25 Community grant programme for local services.

Local Industry

- 15606.26 Minutes of Stakeholder meeting at Oldbury, 18th July.

Local Industry (cont)

- 15607.27 July update by Nuclear Decommissioning Authority.
15608.28 Report on Oldbury Activities, July 2012.
15609.29 Quarterly report for Licensed Site.
15610.30 Environment Agency report to stakeholder group.

Northwick

- 15611.31 Enforcement team comment on conditions at Vine House, Northwick.
15612.32 PLT opinion on application for stables at Northwick Warth.

Playgrounds/Youth Activities

- 15613.33 Comment by Gary Patterson, The Way Gym, responding to our letter.
15614.34 AJL comments on sturdy, heavy duty, play equipment.
15615.35 Wicksteed seek information on origin of now-damaged item.
15616.36 DCM services advise their availability for play provision.
15617.37 Detail re 'vandal-proof' paint.

Police

- 15618.38 A&S Constabulary seek recruits to join Crime Panel.
15619.39 Safer Stronger Communities group, minutes of 27th June meeting.

Railways

- 15620.40 DoT advise the Filton Bank 4 track system is to be reinstated.

River, Seawall & Environs

- 15621.41 Severn Estuary Forum, 11th September, at Armada House, Bristol.
15622.42 RCG confirms that bollards may be installed across Station Road.
15623.43 S Glos confirm the installation of no parking sign will go ahead.
15624.44 D Nethercott comments on planning extension for burger bar.
15625.45 Detailing re 'no parking' sign for sea wall.

Roads/Road Signs

- 15626.46 Funding for the year's capital programme.
15627.47 Details re stopping-up of adopted highway adjacent Northwick School.
15628.48 DoT apply to stop-up a portion of Ableton Lane, at Avlon Works.

South Glos Council

- 15629.49 Annual Report on Youth Service – circulated.
15630.50 SGN magazine: copies distributed.
15631.51 Parish Charter Working Group, minutes of meeting on 17th July.

Travellers

- 15632.52 National Awareness training event, 10th October in Kingswood.

Trees/Tree Planting

- 15633.53 Assurances from Enviro Health Officer re processing of mdf.
15634.54 Assurances from Environment Agency re processing of mdf.
15635.55 RCG confirms his contact with the Environmental Health Officer.

Utilities – Electricity

- 15636.56 Comment by Jack Lopresti MP re turbines at Ingst.
- 15637.57 National Grid ‘roadshow’ at Avonmouth, 21st July.
- 15638.58 National Grid community forum update - circulated.
- 15639.59 RCG criticises lack of consultation with local residents re Warburton.
- 15640.60 MDP deplores the block on locals attending the Warburton site event.

Voluntary/Community Groups

- 15641.61 O/50s Forum, information days in September/October.
- 15642.62 S Glos Deaf Association, September newsletter.

Website/IT

- 15643.63 Comment by MDP re Facebook page.
- 15644.64 Comment by PLT re public use of Facebook facility.

Planning

- 15645.65 Delegated decisions, w/e 23rd June 2012.
- 15646.66 Delegated decisions, w/e 30th June 2012.
- 15647.67 Delegated decisions, w/e 7th July 2012.
- 15648.68 Delegated decisions, w/e 12th July 2012.
- 15649.69 Delegated decisions, w/e 19th July 2012.
- 15650.70 Delegated decisions, w/e 26th July 2012.
- 15651.71 Delegated decisions, w/e 2nd Aug 2012.
- 15652.72 Delegated decisions, w/e 9th Aug 2012.
- 15653.73 Delegated decisions, w/e 16th Aug 2012.
- 15654.74 Delegated decisions, w/e 23rd Aug 2012.

Accounts/Donations

- 15655.75 Mr N Pearce, odd jobs (Jun/Aug). Item 5-3 refers.
- 15656.76 Micron, computer file upgrade. Item 5-4 refers.
- 15657.77 Avon Alarms, repair at P VH. Item 5-5 refers.
- 15658.78 Contract Electrical, repair at SB VH. Item 5-6 refers.
- 15659.79 Royal British Legion, Wreath/donation. Item 5-7 refers.
- 15660.80 BWBSL, water rates at P allotments. Item 5-8 refers.
- 15661.81 M J Fisher, grass cutting (July). Item 5-9 refers.
- 15662.82 M J Fisher, grass cutting (Aug). Item 5-10 refers.
- 15663.83 Victim Support, donation. Item 5-11 refers.
- 15664.84 SB u/12 football club, donation. Item 5-12 refers.
- 15665.85 Mr & Mrs Collins, toilet keyholder. Item 5-13 refers.
- 15666.86 S Glos Council, booking charge-SB School. Item 5-14 refers.
- 15667.87 KP Badges, plaques for garden/allotment awards. Item 5-15 refers.
- 15668.88 SB Mother & Toddler, spending requirement. Item 5-10, 6/6, refers.
- 15669.89 CAB, letter of thanks. Item 5-16, minutes of 2nd July, refers.
- 15670.90 St Peter’s Hospice, thank you. Item 5-20, minutes of 2nd July, refers.

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT

The accounts below were approved for payment

1. FCAB 2. CEW All agreed.

5.	<u>ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT</u> (cont)			
5 – 1	£ 791.00	J C Rawlinson	Clerk’s wages (August)	112
5 – 2	£ 50.00	J C Rawlinson	Petrol allowance	111
5 – 3	£ 97.50	Mr N Pearce	Odd jobs	111
5 – 4	£ 33.59	Micron	File upgrade	111
5 – 5	£ 112.39	Avon Alarms	Repair system, P VH	LGMP
5 – 6	£ 365.16	Contract Electrical	Faulty panel, SB VH	LGMP
5 – 7	£ 50.00	RB Legion	Donation/Wreath	137
5 – 8	£ 41.79	BWBSL	Water, P allotments	SHAA
5 – 9	£ 750.00	M J Fisher	Grass cutting (July)	*
5- 10	£ 750.00	M J Fisher	Grass cutting (Aug)	*
5- 11	£ 250.00	Victim Support	Donation	142
5- 12	£ 100.00	SB U/12s	Donation	137
5 -13	£ 60.00	Mr & Mrs Collins	Toilet Keyholders	PHA
5 -14	£ 25.00	S Glos Council	Booking-SB School	111
5 -15	£ 36.00	KP Badges	4 plaques, garden awards	137
5 -16	<u>£ 100.00</u>	O W A G	Donation (anti wind farm)	137
	£3612.43			

Items 5-1 to 5-9 inclusive, paid as one cheque.

Bank balance, prior to council payments above = **£53,318.31** (interest to May incl).

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

5 – 5, 6	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1979, s19
5 – 8	Smallholdings & Allotments Act 1908, s26
5 – 9, 10	(Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1979, s19 (Public Health Act 1875, s164
5 – 13	Public Health Act 1936, s87

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None requested.

7. AGENDA

7 – 1 Local Major Developments

Official notification has not yet been received though it is known that the Warburton Wind Turbine proposal has been approved. FCAB queried the logic behind RCG's support for this project.

7 - 2 Village Halls

ILR reported on his meeting with Gary Patterson. Accompanied by MDP, he spoke with Mr Patterson of the concerns of the council re improper use of play equipment. Previously unaware of the possible consequences, GP has promised to prevent further use and is willing to make a donation to the village hall.

AJL is to investigate the possible use of large scale timbers (as climbing frames etc.) as seen in a number of National Trust properties.

Graffiti on the climbing frame at Pilning to be reported to S Glos Council.

7 - 3 Environment/Conservation

The availability of funding was noted. MDP and his father were thanked for their interest in the foreshore conservation area. Their enthusiastic approach was largely responsible for the allocation of this funding.

7 - 4 Allotments

Following on from the concerns expressed by an allotment holder the Clerk and FCAB have independently checked the area. They are to coordinate their efforts and letters will be issued to those perceived to be falling below the required standard.

7 - 5 Grass Cutting

Members are generally unhappy with S Glos Council over the standard of cuts in the parish, pointing to the difference between areas here and those in Thornbury. Overgrowth in the Forge to Whitehouse Farm area is also a problem. Long grass at the Marsh Common junction is impeding vision for drivers.

