

Southwick and Widley Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held in the Montgomery room, D-Day memorial hall, Southwick, Southwick on Monday 14th of April 2003 at 7.30 PM.

Present - Mrs E J Bazalgette- in the chair  
Mr. K Carter  
Mrs. J. Houghton  
Mrs J Luxmoore

Also present- Rev. H Griffiths- chaplain to Southwick/Boarhunt parishes

In attendance- Mr. J P Whitbourne- clerk to the parish council

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. and Mrs. Reeves and Mr. Hill.

Business arising from the minutes

Highway issues

A letter from the chief engineer-highways authority stated that: - "a works order has' been raised to rectify the surface of the B 2177 at the accident site".

A further letter from the chief engineer stated that the Norton road potholes are in the programme for his routine meeting, gang to repair, also the potholes in Widley Walk and crooked Walks lane. Arrangements are in hand to get the bushes cut back at the junction OC council road/Denmead road junction.

West street footway-space works order raised to undertake repair.

Mill lane – bridge parapet has been passed to the bridge office for their attention.

Castle road footway- nothing was seen that presented an danger on the footways by carriageway defects at the junction were noted and a works order raised four repair.

Members expressed particular concern regarding the state of crooked walks lane and HMS Dryad had also complained that their staff's vehicles were getting damaged. Mrs Bazalgette said that she had arranged to meet the highways engineer on the ninth of may to discuss highway issues in the parish and crooked walks lane would be one of the top priorities. It was also reported that heavy goods vehicles regularly used the lane on our day to day basis and of the road edges were breaking down. It was also used as 'rat run'.

Other issues that the chairman was asked to raise with the engineer were: - the water collecting at the bottom of Newbams Drive and the state of the Southwick hill road.

Ivy growing on the playing field trees

It was stated that Trevor Johns would be cutting the ivy at the-base of the trees affected, then removing the I for later when it had died back.

Proposed street light for the drove

A letter was received from Southwick estate and green to the proposal for a light in the drove all but asking if he could be located on the drove side of the old privies at the eastern end. It was agreed to put this proposal to the county lighting engineer. Subsequently a meeting had been arranged between Mr. Adcock and Mr. Langford and the road had then been seen by the chairman and clerk

and, subject to the column been had fallen off to cast sufficient light beyond the old privies, it was agreed to install the light on the spot marked out.

#### Newlands lane

It was noted that Newlands lane was closed for carriageway repairs. No prior notification had been given to the parish council.

Purbrook Heath road unofficial Lay-by- best course of action being considered.

#### Southwick branch surgery

It was reported that the need-Hampshire year primary Care Trust board meeting had been postponed June 15 of April ostensibly to allow for the question of transport to Wickham for Southwick patients to be examined. Councillor Ken Carter prepared another statement to be presented two board members prior to the meeting. It again emphasised the difficulties that many Southwick patients will have trying to get to the Wickham surgery for treatment. The case by Wickham group practice that numbers attending the Southwick surgery have fallen recently is refuted: in fact the numbers have risen during the two year period when closure was first muted. There was also the question of repeat prescriptions and how these will be dealt with.

Mr. Mark Oaten MP continues to support the fight to keep the surgery and several members of the parish council we'll be attending the meeting which is being held in the Winchester guildhall.  
Planning matters

The Elms- demolition of part of existing wall, replace with matching brick wall and alterations to entrance and new brick elevation to coach pounds.

The applications are permitted. The materials to be used shall match the existing.

Broomfield house, Purbrook Heath road. - Alterations to remove all two chimneys and the removal of internal walls.

The council offered 'no comment'.

#### Matters arising from the annual assembly

Talk on the citizens advice bureau at Bishops Waltham. Home visits can be under-taken if people are unable to get to Bishops Waltham. A parish Co-ordinator can be nominated to liaise with the highways authority. There are standard letters available that can be sent by the parish council to request landowners to clear their duties.

#### Rooks bridge culvert blocked.

£200 in the millennium fund still available to be used for an appropriate project.

Model code of conduct four parish Councillors-space members of the public a deeply concerned at the imposition of this code.

Carpet bowls A letter was received from Mr. Anthony Bayne's-Walker, chairman of the D-day hall committee, which stated that before asking the council to definitely consider providing bowls he wants to be convinced but there are enough people there would use this game and also by the equipment can be set up and put away without too much efforts and strength. Two members have been asked to raise a team to play at Wickham so that the committee can be sure that carpet bowls we'll be appropriate and appreciated. The outcome will be notified to the council.

Playing Field Litter

Thanks, were expressed to Mr. Houghton for clearing the litter in the playing field. It was hoped the grass would be cut again shortly.

Mayor's Sunday Service

The Mayor elect of Winchester has extended an invitation to the parish council to be represented at Winchester cathedral on the 18th of May at 10.00 AM for the mayor's Sunday Service and afterwards at a reception in the guildhall.

Orders for payment

Winchester City council (election costs) £698 clerk (salary/expenses march) £241 0.63 Mrs. Grant (petrol for mower) £11.69 Hampshire County council (lights repairs) £23.71

Date of next meeting- 12th of May 2003 at 7.30 PM

The meeting closed at 9.30 PM