

# *Pitcombe* Parish Council

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**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council  
held in Hadspen Village Hall  
on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at 7.30 pm**

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

In attendance:

Beat Officer: WPC Sara Stevenson

District Councillor: Miali Felton

Residents of the Parish: Ken Elliot, Willie Constantine, Connie Earle, Martin Atkins, Niki Atkins, Jim Linden

David Nurse

## **1. Public Participation**

Mr. Ken Elliot brought to the attention of the meeting up the subject of litter and waste material, probably builders material, that has been left in the field near his house. Also a trail of litter is left from the Wagon and Horses through to Cole appears every Monday morning.

## **2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

**Councillor Beech:** asked that his suggestion at the meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> July that the Press be notified re the arrows should be minuted.

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2008 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

## **3. Matters Arising from the Minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> August 2008.**

i). The Walk/.Arrows

**Councillor Jury** reported that had had no reply to his email or letter – the latest of which was sent on August 26<sup>th</sup>. The District Council to be approached as to how much it will cost to remove the arrows.

**Councillor Jury** to ask the Council for an estimate of costs involved. It was decided that **Councillor Jury** would write again to the School asking for an explanation for the arrows now that term had started again. It was decided that the Parish Council would not take the matter to the press at the present time.

ii). Hadspen Notice Board

**Councillor Taylor** reported that the Village Hall Committee had proposed the sum of £250 to be given towards the cost of a new Notice Board. That being the case **Councillor Taylor** will now order a new board.

#### 4. Apologies for absence

Councillor Robinson

#### 5. Declarations of Interest

**Councillor Hartnell** – in regard to the Planning Application before the Parish Council but would be able to speak as a resident of the Parish.

#### 6. Planning Applications – For Consideration.

**08/03138/FUL – Mr. Martin Atkins – Demolition of bungalow, garage and outbuildings and the erection of a detached dwelling with integral annexe and garage/store (GR 367169/133518)**

**Location:** Derwent, Mill Lane, Pitcombe, Bruton, Somerset BA10 0PH

**Councillor Taylor** had received correspondence on this planning application which was available to the Council.

**Mr. Linden** reported that he had written three letters expressing concerns about the application. The issues covered in these letters were in relation to the raised risk of flooding to Old Station Lane, apparent discrepancies in the application forms and the appearance of the site. He raised the question as to whether restrictive covenants could be placed on the development in order that it would only be a dwelling rather than a work place.

**Councillor Hartnell** (from the floor) – felt that there was a need to replace the present structure on the site but was concerned that the current application was out of proportion to what was being replaced.

**Mr. Constantine** asked whether the workshop would still be used.

**Mr. Elliot** reminded the meeting of previous planning applications where there had been objections raised in regard to new houses being built in Mill Lane. These objections had been considered untenable under current planning law and had led to large fines being imposed on the District Council.

**Mr David Nurse** replied to the questions raised in regard to the planning application and said any errors would be amended.

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**Councillor Taylor** asked that the errors in the application be amended and the flooding risk assessed by the planners. He would postpone reporting until this had been done and suggested a special meeting to be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September when the issues raised could be revisited before a final report would be submitted.

**7. Planning Applications - Determined**

**08/02140/FUL MR R Scott: The erection of an extension to south elevation of kitchen wing to provide dining area GR 366837/133673**  
**Location: Cole Manor Cole Bruton Somerset.**

**Refused Permission by Planning**

**Mrs. Scott** informed the meeting of what had happened with this particular application in regard to the timing of the refusal. **District Councillor Felton** is looking in to the matter. **Councillor Taylor** also expressed the frustration felt in the way many planning matters are dealt with particularly in reference to enforcement.

**08/02424/LBC Mr. Alexander Harley: The installation of replacement garage doors and the creation of a new internal doorway (GR 366817/133717)**  
**Location: The Manor House Cole Bruton Somerset BA10 0PL**

**Consent Granted**

**8. Reports.**

**Councillor Elliott:**

Reported that two large vehicles are now parked at the bottom of Rodge Lane – presumably for apple pickers. She will be keeping an eye as to the duration of their stay.

**Councillor Jury:**

Residents in Mill Lane whose fence was knocked down in June have now had their fence replaced by the contractors who were responsible for the damage.

**Councillor Taylor:**

Reported that the motorbikes that have caused a nuisance in the past in Pitcombe had returned on Sunday.

**The phone box.**

An email has been sent to Tim Cooke at District and objections to the removal have now been registered.

**Councillor Taylor** also told the meeting about two schemes run by BT in relation to phone boxes in rural communities.

Firstly it is possible to sponsor a phone box for £500 per annum or alternatively it is possible to Adopt a Kiosk for £1.

**Councillor Elliot** asked **Councillor Jury** about the drains in Honeywick that are blocked. **Councillor Jury** will contact the Highways.

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**Councillor Taylor** asked **District Councillor Felton** re phone box veto. She will be looking in to the matter.

**District Councillor Felton** asked if there was any progress on the flood alleviation scheme. No flooding has been reported.

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**9. Correspondence**

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

**SSDC**  
**Victim Support – Somerset**  
**CPRE**  
**SSDC**  
**SALC**  
**Mendip Housing**  
**Somerset C.C.**  
**J. R. Linden**  
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**W.G. & J.V. Constantine**  
**SSDC**  
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**Flood Awareness**  
**Funding Request**  
**Fieldwork - Magazine**  
**Draft Decision Document – BT Phone Boxes**  
**Special Circ. Re BT Phone Boxes**  
**Annual Review**  
**Local Transport Plan 2 - Summary**  
**Planning Application 08/03138/FUL**  
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**Re. Adopt/sponsor Kiosk**  
**Parish Council Allowances**

**10. Meetings/Workshops**

<b>10/09/2008</b>	<b>SSDC</b>	<b>Area East Committee</b>
<b>20/09/2008</b>	<b>CPRE</b>	<b>AGM</b>
<b>27/09/2008</b>	<b>SALC</b>	<b>AGM</b>

**11. Items for next agenda**

**12. Date, time and place of next meeting**

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**To be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 7.30pm in Hadspen Village Hall**

*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*

