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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE PILNING VILLAGE HALL, 6th November 1972.

Present: Chairman Rev. J.M. Free, Councillors Ball, Denner, Lewis, Parsons, Salmon, Singer, Snell, and Mrs. Elliott.

Apologies from Councillor Edwards.

The Chairman and Councillors welcomed Councillor Denner back after his illness and gave greetings to Mr. Tom Salmon, who has joined the Parish Council, to replace Mr. J. Elliott, who has resigned, and is leaving the district.

- 308 CHALETs ETC. OCCUPIED OUTSIDE LICENCED PERIOD.
This matter to be reported to the Public Health Inspector.
Councillor Denner will in future record date and times occupation is seen.
- 369 FOOTBRIDGE REAR OF SEVERN BEACH SCHOOL.
Work will commence when the materials come to hand.
- 416 SOIL DUMP, REDWICK.
Mr. McBean of the R.D.C. is in hospital; a site meeting will be arranged when he returns to duty.
- 442 FLOOD ALLEVIATION.
Councillors Parsons and Snell will be meeting Mr. Frost to discuss this problem on Wednesday 8th November at 10 a .m.
- 464 ABLETON LANE VERGE.
The verge will receive further attention when the road improvements are completed. Regarding completion of the pavement, Mr. Fowler stated negotiations with land owners are not yet completed.
- 482 FOOTPATH, 39/41 Beach Road, Severn Beach.
The tender of £27 as put in by D. Tones & Son was accepted for the laying of scalplings etc. on the footpath.
- 493 LORRY AND TRAILER PARKS.
The Planning Officer is a member of the Working Party, but he will not reveal the sites being considered. The Parish Councillors' needs will be borne in mind.
- 500 PILNING CEMETERY.
The Chairman mentioned that he had received compliments on the improved appearance of the cemetery, and it had been noticed better attention by relatives was being given to graves and memorials.
- 511 NORTHWICK CHURCH.
The work of demolition of the church fabric had commenced.
- 543 DAMAGED BINS, SEVERN BEACH.
The refuse bin outside the toilets in Beach Road, and one near the entrance to the Swimming Pool are damaged. The R.D.C. to be advised to replace as necessary.
- 555 COAST ROAD RHINE PIPING.
Mr. Almond is awaiting replies from the Drainage Board and County Council. He is glad to learn Councillors agree to find £50 towards costs.
- 561 MISSING STREET. LIGHTS, ABLETON LANE.
Although Mr. Fowler stated delay was caused by a cable having to be laid under a road, the County Council are to be asked to expedite matters.
- 590 STATION ROAD, SWANMOOR, COUNCIL HOUSES.
The Chairman and Mr. Parsons gave their report on the meeting they had with Mr. Frost concerning the building delays to the modernisation of these houses.
- 591 RAILWAY VAN, BLANDS ROW.
Mr. Jessopp states no planning application has been made to use as a garage. His attention is to be again brought to the useage of the van.

