

# *Pitcombe* Parish Council

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**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council  
held in the Hobhouse Suite, Bruton School for Girls  
on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2008 at 8.30 pm**

Present: Councillors: **Beech, Elliot, Hartnell, Jury, Taylor, Whittaker**  
In the Chair: Councillor **Taylor**

In attendance:  
Residents of the Parish: – Derek & Anita Pheby  
District Councillor: Maili Felton

## **1. Public Participation**

Anita Pheby commented on the failed rubbish collections during the past week . Councillor Beech explained that all collections had been changed to Fridays and that residents should have received notification regarding this. However it seems that the delivery of the date change notifications was haphazard and many residents were not aware of the changes. Councillor Taylor would take up the matter with the appropriate authorities.

## **2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008**

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

## **3. Matters Arising from the Minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008.**

None

## **4. Apologies for absence**

Councillor **Carter**. County Councillor **Robinson**,

## **5. Declarations of Interest**

None

## **6. Grove Cross and Wagon & Horses Crossroads.**

Councillor **Jury** confirmed that he had written to both Ansford PC and Castle Cary TC to jointly press for action and stated that he had received favourable responses from both councils.

Ansford PC within whose parish the crossroads are located would be meeting on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April and will be discussing the matter.

## 7. Planning Applications – For Consideration.

### South Somerset District Council.

**08/01039/FUL – Mr. A Drysdale Conversion of redundant barn into holiday let accommodation (GR: 367204/133096). Amended Plans**

**Location:** Pitcombe Farm, Pitcombe Hill, Pitcombe, Bruton Somerset BA10 0PF

**Observations:** Concern was expressed regarding additional parking requirements such a development would impose on the local community. The application does not mention a proposed swimming pool shown on the construction plans.

## 8. Reports.

**Councillor Hartnell** presented the receipts and payment records for the year April 2007 – March 2008 and commented on the current account balance of £1607.98. The next council meeting will finalise the accounts. Councillor Taylor proposed that £1000 of the balance be transferred to the Scottish Widows contingency fund.

### **Councillor Jury:**

Confirmed his action to date on the Wagon and Horses crossroads in item 6 of these minutes. He also confirmed that he had written to county highways regarding road repairs required in Mill Lane, Sunny Hill Lane and the triangle at the top of Lime Kiln Lane. He was awaiting a reply and would report back at the next meeting.

**Councillor Whittaker:** Commented on the rubbish and debris which was building up in various roadside locations throughout the parish. A general discussion confirmed that this was a continuing problem. District Councillor commented that the district council operate a service called streetscene. Councillor Taylor will make contact to try and resolve these issues.

**Councillor Taylor:** Reported he had been invited to and had attended a meeting with SSDC & SCC officers responsible for The Hadspen Flood Alleviation Scheme along with residents and District Councillor Maili Felton. Various matters had been discussed and conclusions reached. He was still waiting for the promised letter from Roger Meacham of SSDC. Councillor Taylor also stated he had asked Mr. Meacham to send a letter of apology to Mrs. Apperly as it became apparent during the meeting that she had not been informed that the meeting would take place on her land.

## 9. Accounts for payment

There were no accounts for payment

**10. Correspondence**

CPRE	Fieldwork Magazine
CPRE	Countryside Voice (Spring)
SCC	Focus on.. Transporting Somerset
Audit Commission	Annual Return Forms
Shopmobility	Information Sheet
Somerset Highways	Highways Group Changes
SSDC	Outcome of Area East Forum
The MG Car Club	Kimber Classic Trial
Allianz	Insurance Renewal Forms

Councillors are welcome to inspect any correspondence or ask for copies.

**Meetings.**

SSDC

Area East Committee 9<sup>th</sup> April 2008

**Next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2008.**

*Members of the Council are asked to consider the above matters in the exercise of their functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability): Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights*