

## Southwick & Widley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Montgomery Room, D-day Memorial Hall, Southwick on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 at 7.30pm

#### Present:

Mr. J. Cooper (Chairman)  
Mr. B. Welch  
Mr. A. Richards  
Mrs. J. Houghton  
Mrs J. Nainby-Luxmoore  
Mrs D, Beswick  
Mr J. Watson  
Mrs S Grant  
Mrs P Hayward

#### Also present:

Reverend R. Green  
PC J Blunden  
Major T Winchcombe  
One Member of the Public.

#### In attendance:-

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.

#### 10.001 Apologies for absence: - None

#### 10.002 The Minutes of the previous meeting:-

Proposed Mrs S Grant seconded Mr A Richards and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2009 should be signed as a true and accurate record.

#### 10.003 Matters Arising:- Nothing as all items will be covered in the body of the meeting.

#### 10.004 Public Participation:-

- i) Major Winchcombe
  - a) Asked what is the intention of County, District and Parish Council with regard to the Armed Forces Day on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June?
- ii) Reverend Green
  - a) Reported that a lot of rubbish had been left in plastic bags on the bye-pass.

Mr Cooper said that he would make enquiries and let Major Winchcombe know.

Mr Cooper said that he would contact the contractor responsible for the collection of rubbish.

#### 10.005 Community Safety: -

- i) PC J Blunden reported:
  - a) That it had been very quiet period with only twenty reported incidents and that these included only one burglary of garden equipment.

#### 10.006 Proposed Parish Website:

- i) Mr Watson reported that Alan Aldridge has still not come forward with any proposals about a community website.

Mr Watson to liaise with the Clerk and investigate the possibility of the Parish running its own website.

#### 10.007 Correspondence: All correspondence had been given to the Parish Councillors before the meeting.

**10.008 Playing field matters:**

- i) Mr Cooper said that he would be talking to other local Councils and seek their advice as to what they recommend to improve the playing field and children's play equipment. He will come back with proposals on how best to spend the money in the Open Space Fund

**10.009 Street Lighting Matters:**

- i) Street light number 15 has a broken glass. The Clerk to report this to Southern Electric Contracting.

**10.010 Roads & Highway matters:**

- i) Mr Watson has reported the blocked drains to the County Council.
- ii) Mr Cooper said that the potholes had been reported to the County Council and that they will be entered into the repair programme.
- iii) Jim Preece has provided the Parish Council with a quotation for constructing a tarmac pavement to the Royal Naval Cottages. Mr Cooper said that he would give details of the quotation to County Councillor Goodall.

**10.011 Planning Matters:** Nothing

**10.012 Members business:-**

- i) Mrs Grant:
  - a) Reported that the wooden parapet across the bridge at Widley Walk is broken.
  - b) Asked for permission to get the mower serviced. This was unanimously approved.
- ii) Mr Richards reported that the lay-by is being blocked off by contractors,
- iii) Mrs Beswick asked about the notice boards?  
  
Mr Richards said that he is getting a quote for two notice boards.
- iv) Mr Richards said that the D-day walk notice board needs renovating. This to be reported to Portsmouth City Council.
- v) Mrs Houghton reported that the footpath styles need renovating. The Clerk to report the styles to the County Council's Rights of Way Section.
- vi) Mrs Nainby-Luxmoore said that the grass verges need attention.
- vii) Mr Cooper said that the Village Hall can request grants for all repairs, maintenance or renovation work it requires.

Mr Watson said that he would raise this at the next meeting of the Hall Committee.

**10.013 Orders for Payment**

i) It was unanimously agreed that the Council should pay its bills:

**Cheque List February 2010**

<b>Transaction</b>	<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Creditors Name</b>	<b>Payment For</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Nett</b>
305	000970	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses	40.00	0.00	40.00
306	000970	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	15.96	0.00	15.96
307	000970	Eddie Mason	Clerks Salary	173.47	0.00	173.47
308	000970	Eddie Mason	Clerks Salary	173.27	0.00	173.27
304	000970	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Mileage)	12.12	0.00	12.12
309	000971	D-Day Memorial Hall	Hire of Room	245.00	0.00	245.00
311	000972	HM Customs and Inland	clerks Tax	43.40	0.00	43.40
310	000972	HM Customs and Inland	clerks Tax	43.20	0.00	43.20
312	000973	Southern Electric	Street Lighting	21.95	2.86	19.09
313	000974	Mrs Lesley Attwell	Christmas Lights	64.65	0.00	64.65
314	000975	Mr Dillon (Litter Picker)	Litter Collection	232.00	0.00	232.00
315	000976	Parish Magazine	Grants	100.00	0.00	100.00
316	000977	St Nichols Church	Grants	700.00	0.00	700.00
317	000978	Home Start	Grants	100.00	0.00	100.00
318	000979	Citizens Advice Bureau	Grants	100.00	0.00	100.00
319	000980	Came & Co	Insurance	839.00	0.00	839.00
<b>Totals Paid</b>				<b>2904.02</b>	<b>2.86</b>	<b>2901.16</b>

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Date of the next meetings: 8<sup>th</sup> March 2010