

## PURITON PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of **Puriton Parish Council** was held at Puriton Sports Centre on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2005** at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

At the commencement of the meeting the Chairman moved that Agenda item 8.3.4 be taken at this part of the meeting – Agreed.

The Council then **Resolved** that Mr J Hood be invited to fill the casual vacancy. He agreed and subsequently proceeded to make the Statutory Declaration before the meeting which was signed by him and endorsed by the clerk. The Chairman welcomed to the Council.

**“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”**

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

In addition there was one member of the public present.

### **Declaration of Interests**

<b>8.5. Councillor P Herbert</b>	<b>Member District Development Planning Committee</b>
<b>8.5 Councillor Mrs J Fletcher</b>	<b>Trustee application adjoining Puriton Playing Fields</b>
<b>8.5 Councillor B Watts</b>	<b>Friend of Applicant</b>
<b>8.7.1 Councillor Mr M Healey</b>	<b>Chairman - Village Hall</b>
<b>8.7.2 Councillor Mrs J Fletcher</b>	<b>Chair/Trustee – Puriton Playing Fields</b>
<b>8.7.2 Councillor Mr M Randle</b>	<b>Trustee - Puriton Playing Fields</b>

### **8.1 Apologies**

Councillor Mrs S Tizzard

### **8.2 Minutes**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2005 were taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

Councillor B Watts arrived at the meeting at 7.40 pm

### **8.3 Matters Arising**

(1) Matters Raised by the Public

(a) Constitution – Puriton Playing Fields

See 8.3.11

(2) “No Ball Games” Sign MR

In Hand

(3) Downend Residents Visit – Wessex Water MH

(4) Casual Vacancy BP

See above

(5) Provision of New Bus Shelter MH

It was noted that this work had been completed.

- (6) Footpath – Webbers Way BP  
 (7) Mrs G Williams – Fall BP

The clerk advised the meeting that these two matters had now been concluded.

- (8) Youth Shelter PH

It was noted that this provision was currently being discussed by the village LAT

- (9) Line of Trees – Resin Droppings – Canns Lane BP  
 (10) Overhanging Trees & Narrow Path – Court Cottage Woolavington Road BP

It was noted that these two matters were receiving attention by SDC.

- (11) Constitutions & Accounts BP

It was noted that the clerk had received a copy in respect to the Playing Field and had made one or two observations to Councillor Mrs Fletcher. He was yet to receive a copy from the Village Hall Committee.

- (12) Enforcement Action – Illegal Encampment BP

It was noted that SDC had not as yet provided the clerk with a response.

- (13) SCC – Puriton Hill BP

It was noted that SCC had confirmed that the required work was about to commence.

#### 8.4 Finance

(43)	Sage	Payroll Cover	26.69	4.67
(44)	Mr B Poole	Clerks Salary – February	157.56	
		PAYE – February	44.44	
		Travel – February	60.00	
		Office Expenses – February	50.00	
(45)	Bruce Poole & Company	Postage – February	4.56	

**Resolved** that the accounts as presented be paid

#### **BANK RECONCILIATION**

Balance per Bank Statements as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2005

Current Account		10555.05
Less Uncleared Cheques		
62	113.80	
67	37.49	
68 Correction	1.00	(152.29)
<b>Total</b>		<b>10402.76</b>

Opening Balance	9896.23
Receipts	11,500.00
Sub Total	21396.23
Payments	10993.47

**Balance at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2005 10402.76**

Current	7081.95	
Street Light Reserve	2000.00	
Election Reserve	320.81	
Youth Shelter	1000.00	<b>10402.76</b>

The Chairman left the meeting at 7.50 and the Vice Chairman assumed the chair

## 8.5 Planning Committee Report

### (1) Outstanding Applications

#### **42/04/00016 – Referred to Committee**

**MH**

Erection of feed mill two warehouses provision of weighbridge vehicle hard standing  
Land North West of Dunball Roundabout West of Bristol Road Dunball

#### **42/05/00001 – Refused 10/03/05**

Formation of all weather horse riding arena  
OS Field No 8200 South East of Puriton Park Puriton

#### **42/05/00002 – Approved 28/0205**

Erection of part two storey part first floor side extension  
29 Riverton Road Puriton

### (2) New Applications

#### **42/05/00004**

Erection of agricultural building to house livestock  
Agricultural Building to the East of Puriton Sports Club Batch Road

The Council had no objections.

