

PURITON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of Puriton Parish Council that was held at **The Village Hall Puriton** on **Tuesday 12th January 2010** that commenced at **7.45 pm** when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT Councillors Mr Mark Healey (Chairman) supported by Mrs S Tizzard Messrs B Crowe N Garnett M P Herbert R Hindle 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”

58.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance

Councillors Mrs J Fletcher (Working) P Burke & G Lavick together with PC Jasmine Desmond and PCSO Lora Bray

58.2 To receive any declarations of interest

Ref	Councillor	Type	Relationship
58.8.1	Mr M Healey	Personal	Chairman – Village Hall
57.8.2	Mrs S Tizzard	Personal	Trustee – Puriton Playing Field

58.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th December 2009

Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 8th December 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

58.4 Past Subject Matters

To receive the Clerk’s circulated paper for the purpose of report only

- (1) Matters Raised by the Public – December Meeting BP
- (a) Local Development Framework – Core Strategy – Parish Meeting
- SDC were duly advised of the Parish Council’s comments

- (2) Hillside Telephone Box BP
 No progress to report
- (3) IT Equipment MH
 Nothing to report
- (4) "Illegal" Parking & Meeting GL
 The next steps are in the hands of the Beat Managers
- (5) Damaged Fencing – Hall Road BP
 No progress to report
- (6) Finger Post request to SDC "Court Farmyard (Rye)" BP
 The resident has been advised of SDC's response
- (7) Bright Lights Competition MH
See 58.8.7 (a)
- (8) Bus Shelter Insurance Claim BP
 Now awaiting a cheque from the insurers
- (9) State of Little Lane GL
 (10) Overgrown Hedge – Puriton Park ST
 Nothing to report
- (11) Parish Council Asset List BP
 Awaiting response from the Village Hall Management Committee
- (12) Hedge – Travellers Site Woolavington Road ST
 Sedgemoor have been advised of the Parish Council's concerns and it now awaits a response
- (13) SDC – Precept 2010/11 BP
 SDC have been advised of Council's requirements. BP

58.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the past month

(50)	Village Hall	Hall Hire	280.00
(51)	Puriton Inn	Councillor Expenses	40.20
(52)	Mr B Poole	Salary & Expenses	689.12
(53)	SLCC	Practitioners Conference	65.00
(54)	Mr B Poole	Audit Costs	23.17

Resolved that the accounts as listed be paid

58.6 Planning Committee Report

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

42/09/00022 – Approved 22/12/09

Erection of conservatory to rear extension
 Orchard View Middle Street Puriton (resubmission of 42/09/00016)

RH

42/09/00023 – Approved 16/12/09 **GL**
Change of use from agriculture to haulage business, including retention of yard, office and toilet buildings, parking of lorries and staff vehicles, storage of portacabins and containers, access and the continued use of workshop and fuel tank for related purposes and retention of lighting
Location: Hillside Farm, Woolavington Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, TA7 8AA

42/09/00024 – Council Target Date 3/12/09 **PH**
Erection of four dwellings with integral garages and formation of access
Land at Downend Crescent Puriton

The District Councillors present advised the meeting that the application had been approved that very afternoon

Resolved that the clerk should write to SDC in respect to their core strategy by requesting that they include the hamlet of Downend within the settlement boundary for Puriton

42/09/00025 – Approved 18/01/10 **JF**
Erection of single storey extension to East elevation and installation of replacement roof to existing porch to North elevation
31 Newlyn Crescent Puriton

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

42/09/00026 – Council Target 27/01/10 **GL**
Erection of a conservatory to SW elevation
57 Puriton Park Puriton

Site visit being currently arranged

(3) Appeals

APP/V3310/A/09/2115740 **MH**
Planning Application 42/09/00003
Formation of access
Puriton Manor Rye Puriton

APP/V3310/E/09/2115739 **MH**
Planning Application 42/09/00004
Formation of access
Puriton Manor Rye Puriton

58.7 Open Spaces Committee Report

To receive reports from the brief holders

(1) Footpaths & Bridleways **JF**
Nothing to report

(2) Village Newsletter **PB**
(3) Web Site **PB**

No report presented

58.8 To receive the following reports

(1) Village Hall **MH**

It was noted that the Pantomime season was about to start and that a very successful Christmas Soiree had been held.

- (2) Puriton Playing Fields JF
Quotes were currently being sought for the upgrading of the car park.
- (3) SALC
In the pack
- (4) District Councillor MPH
See 58.8.7.(b)(i)
- (5) County Councillor MH
Explained what steps had been taken in recent days to secure additional gritting in Hall Road
Resolved that the subject of Grit Bins should be placed on a subsequent agenda for further discussion
- (6) Village Beat Officer JD
No reports available
- (7) Parish Councillors
- (a) Cllr M Healey
Gave details of the successful winners in the Bright Lights Competition.
- (b) Cllr P Herbert
- (i) Disabled Access
Resolved that the clerk should investigate the acquiring of a “Disabled Car Parking Space” on behalf of Mr & Mrs Hurst of 24 Webbers Way.
- (ii) Disabled Space Woolavington Road
Resolved that the clerk should write to SDC explaining that the “Disabled Car Parking Space” in Woolavington Road appears not to now be required.
- (iii) EDF and Park & Ride
Resolved that the clerk should write Helen Vitterey Highways Officer suggesting that EDF be requested to provide and allocate a number of parking spaces in their proposed “Park & Ride” in order to accommodate all the vehicles who currently park all day within the village confines.
- (iv) NE Bridgwater
Resolved that the clerk should write to Nick Tait and Doug Bamsey of SDC setting out the Parish Council’s concerns relating to the NE Development plans
- (c) Cllr Mrs S Tizzard
Raised the question of the “Fly Posting” sign entitled Carnival Park.
- (8) Poldens Cluster Meeting
It was noted that next scheduled meeting had been cancelled

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| (9) | The Clerk | BP |
| | Nothing to report | |

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

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| (1) | Puriton Playing Fields Accounts for the year end 31 st December 2008 | C |
| (2) | SDC Special Council Meeting – Hinkley Point & National Grid | C |
| (3) | NALC DISExtra Issue 724 – 14/12/09 | C |
| (4) | RCC “Thatch” Autumn 2009 | C |
| (5) | SALC Items of Interest – December 2009 | C |
| (6) | SRYP Winter 2009 Newsletter | C |
| (7) | Puriton School Fund Seeking Letter | BP |
| (8) | National Grid Hinkley Point C Connection Project | C |

Additional items received after circulation of the agenda

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| (9) | NALC DISExtra Issue 725 – 11/01/10 | C |
| (10) | SALC Items of Interest to Councillors and Clerks – January 2010 | C |
| (11) | Notts Sports Advertising Material | C |
| (12) | Sedgemoor Community Support | C |
| (13) | SDC Polden Hills Cluster Meeting – Cancelled | JF |

58.10 Other Business referred to the Clerk

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| (1) | To resolve to set up an Affordable Housing Working Party | BP |
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Resolved that Nick Garnett and Barrie Crowe serve on the working group

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| (2) | To agree a formal process for the appointment of a Village Ranger | BP |
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Resolved that the Parish Clerk draw up a job specification and person specification in order for the Parish Council to consider further the appointment of a self employed contracted Village Ranger

58.11 Date of next Meeting – Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 9th February 2010 commencing at 7.45 pm.