

PURITON PARISH COUNCIL

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Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited Mr & Mrs Jones residents of Dunball to address the meeting. They indicated that they were concerned at the potential size of the proposed development of the British Cellophane site in Bridgwater and the possible impact it might have on the village of Puriton especially the hamlet of Dunball. It was explained that whilst it was known that a potential development might take place on this site as yet plans had not been lodged. When they were Puriton Parish Council will no doubt be consulted and it will be at that time it would formulate a view. Mr & Mrs Jones were thanked for attending and departed from the meeting.

The Chairman then introduced Mr Felix Marsh of the Community Council for Somerset who addressed the meeting on the ramifications of carrying out a "Housing Needs Survey". He was asked a number of questions as to the timing of such a survey. He was also thanked for attending and then departed from the meeting.

Minutes of a Meeting of Puriton Parish Council that was held at The Village Hall Puriton on Tuesday 10th February 2009 that commenced at 7.45 pm when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT Councillors Mr M Healey (Chairman) Mrs J Fletcher (Vice Chairman) Mrs S Tizzard Messrs P Burke B Crowe M P Herbert G Lavick and the clerk Mr B Poole

"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 age sexual orientation marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder Health & Safety and Human Rights"

49.1 To receive and accept apologies for non attendance

None

49.2 To receive any declarations of interest

Ref	Councillor	Type	Relationship
49.6.2	M P Herbert	Prejudicial	Applicant Ex Employee – 42/09/00001
49.8.1	M Healey	Personal	Chair – Village Hall Management
49.8.2	Mrs J Fletcher	Personal	Chair/Trustee – Puriton Playing Field
49.6.2	Mrs S Tizzard	Personal	Trustee – Puriton Playing field

49.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2009

Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th January 2009 that had been duly circulated be taken as read and be approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

49.4 Matters Outstanding - For the purpose of report only

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| (1) | Notice Boards – Downend & Village Hall | BP |
| | Waiting for a further quote | |
| (2) | Hillside Telephone Box | BP |
| (3) | Pathway – Webbers Way/Rowlands Rise | MH |
| (4) | Overgrown Boundary Hedges – Webbers Way/Hall Road | BP |

- No tangible progress to report
- (5) Village Bus Services and Hall Road Bus Stop GL
Meeting scheduled for the next day
- (6) Dis-functional Street Light – Hillside BP
Still not working – clerk to follow up
- (7) SDC – CEO Response – Gypsy Site BP
No further action – remove from agenda
- (8) Footpath Survey – enlisting a volunteer JF
Matter now concluded
- (9) Padlocked Gate JF
Comments from SCC noted
- (10) Newsletter & Web Site Advertising Invoices PB
It was noted that these had now been issued
- (11) IT Equipment MH
The Chairman provided a further interim report on the progress of this matter
- (12) Dog Faeces JF
It was noted that contact had been made with the dog warden
- (13) Visibility Requirements – Traveller’s Site ST
The meeting noted SDC’s response
- (14) SDC – 2009/10 Precept Requirement BP
Noted that SDC had confirmed acceptance of the Council’s request

49.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the months of January 2009

(53)	SLCC Practitioner’s Conference – VAT Element		9.50
(56)	Staples Stationery	55.68	8.35
(57)	Mr B Poole Salary & Expenses – January		716.85

Resolved that the invoices as presented be paid

49.6 Planning Committee Report

(1) To receive an update on the following considered applications

42/08/00018

PH

Change of use and conversion of farmhouse to three dwellings including a two storey side extension. Demolition of double garage and erection of triple garage. Erection of double garage for previously approved barn conversion and provision of access.
Land at Downend Farm Downend Crescent Puriton

42/08/00019

PH

Construction of building for storage of classic cars
Land to the rear of 1 and 2 Station Road Dunball

(2) To consider and respond to the following planning applications

42/09/00001- Target Date 16/02/09

GL

Erection of two storey side extension and formation of access and parking to the front
26 Woolavington Road Puriton

The Parish Council recommended approval of this application for the following reasons:

- That it was an amendment to planning application 42/08/00017
- Compliant with national regional and local planning policy and guidance

49.7 Open Spaces Committee Report

To receive reports from the brief holders

(1) Footpaths & Bridleways

JF

It was reported that the up to date notice regarding the proposed diversion had still not been posted.

(2) Village Newsletter

PB

Copy date for the next issue was the 27th February

(3) Web Site

PB

It was noted that residents were continuing to register their details on the site which was not the case as far as the Parish Councillors were concerned.

49.8 To receive the following reports

(1) Village Hall

Rehearsal for the Pantomime was in full swing with the performances commencing next week.

(2) Puriton Playing Fields

Noted that the AGM was due to take place in the next two weeks.

The Council also approved that the following documents should be signed by the proper officer

- T-Mobile licence renewal
- Assignment from T-Mobile (UK) Limited to T-Mobile (UK) Limited and Hutchinson 3G (UK) Limited

(3) SALC

Details in the circulation pack including training information for Councillors

(4) District Councillor

Councillor M Paul Herbert gave a brief outline of the proposals that may come forward in respect to the British Cellophane site

(5) County Councillor

Councillor Mark Healey referred in some detail to the IT Equipment being provided to the Parish Council

(6) Village Beat Officer

No report – it was noted that apologies had been proffered

(7) Parish Councillors

(i) Barrie Crowe

Reported on the Hillside Light – See 49.4.7 and the dysfunctional “Keep Left” sign

(ii) Paul Herbert

Concerned about tractors mounting grassed areas where daffodil bulbs are planted

(iii) Peter Burke

Confirmed that the Parish Councillor photos would now be placed on the village website

(iv) Geoffrey Lavick

Concerned again about indiscriminate parking in Canns Lane and wished to obtain a copy of SCC’s “Gritting Policy”

(v) Sandra Tizzard

Submission of two invoices in separate envelopes for which the Clerk provided a reason and the upended Post Box at the top of little path.

(vi) Judith Fletcher

Reported on the continuing problem of rubbish being deposited at Hillside and the broken on the dog bin at The Rye

(8) LAT

It was agreed that this item should be removed from the agenda

(9) Poldens Cluster Meeting

Councillor Mrs Judith Fletcher reported on the meeting where a PACT presentation was given

(10) The Clerk

Reported on the proposed WWYC Training in Bleadon and his immediate holiday plans 17th-24th February

49.9 To receive and consider the following correspondence and e-mails

(1)	HMR&C	Incentive Payment £100.00	BP
(2)	SCC	Donation - £1000.00	BP
(3)	SDC	Parish Council Vacancies - - Target Date 16/02/09	BP
(4)	SCC	Communications and Marketing	C
(5)	SDC	Local Plan Policies for Outdoor Sport (Policy RLT3)	BP
(6)	Rural Services	Newsletter	C
(7)	NALC	DISExtra Issue 701 26/01/09	C
(8)	SALC	Various items of information	C
(9)	SDC	Dog Bin Emptying Quotation	BP
(10)	SALC	“Power of well-being” – Training Seminar	BP

Additional items received after circulation of the agenda

(11)	SDC	E-Mail – Code of Conduct Training Session – 31/03/09	BP
(12)	NALC	DISExtra Issue 702 - 09/02/09	C

49.10 Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To resolve to agree to the proposed collection charges for Dog Bin Emptying by SDC in the sum of £2.51 plus vat per bin per week

Resolved to accept the charges but on a fortnightly basis

49.11 Date of next Meeting – Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 10th March 2009 commencing at 7.45 pm.