#### **42/05/00005**

Reduce height of one Lombardy Poplar Tree by 3 metres and reduce height of one Copper Beech Tree by 2 metres and thin crown by 10% both within area G1.  
26 Hillside Puriton

As the applicant was a Councillor the Council chose not to comment

### (3) Appeals

#### **APP/V3310/04/1164386**

Formation of new access etc....  
Express Power Ltd

The Chairman returned to the meeting at 8.05 pm

## 8.6 Open Spaces Committee Report

### (1) Footpaths & Bridleways

**JF**

Councillor Mrs Judith Fletcher advised the Council that certain signposting had taken place in recent weeks.

## 8.7 Reports

### (1) Village Hall

Some maintenance work has taken place in recent weeks.

### (2) Puriton Playing Fields

It was reported that the Trustees are currently drawing up in conjunction with The Charity Commission's advice a more workable and up to date scheme. When asked it was confirmed any such scheme adopted would come before the Parish Council for ratification.

### (3) District Councillor

### (4) County Councillor

Councillor Mark Healey handed over a cheque to the Parish Council in the sum of £1000.00 to fund the proposed Youth Shelter. He also handed a cheque in the sum of £500.00 to Councillor Hood.

- (5) Village Beat Officer

No report

- (6) Parish Councillors

Councillor Dave Good suggested that the effectiveness of the circulation would only work if everyone passed it on as quickly as possible so that it proceeded through the whole council between each Parish Council meeting. The Chairman and Vice Chairman apologised for holding on to February circulation longer than they should.

The clerk was asked to request for "School Sign" at Hillside.

- (7) LAT

Councillor Hood said that currently some 640 survey lists had been circulated throughout the village. The clerk indicated that there were some 834 properties listed and 1591 electors recorded.

## 8.8 Correspondence

(1)	SDC	Planning Applications 27/01/2005 to 02/02/2005	C
(2)	SCC	Reply - Various Matters	BP
(3)	defra	Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Bill	C
(4)	SALC	Various items of Circulation	C
		Details – Joint Spring Conference	BP
		Salaries & Benchmarking Workshop	BP
		The Local Channel	C
(5)	SDC	Planning Applications 03/02/2005 to 09/02/2005	C
(6)	Inland Revenue	End of Year Information	BP
(7)	SCC	Agenda – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2005	C
(8)	SCC	Footpaths - Webbers Way	JF
(9)	NALC	DISExtra Issue 600 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2005	C
(10)	SDC	News – Spring 2005-02-19	C
		Polden Hills Parish Cluster Group	JF
(11)	SCC – Mr T Carroll	Puriton Hill Safety Measures	MH
(12)	Inland Revenue	End of Year Information	BP
(13)	The Standards Board	A Code for the Future – Consultation Process	C
(14)	Inland Revenue	Employers Pack 2005-02-23	BP
(15)	SCC Fire & Rescue	The Home Fire Safety Check Scheme	C
(16)	SDC	Planning Applications 10/02/2005 to 16/02/2005	C
(17)	The Clerk	Vol 35 No 1 February 2005	C
(18)	Plantscape	Product Catalogue	C
(19)	Shaping Health	Patient & Public Involvement Forum	C

### Additional items received after circulation of the agenda

(20)	SDC	Notice of SCC Elections – 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2005	NB
(21)	SDC	Planning Applications 17/02/2005 to 23/02/2005	C
(22)	Environment Agency	Seminar 21/03/2005 The Control of Pollution (Oil Storage) (England) Regulations 2005	C
(23)	SDC	Occasional Public Entertainment Licence – BIBIC	PH
(24)	SALC	Affiliation Fee 2005/06	PH
		Somerset Rural Youth Project – Spring 2005	C

## 8.9 Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) Make arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting

**Resolved** that this meeting would take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at the Village Hall commencing at 8.00pm. The normal monthly Parish Council Meeting would precede this meeting.

- (2) To appoint an internal auditor

**Resolved** that a short list of suitable persons would be drawn up and a decision made at the April meeting as to who would act as the Council's internal auditor.

- (3) To note that the Council have approved and agreed the new terms commencing the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005 in respect to the Clerk's Contract as recommended jointly by the NALC & SALC – see the "Private Minute Book"

**Resolved** that the Chairman proceed to sign the contract on the Council's behalf

**8.10**

**Date of next Meeting**

**Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 11th April 2005 commencing at 7.30 pm.**