

MINUTES OF MEETING 2ND JULY 1973 AT PILNING VILLAGE HALL.

Councillors present: A. Ball, R. Edwards, Rev. J. Free, H. Lewis, T. Salmon, R. Singer and J. Snell, who acted as Chairman.

Apologies: S. Parsons, A. Denner. Absent: J. Sellick.

MINUTES of June Meeting signed.

308. CARAVANS ETC. USED AS DWELLINGS.

No reply has yet been received from Planning Officer.

357. LIFEBELT AND LINE, SEVERN BEACH.

Mr. Snell mentioned how he found the apparatus had again been interfered with, and line useless in an emergency. It was resolved to ask the R.D.C. to have the belt and line put in a locked box, and key placed alongside and under glass.

416. PILNING CHURCH TO A403 ROAD.

Mr. Almond writes the work on this road will commence some time in August.

474. GORMLEY'S CAFE.

The Public Health Inspector is to carry out an inspection, and result must be awaited.

500. PILNING CEMETERY.

Councillor Singer expressed dissatisfaction at condition of Cemetery. The mower had been repaired and this should help to improve the appearance of the Cemetery by the Caretaker. Mr. Singer was appointed as the Liaison between Caretaker, Cemetery and Council. Mr. Parsons to be asked to see Mr. Dobson (Caretaker) and explain his duties.

511. NORTHWICK CHURCH TOWER.

The Chairman read a report on the condition of the Tower and Churchyard. Improvements to Tower were suggested and these are to be forwarded to the Architect. No payment to be made until work is completed to the satisfaction of the Parish Council. The weather vane to remain as at present minus the "S" which fell off many years ago. The base of the Tower to be kept open for a period to see if any misuse occurs. Measurements taken by Mr. Snell and the Clerk found the road ended at the Churchyard gate. Mr. Ball will act in a liaison capacity when the Tower and Churchyard becomes Council property. Mr. Snell at the next Church Council Meeting will make inquiries regarding stones left from demolition in the Churchyard.

535. SEVERN BEACH HALL.

An Agreement between the Parish Council and the Hall Committee concerning the repayment of the Loan of £2060.00 from the Council has been drawn up, and the necessary signatures will be obtained.

558. PILNING TIP.

Mr. Frost is to be informed of the bad state it has become, and to be asked why not let to some person.

640. MARLWOOD SCHOOL.

The County Education Officer is to be asked to reconsider the decision against appointing a School Manager to the School.

646. ABLETON LANE, SEVERN BEACH, VERGE.

This verge is still in a bad state, and Mr. Almond is to be written to tidy it up. Mr. Ball would meet Mr. Almond if necessity arises.

671. SCHOOL MANAGER, SEVERN BEACH SCHOOL.

Mr. A. Ball was appointed as a Manager in place of Mr. Snell, who for private reasons felt he should resign from the office.

674. CULVERT DAMAGE, ABBOTT ROAD.

It has been ascertained the Blakeney Saw Mills, Yate, hauled the trees, and this firm is to be written to and asked to bear the cost of the culvert repair.

639. TOILETS, SEVERN BEACH.
The R.D.C. to be asked to close toilets 8 p.m. in Summer, in Winter 6 p.m. and to make the toilets more presentable to the public.
729. CHRONIC SICK.
It was decided to wait a further reply from Mr. Tennant, the Area Director of the Social Services Dept. Filton, before taking the question up with the County Health Office.
739. CEMETERY MOWER.
Councillor Singer was thanked for his work on the machine, and his suggestion that two sets of blades and bolts be obtained was agreed.
743. "S" BEND, WHITEHOUSE LANE, SIGN REQUIRED.
This request made by the Rev. Free will be reviewed during improvements programmed for Whitehouse Lane after work on B6055 is ended.
747. DEAD FISH IN CHESSEL PILL.
The Councillors expressed satisfaction at the prompt manner this matter was dealt with. A letter is to be sent to I.C.I. asking the outcome of the examination of the dead fish at their Brixham laboratory.
748. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION, BEACH AVENUE.
The Councillors decided to object to this application in similar terms to previous applications in the area.
749. FIRE STATION SIREN.
The Firemen have been given pocket "Bleepers" for a more rapid call out at times of emergency. The Councillors want the siren restored as a warning to parents that firemen are being called to the fire station, and there could be a danger to children, and the Chief Fire Officer is to be written to restore.
760. PLANNING COMMITTEE.
It was decided the Planning Committee to be composed of four Councillors, Rev. J. Free, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Ball and Mr. Snell.
- FINANCES AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.
Mr. Lewis was against a small committee, and he felt this was a matter for the whole Council. Councillors agreed, and it was suggested a meeting to be held and open to the public in each quarter of the year, and in the evening. Only Finance to be discussed. First meeting to be held in November. Terms of reference are to be drawn up.
761. PROSPECT ROAD, SEVERN BEACH.
Adjacent to this road on the Parkland Estate is an amenity area. Mr. Almond is to be asked to get the grass cut on this piece of land.
765. LACK OF ATTENTION TO LETTERS AND COMPLAINTS BY THE R.D.C.
It was decided to send a strong letter to Mr. Frost concerning the lack of attention to letters, to delay in dealing with complaints, and leaving the work on projects in an untidy state or not entirely finished.
- No Ref. PLAYTIME SCHEME.
Mr. Edwards stated he required two more helpers from Severn Beach. Mr. Ball offered to try and get them. Mr. Edwards was thanked for his services.

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43	Glos Parish Councils Assn	31	75
44	Glos Playing Fields Assn	2	10
45	Thornbury & Districts Sports Council	2	00
46	Ingall Parsons (Gross Mats)	23	05
47	Mr Dobson	40	00
48	Mr Weeks	10	00
49	Mr Pullin	60	00
50	Postmaster	6	05

Signed A. Parsons.
DATE 6th August/73