7 - 6 Development at Northwick

RCG reported on untoward proceedings in respect of the stables application. The neighbour registered an objection, only to be subjected to a visit by 2 Police Officers who suggested the objection should be withdrawn. RCG has referred the matter to the planning committee.

7 - 7 Dog Nuisance

Local residents have again requested the placement of a dog bin at the path between Beach Avenue and Gorse Cover Road. Earlier discussion led to the opinion that further expenditure on dog bins could not be justified. FCAB proposed that if it were to be agreed to provide a bin this would be the place for it. CEW seconded the proposal. MDP opposed the proposal and on a vote of 4-3 (NAC, AJL, MDP) agreed to obtain a dog waste bin.

7 - 8 Village Matters

Severn Beach Village Hall – Following the resignations of YG, JAF has agreed to act as council representative on the committee. For the next meeting (next week) CEW will attend on behalf of JAF.

There was some disquiet at the electrical problems in SB VH. Decided that as the parish council had funded the procedure, sight of the certificate be requested.

Roads/Road Signs – CEW drew attention to the problems at the junction of Severnwood Gardens/Ableton Lane, where parking close to the corner is restricting vision for drivers.

IWH complained of pavement parking in Keens Grove. Problems in SB have recently been dealt with by the visit of a traffic warden, though such a visit barely scratches the surface.

MDP recorded parking at the corner into Stride Close. Advice indicates that the yellow lines should not be there, thus no action can be taken.

NAC again reported the ongoing problem with vehicles being driven on the wrong side of the War Memorial

Photographs – FCAB drew attention to the exhibition of local photographs which can be seen in Bristol throughout the month.

Travellers – AJL reported on intimidating actions by a traveller who has on more than one occasion driven alongside him in a threatening manner. A Traveller trespassed on farm land and was challenged. The Police have been notified.

7 - 9 Reports

SEVERN VALE AREA FORUM – The next meeting will take place in Thornbury on Wednesday 12th September.

8. PLANNING

8 – 1 Comments of PC sent to S Glos Council

PT12/1632/F	Beach House, Riverside Park, double garage	No objection
PT12/1831/F	Change of use + erect 4 stables, Rednend Farm	No objection
PT12/1958/F	21 Cross Hands Road, rear/side extensions	No objection
PT12/2203/F	17 Vicarage Road, side/rear extensions	No objection
PT12/2262/F	Change of use + erect 8 stables, Nwick Warth	Comments
PT12/2490/F	Foxhole Farm, Pilning St, garage/store	No objection
PT12/2519/CLE	Meadow Park, Bank Road – caravans	Objection
PT12/2543/Ext	Bert's Burger Bar, extension	No objection
PT12/2567/MW	Energy Recovery Centre, condition variation	Objection
PT12/2597/F	Cross Hands Inn, side & rear extensions	No objection
PT12/2686/CLP	101 Marsh Common Road, C3 class use	No objection
PT12/2873/O	Land adj Church Road, timber workshop	Objection

8 – 2 Decisions by S Glos Council

PT12/0677/F	Warburtons, wind turbine	Permit
PT12/1207/MW	Sita recycling facility, re-align Spine Road	Permit
PT12/1582/F	Land at rear 1-7 Station Road, fencing & car park	Permit
PT12/1583/F	Severn Lodge Farm, improve and rebuild	Refuse
PT12/1585/LB	Severn Lodge Farm, improve and rebuild	Refuse
PT12/1613/F	31 Marsh Common Road, extension	Refuse
PT12/1659/EXT	Plot 6030, extend time scale	Permit
PT12/1722/F	60 Gorse Cover Road, 2 storey rear extension	Permit
PT12/1757/F	2 Station Villas, extension	Permit
PT12/1764/O	Timber yard, Church Road, operating building	Refuse
PT12/1779/F	6 Abbott Road, front dormer	Permit
PT12/1861/F	80 Redwick Road, rear and side extension	Refuse
PT12/2203/F	17 Vicarage Road, side and rear extension	Permit

Next Council Meeting – Pilning Village Hall on Monday 1st October 2012.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 9.21 PM

Signed.....Dated.....

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