

Draft

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7 July 2008 at 8.10 p.m. in the Village Hall, Hardwicke, following an interesting discussion on Waste & Recycling with County Councillor Waddington.

ATTENDANCE

Mrs J. Storton (Chairman)
Mr I. R. Butler
Mrs T. A. Harrison
Mrs B. A. Hunt

Mr D. G. Middle
Mrs D. Mumford

Mr G. R. Littleton (SDC), Mr D. L. Tomlins (GCC), who left for another meeting, and the Clerk. **Apologies** were received from Mrs Box, Mr Hunt, Mr Newell, Mrs Oxley and Mrs Smith. There were no **Declarations of Interest**. The Minutes of the meeting of 2 June, having been circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

72/08 **POLICE REPORT/COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT**

PC Peer had sent his report, which had been circulated; he had hoped to attend the meeting. Andy Foster would send a weekly programme of where he would be, which would be useful, but members requested that he say when he would be around, especially at the Play Area.

73/08 **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

Mr Littleton reported on Hunts Grove (Mr Longmuir would be invited to the October meeting to give the latest position), the building in Pound Lane, drainage problems with the Shorn Brook, compensation for flooding and grasscutting by his council.

74/08 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

59/08 Data Protection: members reconsidered the display of names & addresses in the notice boards and agreed that this should be done, and that they should be listed occasionally in Hardwicke Matters, but not shown on the website.

64/08 report of Quedgeley Fun Day 21 June: Mrs Mumford, Mrs Box and Mr Butler had attended with Andy Foster, and had answered various questions.

75/08 **CORRESPONDENCE**

From GAPTC/NALC: Local Council Review, July

From GCC: Minerals & Waste Newsletter

The Clerk magazine; Clerks & Councils Direct magazine; letter of thanks from SARA who hoped that the parish council would support them next year; Glos City Council letter on Strategic Housing Land Assessment; Severn Voice Minutes (copied to all) and invoice; GPFA training seminar 11 Sept (Mrs Mumford and Mrs Harrison would go); request to cut brambles at The Plantation path (Andy Foster was looking into this)

Email messages: removal of Bristol Rd payphone, consultation period until 14 July; AGM of Vision 21 9 July; GAPTC course on Data Protection & Freedom of Information Act 9 July; Flood conference 14 July; question from SDC on whether people with large gardens could allow vegetable-growing to those without (Clerk had responded positively); Pharmacy Needs Assessment; confirmation that SDC would undertake grounds maintenance in its areas (mostly Dales Wharf) and would like to meet with members (Mrs Harrison to contact); letter on a high hedgerow (passed to SDC)

76/08 **PLANNING MATTERS****Applications**

S.08/0965/FUL 2-storey rear ext at Waverley, 6 Elmgrove Rd West (no obj)

S.08/1294/FUL 3-bed bungalow adj. Hembury House, Sellars Rd (no obj)

Decisions Notified by the Planning Authority

S.08/0560/FUL 2-storey side ext at Inverness, Elmgrove Rd W (permitted)

S.08/0561/FUL single storey ext & porch at Ellis Farm, Sticky Lane (permitted)

S.08/0611/COU c/use from B8 to B1c, B2 & B8 at Quadrant Distrib. Centre (permitted)

S.08/1067/FUL upgrade burner etc at Premier Kitchens, Quadrant (permitted)

Appeals

S.07/2317/FUL 2m high fence at 3 Wharfdale Way (allowed on condition that a 2m x 2m splay is provided for visibility)

S.08/0280/FUL rebuild of commercial unit at Green Farm (retro) starting 3 July

77/08 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Cheques for the following accounts were approved and signed:

HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE & NIC)	£46.46
Glos. County Council (pension)	£166.86
Clerk salary, June	£745.78
Mrs D. M. Edwards, June	£287.04
Moonbeam, grass cutting May x 2	£270.00
Dale Haines, turfing at Churchyard as agreed	£260.00
Elmore Parish Council (Severn Voice meeting)	£7.22
Clerk's expenses Apr/June	£200.47
Moonbeam, grass cutting June x 2	£270.00
Hardwicke Village Hall hire	£49.00
T. W. Hawkins & Sons, grass cutting	£792.30
Greenfields Garden Services	£70.50
T. W. Hawkins & Sons, grass cutting	£716.75

Requests for Donations

Friends of Severn Vale for contribution towards minibus: an application form had been received and a grant of £100 was approved. It was agreed that the council should set dates in June and December for consideration of grants on a half-yearly basis. This would be publicised in Hardwicke Matters.

Audit 2007/8

External Auditor Moore Stephens had received the Annual Return and would return a Report in due course.

78/08 **PARISH MAINTENANCE****Ditch clearance**

No further word from the Estate on Church Green ditches. The Clerk was asked to write again asking the Estate to clear the lower part of the Shorn Brook behind The Old Thatch.

Elmgrove Estate Play Area

Inspection report would be signed.

Playing Field Agreements

Signed copies had been received from the Sunday Football and Hardwicke AFC. Rangers had asked for an amended Agreement to include the use of two mini-pitches on the main field and the main pitch on Sunday afternoons during the dates specified in the AFC Agreement. Rob Dawe had agreed to take on Tony King's role in deciding on the use of the field in adverse weather, so a note to that effect would be sent to all the other teams as an appendix to the Agreements.

Tony King had died on 18 June; the Chairman and Clerk had attended the funeral and the Clerk would write a piece for Hardwicke Matters on his parish council activities.

Gardens Competition 2008

Wyevale had responded with a form letter to say that they only support Breast Cancer Care. It was agreed that tokens would be purchased by the council.

The Pond

FWAG report was still awaited (Clerk to chase up again). SDC had been unhelpful over the rats there so it was important to know whether there were watervoles or not.

Bledisloe Cup

Hardwicke had got through the first round; second round judging would take place between 13 and 27 July.

Grass Cutting

An estimate from Hawkins for extra works to the cricket outfield was still awaited. The cutting at the Church had improved and the new turf there was looking good.

79/08 RECREATION GROUP REPORT

Mrs Mumford had prepared a comprehensive report of the Recreation Group's actions and recommendations. Trouble from groups of youths at the Play Area, and the possible provision of CCTV there, was discussed. Individual members would contact Quedgeley councillors to see whether the two councils could work together on these problems. Tarmac and fence repair at the Youth Shelter would be left for the moment.

80/08 PLAYScheme

The Village Hall had been booked for 18-22 August and the Scheme had been advertised in Hardwicke Matters.

81/08 TRAFFIC

The Estate had confirmed that tractors spotted speeding in Pound Lane/Church Lane belonged to others. Mr Butler had kept members informed on the onward progress of the data collected.

82/08 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

A large piece of furniture had been dumped at Overbrook Road (to be reported to Andy Foster); the gate from the churchyard to Church Farm needed attention.

83/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING was confirmed for Monday 4 August 2008 at 7.30 p.m

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.30 p.m.

Date Signed