

**SEAVINGTON ST MARY/MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 430th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SEAVINGTON MILLENNIUM HALL
On Monday 27th July 2015 at 7.00 pm**

2210.ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Mr N Loxton - Chair

Mr D Smith – Vice Chair

Mrs E Edwards

Mr N England

Mrs P Parsons

Mr C Reyland

Mr C Turner

Adam Dance – District Councillor

APOLOGIES

Christopher Le Hardy - County Councillor

Crispin Raikes – District Councillor

2211.PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No members of the public present

2212.REPORT FROM POLICE – None received

2213.REPORT FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S

Councillor Le Hardy has produced Report for July which will be sent to web-site and copy with Minutes of this meeting. District Councillor Dance advised that there was nothing to report from District Council, but that training sessions had continued for new Councillors. Information regarding both new District Councillors to be put on web-site and in Seavingtons' News. It was also reported that details of our new MP are not on the web-site. Councillor Parsons to get this done.

2214. MINUTES OF THE 429th ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22nd June 2015 were agreed as correct and signed

2215. UP-DATE ON LIFT WEST PLANNING – Councillor Loxton reported that he had spoken to Andrew Whitehouse who is now on a 6-month sabbatical away from the Company. It is understood that the site in Seavington is still on the market, so at present nothing further to report.

2216. REPORT REGARDING HIGHWAY/SPEEDING ISSUES – A comprehensive report has now been received from County Highways regarding speeding issues and the number of accidents along the C5021 [old A303]. After discussion it was agreed that a further meeting should be requested with both Highways and the Police to try and find a way forward. Promised extension of white lining at David's Lane will be raised again.

2217. REPORT RE RANGER SCHEME – Working very well. Now helping to keep footpaths under control – particularly those around Meade Farm. Councillors asked that the path at the back of St Mary's Close and in fact all pavements in the parishes should be included in works done by the Ranger. Fly tipping is still an issue but the ranger does check all areas and clear if he possibly can.

2218. REPORT ON VILLAGE FOOTPATHS – An e-mail had been received from Phil Gordon-Smith reporting that he had been unwell for some time and he apologised for the fact that the footpaths were not up to the usual standard. Councillor Loxton reported that he had met with the SSDC Ranger and PG-S and the Ranger would now be helping to keep some paths clear.

2219.UP-DATE ON VILLAGE CAR PARK/PARKING IN GENERAL IN VILLAGE

Councillor Loxton has spoken to Sara Kelly, officer with SSDC, for advice regarding the Car Park. Councillor Turner has produced a plan re suggested marking of parking spaces. After long discussion regarding various aspects of parking in the whole of the village it was agreed that the Parish Council

should seek more information from SSDC and also contact Police and Highways with regard to what can be done to resolve the problem of parking in the whole of the village.

2220.INFORMATION RE NEW TROUGHS SUGGESTED FOR VILLAGE

The troughs have now been sited at the village shop as it was agreed that the cost of £515 that County Highways needed for a licence was unacceptable. Parish Council still waiting for information as to how this cost is set and justified by County Highways.

2221.UP-DATE ON ENHANCEMENT OF LAND BEHIND ST MARY'S CLOSE

Working Party is about to submit an application to Wessex Water Board for grant monies. Works will not be carried out until the Autumn.

2222.UP-DATE ON BT ADOPT A KIOSK SCHEME

Councillor Smith reported that the Kiosk on the Village Car Park is 'up for adoption'. It was unanimously agreed that the Council should try and adopt this box. However, it was also agreed that we should clarify if the box could be moved after adoption. Removal from the Car Park could create additional parking.

2223.REPORT ON SPFA

Councillor Parsons reported that she did not stand for re-election at the recent AGM of the Association as is therefore no longer Chair. At present a new Chair has not been elected but this should happen at the next meeting due in September.

2224.REPORT FROM COMMUNITY SHOP

AGM of the Community Shop will take place on Tuesday 4th August in the Millennium Hall. Profits have increased, particularly in the Cafe since the employment of a Cook. Councillor England reported that a discussion regarding the repayment of Bonds had taken place at the last meeting of the Shop Committee. These Bonds were due for repayment shortly but profits so far have not made this possible. Parish Councillors agreed that should any monies be set aside for repayment then it must be on a pro-rate basis to all Bond Holders. Councillor England handed a copy of Committee Report and Accounts for PC records.

2225.ADOPTION OF SEAVINGTON NEWS ACCOUNTS

Councillor Parsons had received a copy of the Newsletter Constitution and forwarded it to all other Councillors. Accordingly the Newsletter Accounts were adopted as correct. Unanimously agreed.

2226.SUNDRY MATTERS OF REPORT –

Garage area at 8, 9 and 10 Marle Ground – An e-mail has been received from owners of Marle House regarding the state of the area of land adjacent to the garage area. Councillor Turner advised that he owned two of the garages and some of the vehicles. Councillor Turner to contact owners of Marle House.

2227. UP-DATE ON PROGRESS RE PARISH/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Still being worked on but hopeful that copy will soon be available for Parish Councillors.

2228. VILLAGE CELEBRATIONS OF SPFA [40YRS] SHOP [5 YRS]

Everything now in hand and both the Community Shop and SPFA are hopeful of a very successful week.

2229. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New entrance at 2 Southernaways – Councillor England reported that Packham Brothers are going to put in a Planning Application for a driveway over the recently altered access path. Councillors to be aware of this.

2230. ACCOUNTS

(a) **Balances** Current A/c - £3,345.06 credit Business Reserve - £22,290.78 credit

(b) **Payment requests** – J Gillard - £300.00 [June], SSDC Ranger - £1,377.00 [June/July]

Grant Thornton (Accounts) - £120.00 E Mulligan - £82.16 [Domain Names]

All payments agreed unanimously

History Web-site have given PC cheque for £278.82 being balance of monies from setting up of History Project.

(c) New Bank Signatories – To be dealt with in September

(d) Conclusion of Audit – Councillor Parsons reported that the Audit of PC Accounts for 2014/15 had been concluded and relevant paperwork received.

2231. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –Tuesday 22nd September 2015

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed

Date