

PURITON PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of **Puriton Parish Council** was held at Puriton Sports Centre on **Tuesday 11th January 2005 at 7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited Mr Jimmy Hood Chairman of The LAT (Local Action Team) to address the meeting. Mr Hood indicated that as he was new to the post and that The LAT had not long been in existence there was not a great deal to report upon. He was however anxious to make some progress on the siting of the proposed Youth Shelter and he hoped everyone involved would be willing to make some movement on the project. Councillor Mrs J Fletcher Chair of the Puriton Playing Fields advised the meeting that there was a written response on its way to Mr Hood but she was not prepared to give an indication as to the nature of the reply until he had received the communication. Mr Hood then retired from the meeting.

PRESENT: Councillor P Herbert (Chairman & District Councillor) Mesdames J Fletcher & S Tizzard Messrs B Crowe D Good M Healey (Vice-Chairman District & County Councillor) & M Randle together with the Clerk Mr B Poole.

In addition there were two members of the Public and PC Alison Giddings of the Avon & Somerset Constabulary present.

“Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race gender sexual orientation marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder Health & Safety and Human Rights”

Declaration of Interests

6.5. Councillor P Herbert	Member District Development Planning Committee
6.7.1 Councillor Mr M Healey	Chairman - Village Hall
6.7.2 Councillor Mrs J Fletcher	Chair/Trustee – Puriton Playing Fields
6.7.2 Councillor Mr M Randle	Trustee - Puriton Playing Fields
6.7.2 Councillor Mrs S Tizzard	Trustee - Puriton Playing Fields

6.1 Apologies

Councillor Mr B Watts - Work

6.2 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14th December 2004 were taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman.

6.3 Matters Arising

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| (1) “No Ball Games” Sign | MR |
| (2) Downend Residents Visit – Wessex Water | MH |

Still progressing

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| (3) Casual Vacancy | BP |
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The Clerk read to the meeting a letter received from Mr J Tossell who appreciated being asked to fill the casual vacancy but declined the invitation due to other commitments.

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| (4) Provision of New Bus Shelter | MH |
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It was agreed that quotations should be sought.

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| (5) Footpath – Webbers Way | BP |
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Matter still being investigated.

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| (6) St Michaels & All Angels – Grant | BP |
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| (7) Mrs G Williams – Fall | BP |
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Matter still being investigated

The Clerk confirmed that SDC had been duly advised of the Council's precept requirements.

6.4 Finance

(35)	SLCC	Annual Subscription	30.33	
(36)	SALC	Annual Subscription 2004/2005	350.83	
(37)	Staples	Stationery	96.85	16.95
(38)	Mr B Poole	Clerk's Salary – December	157.56	
		PAYE	44.44	
		Office Expenses – December	50.00	
(39)	Bruce Poole & Company	Postage – December	6.16	

Resolved that the Accounts other than Invoice Number 36 as presented be paid. As to Invoice 36 it was agreed to take no action at present.

BANK RECONCILIATION

Current Account	11135.01
Less Uncleared Cheques	

Total	11135.01
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Opening Balance	9896.23
Receipts	11,500.00
Sub Total	21396.23
Payments	10261.22

Balance at 7th January 20005	11135.01
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Current	7814.20	
Street Light Reserve	2000.00	
Election Reserve	320.81	
Youth Shelter	1000.00	11135.01

The Chairman Councillor Herbert retired from the meeting during the following discussions.

6.5 Planning Committee Report

(1) Outstanding Applications

42/04/00026 – Approved 04/01/2005

Erection of two dwellings – amended scheme
Land South of 48 Puriton Park Puriton

Subject to further discussion

42/04/00027

Erection of building to house swimming pool
10 Hillside Crescent Puriton

The Council had no objections as the proposal was sited as not to have an adverse impact on adjoining properties

42/04/00028

Conversion of garage to living accommodation including replacement of flat roof with pitched roof to garage and porch installation of front bay window and erection of single storey rear extension and conservatory
42 Puriton Park Puriton

(2) New Applications

42/04/00029

Erection of part single storey part two storey extension to south elevation partly on site of conservatory (to be demolished) and erection of porch to north elevation
31 Riverton Road Puriton

As the applicant was a Parish Councillor the Council chose not to make any comments

(3) Appeals

APP/V3310/04/1164386

Formation of new access etc....

Express Power Ltd

The Chairman Councillor Herbert returned to the Meeting.

6.6 Open Spaces Committee Report

- (1) Footpaths & Bridleways

JF

It was noted that the Council was waiting to hear from SDC's Footpaths Officer.

6.7 Reports

- (1) Village Hall

It was noted that the sum of £640.00 had recently been raised at the Xmas Fayre.

- (2) Puriton Playing Fields

It was agreed that this heading would in future be an agenda item.

- (3) District Councillor

- (4) County Councillor

Nothing to Report

- (5) Village Beat Officer

Alison expressed her concern at the apparent lack of progress with regards to the siting of the Youth Shelter.

- (6) Parish Councillors

Councillor Mrs S Tizzard advised on the following:

- (a) Globe Light Broken on Puriton Hill
- (b) Line of Trees – path dangerous from resin droppings – Canns Lane/Waterloo
- (c) Overhanging Trees on narrow path – Court Cottage Woolavington Road

6.8 Correspondence

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| (1) | Puriton Playing Fields | Youth Shelter | |
| (2) | NALC | DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 596 – 27 th December 2004 | C |
| (3) | SCC | Temporary Road Closure – A38 West Huntspill | NB |
| (4) | SDC | Planning Applications – 02/12/2004 – 08/12/2004 | C |
| (5) | SDC | Fireworks | C |
| | | Refuse Collection – Christmas Period | NB |
| | | “What’s on” | C |
| (6) | SLCC | Conditions of Service for Clerks of Local Councils | BP |
| | | Annual Subscription Details – 2005 | BP |
| (7) | SDC | Planning Applications 09/12/2004 – 15/12/2004 | C |
| (8) | Puriton Playing Fields | Copy Letter to Local Action Team | BP |
| (9) | SDC | Planning Applications – 16/12/2004 to 22/12/2004 | C |

Additional items received after circulation of the agenda

- (10) Puriton Playing Fields Letter from Mrs J Fletcher – Chair PH

The contents were read to the meeting.

- (11) Mr Tossell Casual Vacancy PH

See 6.3.3

(12)	SDC	Planning Application – 23/12/2004 to 29/12/2004	C
(13)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> – Issue 597 – 10 th January 2004	C
(14)	SCC	Temporary Road Closure – A38 Bristol Road	NB
(15)	SDC	Events 2005	C
(16)	SDC	Sedgemoor Charter for Local Councils	BP
(17)	Plus Services	Local Councils Update	C
(18)	FOI	Poster – Your Right to Know	NB
(19)	Clerks & Councils	“Direct” January 2005 Issue 37	C
		Suppliers Guide & Year Book	BP

6.9 Other Business referred to the Clerk

None

6.10 Date of next Meeting

Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 7th February 2005 commencing at 7.30 pm.