

PILNING & SEVERN BEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 7th March 2011, commencing at 7.00 pm,
in SEVERN BEACH School

COUNCILLORS Mr I W Humphries (Chairman), Mrs F C A Barr MBE,
PRESENT (8) Mr J A Black, Mrs N A Chappell, Mr S G Cooper,
Mr D T A Humphries, Mr I L Roberts, Mrs C E Woodhouse.

Also Present:- J C Rawlinson (Clerk), S Glos Councillor Mr P L Tyzack and 1
member of the public (Mr D Nethercott of Beach Road)..

**The Chairman asked all present to remember
Mrs Evelyn Teasdale of Severnwood Gardens and Mr Joe Hardwick,
both recently deceased. Although not resident within the parish Mr Hardwick
had continued to farm within the local community.**

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE

Mrs N Bendall (health reasons), Mr N D Webb (work commitment).

2. MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 7th March 2011 were approved as a true record.

1. FCAB 2. ILR All agreed.

3. ACTION/RELATED MATTERS

3 - 1 Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

Somewhat belatedly work has commenced on providing the new crossing on Cross Hands Road. Currently there is no indication of how long the work is likely to take.

3 – 2 Schools

Despite a site meeting with S Glos in which a list of problems was identified, none of the work has yet been carried out. There are strong feelings over this and it was proposed FCAB, seconded ILR, all agreed, that S Glos be asked to carry out the promised works within 7 days or the parish council would make arrangements to withhold access. The entrance gate in particular remains a problem.

3 – 3 Travellers

Legal measures are currently being considered at the Mongan site. At the Safer Stronger Community Group meeting attention was drawn to complaints by St Peter's School of toxic fumes wafting in from the site following the burning of cables to extract the copper core. A large number of gas canisters are now stored on-site, as are 6 caravans, with a number of transit-style vans coming and going.

3 - 4 Allotments

Concerns over the condition of the changing rooms. S Glos require the building be maintained in its 'present state'. This caused some derision. General opinion favoured demolition of the structure, either by S Glos or the parish council. IWH and one other to visit Richard Hill to finalise details.

4. CORRESPONDENCEAllotments

- 14651.01 PLT identifies sites let by S Glos for peppercorn rents.
14652.02 PLT to ask supplementary question at council meeting.
14653.03 PLT raises a number of points re allotment leasing agreement.
14654.04 Gregg Latchams dealing with first draft of lease document.
14655.05 GL query a number of issues re allotment agreement.
14656.06 Right of way to rugby ground confirmed as valid.

Audit/Precept

- 14657.07 IAC of Bath propose themselves for internal audit services.

Aust Road/Severn Road

- 14658.08 Confirmed lorry bodies now removed from site adjacent Church Road.

Avon Local Councils Association

- 14659.09 ALCA confirm detail of new address at Blagdon.

Bus Services, Shelters & Signs

- 14660.10 Rob Wiltsher to take action re bus bay opposite old Police station.
14661.11 Contact made with local residents re above.
14662.12 Comment sought re above.

Clerks' Society

- 14663.13 *Clerks & Councils Direct: 2011 issue.*
14664.14 *The Clerk*; March edition – circulated.

Campaign to Protect Rural England

- 14665.15 S Glos District AGM, Winterbourne, 19th March 2011.

Elections/Applications for Parish Council

- 14666.16 Info re duties of parish councillors.
14667.17 Dates and details re forthcoming elections.
14668.18 Letter from NWD re imminent departure from council.

Environment Agency

- 14669.19 Managing flood risk on the estuary; consultation document.

Health Authority/Care Services

- 14670.20 NHS Community newspaper – copies distributed.

Legal Representation

- 14671.21 Copy, Gregg Latchams contact with S Glos.
14672.22 Notes of complaints following meeting with S Glos at school.
14673.23 Ongoing corres between Gregg Latchams and S Glos re above.

Local Facilities & Amenities

- 14674.24 Quick reference guide to holding street parties.

Local Industry

- 14675.25 Community event at Oldbury, Tuesday 29th March.
14676.26 Community update document distributed to all households.

Playgrounds/Youth Activities

- 14677.27 Wicksteed 'Flexi-Swing' brochure.

River, Seawall & Environs

- 14678.28 Info re Flood & Water Management Act 2010.

Roads/Road Signs

- 14679.29 Info on 'Speedvisor' signs mounted in Ableton Lane.
14680.30 Detail of speed limits to be imposed within the area.
14681.31 Micro asphalt programme details – none within this parish.

Rural Area/Local Plan

- 14682.32 Core Strategy document to be submitted to Government, 24th March.

Traffic Problems/Transport Policy

- 14683.33 Government (through local council) crack down on pavement parking.
14684.34 A403 closures due bridge works.

Travellers

- 14685.35 Copy of PLT/Dawn Russell emails re Mongan site activity.

Voluntary/Community Groups

- 14686.36 Deaf Association newsletter, March edition.

Planning

- 14687.37 Delegated decisions, w/e 23rd January 2011.
14688.38 Delegated decisions, w/e 30th January 2011.
14689.39 Delegated decisions, w/e 6th February 2011.
14690.40 Delegated decisions, w/e 13th February 2011.

Accounts/Donations

- 14691.41 Bendrey Bros, pickets for rail gate. Item 5-3 refers.
14692.42 Computerinks, inks for printer. Item 5-4 refers.
14693.43 Post Office, postage stamps. Item 5-5 refers.
14694.44 N Pearce, odd jobs, February. Item 5-6 refers.
14695.45 Bristol Water, water rates at allotments. Item 5-7 refers.
14696.46 Ian Roberts, inks for 'bridge' photos. Item 5-9 refers.
14697.47 C Thompson, work at SB VH. Item 5-10 refers.
14698.48 Avonmouth Signs, signs for SB VH. Item 5-11 refers.
14699.49 Gregg Latchams, costs re allotments. Item 5-12 refers.
14700.50 SB United Church, refund of donation. Item 5-21, mins 6/09, refers.

5. ACCOUNTS for PAYMENT

5 – 1	£ 768.00	J C Rawlinson	Clerk's wages (February)	112
5 – 2	£ 50.00	J C Rawlinson	Petrol allowance	111
5 – 3	£ 9.31	Bendrey Bros	Pickets for gate	HA
5 - 4	£ 90.13	Printerinks	Printer inks	111
5 - 5	£ 6.20	Post Office	Postage stamps	111
5 - 6	£ 82.03	N Pearce	Odd jobs	111
5 - 7	£ 24.40	Bristol Water	Allotment water rate	SHAA
5 - 8	£ 50.00	Mr & Mrs Collins	Toilet keyholder	PHA
5 – 9	£ 46.23	I Roberts	Printer ink	111
5 – 10	£1250.00	C Thompson	Ramp at SB VH	LGMP
5 – 11	£ 198.00	Avonmouth Signs	Signs for SB VH	LGMP
5 - 12	<u>£2650.40</u>	Gregg Latchams	Allotment costs	SHAA
	<u>£5224.70</u>			

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

- 5 - 3 Highways Act 1980, s36
- 5 - 7/12 Smallholdings & Allotments Act 1908, s26
- 5 - 8 Public Health Act 1936, s87
- 5 – 10/11 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1979, s19

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

Bank balance, prior to payments above = **£28,292.57** (with interest to Sept inclusive).

The accounts above were approved for payment.

- 1. ILR 2 NAC All agreed

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None requested.

7. AGENDA7 – 1 Local Major Developments

Nothing to report.

7 - 2 Village Halls/Playing Fields

Nothing to report.

7 – 3 Parish Plan

No matters have been progressed. Confirmation still awaited from S Glos.

7 – 4 Playgrounds/Youth Activities

FCAB reported the appointment of a new youth worker. This information was gained at the recent Safer Stronger Community meeting. The youth bus has attended at the burger bar but there has been little interest from youngsters. Suggested the bus could perhaps attend at the village hall, though at Pilning this could create its own problems.