- 633 PARISH COUNCILS LIAISON COMMITTEE.
Councillor Parsons gave his report and stated a working committee is being set up. Mr. Kelly, R.D.C. Solicitor is in favour of getting Chipping Sodbury to join in the Scheme with Thornbury parishes. Mr. Parsons was given a vote of thanks for his work.
- 652 WAREHOUSE IN WHITEHOUSE LANE APPLICATION.
The Planning Officer has refused this application.
- 658 FOOTBRIDGE OVER CHESSELL PILL FROM CHURCH PATH.
The estimate cost for repairs is £28, and the Parish Council is asked to pay half, £14, and this was agreed.
- 665 BANK ROAD TRAFFIC CONGESTION.
Councillor Lewis stated that the firm had taken notice of the complaint made, and there was now less disturbance to traffic. The firm also admits the premises have been in a poor state for a long time, and it is their intention to dispose of old vehicles etc., to give them more room for their business.
- 673 PARTS OF TREES IN CHESSELL PILL, PILNING.
It was decided to ask the Drainage Board to clear out the trees.
- 676 PILNING LOW LEVEL, SUGGESTED STEAM TRAIN.
British Rail give little hope of the line being made available to a Railway Society. Mr. Nelson will be shown reply.
- 677 CROSS HANDS ROAD, PILNING.
Councillors Ball, Lewis, Parsons, Singer and the Chairman hoped to be able to meet Mr. Adshead on Thursday 16th November at the Cross Hands to discuss the problem of road obstruction.
- 678 CHEMIST SHOP IN THE PARISH.
A verbal reply was given by the area Manager of Messrs. Westons the Chemists. He would look into the matter, but there was little hope of a branch being opened, the firm are not interested in an area of less than 4,000 people.
- 680 BANK ROAD WAREHOUSE, NORTHOVER BROS. SITE.
Objection to the application for the erection of a warehouse 135 x 60 ft, and a garage, has been made to the Planning Officer.
- 681 TRANSFER OF LICENCE, CROSS HANDS.
Councillors were informed the transfer would shortly take place, and a Mr. Duncan Hobbs from Stratford upon Avon would be taking over.
- 683 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION, ABLETON LANE.
The majority of Councillors supported the application after a lengthy discussion had taken place. The Planning Officer is to be informed a density of more than 12 houses per acre would be an objection. They considered another access from Ableton Lane undesirable, and adequate drainage should be made as the field was known to suffer flooding.
- 685 SEVERN BEACH, PROJECTED VILLAGE HALL.
The financial Committee reported an estimate of approximately £3,000 being required for the needs of the parish in year 1973/4. The question then arose of any help being given to the above Hall Committee, who as the result of withdrawal of an anticipated Government Grant, had asked for the advice of the Parish Council. It was recommended that a Public Meeting called by the Hall Committee be held, at which the facts would be given, and the strength of the demand for the Hall be ascertained, and the willingness to bear the cost be determined by the public gathering.
The Parish Council, however, would adopt a neutral attitude, and only put forward such facts as the public wished to be enlightened upon. This was decided after a vote was taken, resulting in 5 votes for to 3 against.
- 686 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION, SEVERN BEACH BATHING POOL.
Councillors opposed this application as being against the general welfare of local residents.

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687 FOOTPATH TO SURGERY VIA CROSS HANDS HALT.
Application to be made to British Rail for permission to cross railway track and field to surgery.

688 PILNING PLAYING FIELD: USED AS SHORT CUT CROSS HANDS TO BANK ROAD.
A complaint that a woman with a perambulator was stopped at the entrance to Northover's premises was discussed. A courteous letter is to be sent asking for such persons to be permitted to use, as has been done for many years.

689 TOILETS AT SEVERN BEACH.
In consequence of the complaints re filthy state, and vandalism at the toilets, the R.D.C. is to be given the suggestion that the building be locked up at least during Winter months, *time at night time*

690 CHESSELL AVENUE.
The R.D.C. is to be asked to collect the rubbish left after the Bonfire of 5th November, and also repair the nearby fencing.

691 PARISH IMPROVEMENTS.
Councillors were asked to submit their suggestions to the Chairman by 20th November.

No Ref. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE PARISH COUNCILS 2nd and 3rd Nov. 1972.
The Chairman gave a fully comprehensive report of his visit to the Conference. His remarks covered practically all matters discussed, the questions and answers given to Agenda items, and to speeches made on various subjects.

Many of the subjects will be in the Government Bill soon to be published.

Councillor Lewis spoke of the amount of work entailed to give such an x informative report, and he, with all the other Councillors gave their thanks to the Chairman for the work so well done.

VACANCY ON FINANCE COMMITTEE.

This is caused by the resignation of Mr. Heremy Elliott. It was decided to leave this matter in abeyance.

FOOTPATHS.

Councillors Ball and Parsons *offered to* will inspect footpaths at Redham and Rookery Lanes, which are overgrown. *write*

FIELD ADJOINING PILNING PLAYING FIELD.

Some mention was made that if this field could be obtained it would prove to be an excellent addition to the area. The Hall Committee are dealing with the question of a possible purchase, and the outcome must be awaited.

SPECIAL SERVICE, PILNING CHURCH.

This will be held Sunday 19th Nov. and have a bearing on "Pollution". It is hoped Dr. Maggs will give an address.

BUNGALOW DEVELOPMENT. NEW PASSAGE.

No information on this development had been received from Planning *OFFICER*

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PAYMENTS AUTHORIZED.

52	Weeks	Shelter Cleaning	110.00
53	Pullin	July Aug. Sep ⁵	160.00
54	Raven Press	Stationery	2.75
55	nature	Conservation	1.25
56	National	Conference Tickets (2)	9.60
57	Pullin	Hedge's Cemetery	2.00
58	G.P.O.	Phone Rent	5.50
59	Pullin	Free Conference Expenses	22.33
60	Dobson	grave Digging	14.50

Signed James M. Lee
Chairman.

Date 4th December 1972.