7 - 5 St Peter's School

As a barrier is not to be erected at Cross Hands Road it has been suggested that a spring could be attached to the church path gate so the gate will always be closed against youngsters who might otherwise run out onto the road. A 'soft' spring as used at the play enclosure might be the most suitable, though health and safety issues need to be considered. With proposals now received for speed limit alterations, FCAB asked that markings could be placed across the Bank Road entrance to the path, parking on Bank Road now being extremely problematic, particularly, of course, around start and end of the school day. CEW reported on her visit to the school, accompanied by ILR. Although individuals have made specific complaints over particular matters, CEW was generally impressed with the quality of the building.

7 - 6 Village Matters

Cemetery/Churches – ILR has learned that the St Nicholas site in Church Road is again on the market. The original 'buyer' has dropped out on the basis of being unable to build on the site – this is the current presumption in the area though as PLT said, without submitting an application they could not know whether or not this is so! The price is said to be £100,000, a ridiculously high price if building could not go ahead. ILR also commented on a local survey of Trinity Hall which revealed the work required to 'put things right' was minimal. The hall is no longer in public use and the church authority has expressed the wish to wash their hands of it.

NAC again raised the question of the ground hollows inside the entrances into the 'new' cemetery. IWH is to speak with both the cemetery caretaker and the odd job man to arrange for the matting (still stored at the clerk's house) to be laid at the site. With Trinity Hall now closed, NAC sought clarification of the status of the commemorative plaque donated by the parish council. Agreed NAC would initially contact Roy Edwardes as a conduit to the Church Commissioners.

Waste Dumping/Disposal/Landfill – ILR reported complaints of litter. Church Road/Little Green Lane identified as a starting point for the Odd Job Man.

Village Halls – ILR commented on the condition of the village hall, suggesting that he could investigate a rebuild programme leading to the setting up of a new community centre. With no financial involvement by the parish council, agreed a useful purpose may be served in going ahead with this investigation.

Bus Services, Shelters & Signs – With parking still a problem across from the police station, agreed we should again respond to the consultation process.

Utilities – Telephone – CEW drew attention to the problem that arose along Marsh Common Road. A lorry brought down a power line with the consequent loss of 'phone and internet. PLT commented on the status of such services, any complaints need to be reported directly to Ofcom.

Severn Road (A403) – CEW reported on problems along this road on Sunday morning, the route being blocked by travellers' vans following a pony and trap race. FCAB confirmed this is a '999' matter.

7 – 7 Reports

AREA FORUM – PLT confirmed the next meeting will be held on Wednesday this week, at which time the traveller problem above could be raised.

FUNDING – Now available through the 'Vision for the Future of S Glos', though it was mentioned that a Pilning Pips application had been turned down.

SOUTH GLOS COUNCIL – PLT confirmed that whilst details of the budget were yet to be worked out, the council tax levy would be maintained at its current level during 2011/12.

SCHOOLS – PLT stated that at 4.00 pm this Thursday Pilning School would be open for a disposal sale of surplus items.

STATIONERY/CIRCULARS/BOOKS – Clerk confirmed the photocopier has now broken down and parts are no longer available. Agreed Clerk should be tasked with obtaining a replacement.

8. PLANNING

8 – 1 Comments of PC sent to S Glos Council

PT11/0256/F	SB United Church, temporary Elliott building	No objection
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PT11/0399/F	Ingleside Northwick, rear and side extensions	No objection
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8 – 2 Decisions by S Glos Council

PT10/3547/F	Pilning Surgery, portacabin as temporary pharmacy	Permit
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8 - 3 Planning Appeal

PT10/2100/F Re-submission of PT10/0012/F: erection of 3 detached dwellings.
Refer to Secretary of State.

8 - 4 Application Withdrawn

PT11/0256/F Elliott building, temporary replacement for current facilities.

PT11/0399/F Ingleside Northwick, rear and side extensions

Next Council Meeting - Pilning Village Hall on Monday 4th April 2011

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 9.03 PM

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

JCR

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