

**SEAVINGTON ST MARY/MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 429th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SEAVINGTON MILLENNIUM HALL
On Monday 22nd June 2015 at 7.00 pm**

2188.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

Crispin Raikes – District Councillor

APOLOGIES

Christopher Le Hardy - County Councillor

Adam Dance – District Councillor

Councillor Loxton welcomed District Councillor Raikes to the meeting

2189.PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No members of the public present

- 2190. REPORT FROM POLICE** – No Police report received. Subsequently a report regarding sheds being broken into in the locality was received. However, no Councillors or Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator has received any information regarding any village incidents.

2191.REPORT FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S

CR - reported that Area North were meeting on 24th June. To date training for new Councillors had been taking place. Councillor Parsons to have names of new District Councillors put on village web-site.

CLeH - In the absence of Councillor Le Hardy it was reported that June Briefing notes received and put on web-site and attached to Minutes.

- 2192. MINUTES OF THE 428th ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19th May 2015 were agreed as correct and signed**

- 2193. UP-DATE ON LIFT WEST PLANNING** –. SSDC officers had been contacted and they had advised the best way forward was for a meeting initially with Mr Whitehouse. Accordingly Councillor Loxton reported that he was hopeful of meeting with Andrew Whitehouse in the not too distant future

- 2194. REPORT REGARDING HIGHWAY/SPEEDING ISSUES** – Councillors are still awaiting detailed report from the black boxes that were installed along the C5021 in April
Councillor Parsons advised that a water leak in School Lane has been reported to both Wessex Water and County Highways but to date nothing has been resolved. Councillor Loxton agreed to follow up.
Councillor Parsons reported that several road closures were to take place in the local areas in connection with the installation of fibre optic cables.

2195.REPORT RE RANGER SCHEME

Councillor Loxton to meet with Phil Gordon-Smith and Ranger to try and get the footpaths around Meade Farm cut. Councillor Loxton also to chase SSDC regarding the replacement of two poo bins (one at top of laying field and the other by the village shop). A request for replacement had been sent to SSDC in March of this year.

2196.REPORT ON VILLAGE FOOTPATHS

Phil Gordon-Smith, who normally maintains all the footpaths in the villages has been ill so he has apologised that they are not up to the usual standard. Would appreciate help from the Ranger at the present time.

2197.UP-DATE ON VILLAGE CAR PARK/PARKING IN GENERAL IN VILLAGE

It was agreed that parking is a problem in many areas in the village not just on 'The Village Car Park'. Councillors are unsure how this can be resolved and it was unanimously agreed that after some initial investigation an open Parish Meeting would be called to try and find a way forward. Councillor Parsons advised that the playing field could not be used as a general parking area as under the Constitution of the SPFA the field is for recreational purposes only. Incidents of anti-social behaviour with regards to parking on 'The Village Car Park' are still being reported.

2198.INFORMATION RE NEW TROUGHS SUGGESTED FOR VILLAGE

The troughs have now been sited in front of the Village Shop as it was felt that the £515 requested from County Highways could not be justified. Councillor Hardy still trying to ascertain why the cost is so high.

2199.UP-DATE ON ENHANCEMENT OF LAND BEHIND ST MARY'S CLOSE

Nothing further to report.

2200.UP-DATE ON BT ADOPT A KIOSK SCHEME

Councillor Smith reported that the Kiosk on The Village Car Park was up for adoption. Further investigations to be made.

2201.REPORT ON SPFA

Councillor Parsons reported that the tarmac path has now been laid and the Association are hopeful that hirers of the Hall will start to use the overflow car park and not park on the highway or verges. The path will formally be opened on Sunday 2nd August.

2202.REPORT FROM COMMUNITY SHOP

Councillor England attended last meeting of the Shop Committee. It was reported that there is still a need for volunteers, particularly in the summer months. However, consideration is being given to the employment of a part-time Manager. An award has been received. Consideration is also being given to the installation of air-conditioning but this will be dependent on obtaining grants and running costs.

2203.ADOPTION OF SEAVINGTON NEWS ACCOUNTS

Deferred until next Meeting. Councillor Parsons to obtain copy of Constitution.

2204.SUNDRY MATTERS OF REPORT

Emergency Contacts – still under consideration as personal details have to be given.

SALC Web-site – Councillors were given information as to how they can access this web-site.

2205. UP-DATE ON PROGRESS RE PARISH/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Nothing further to report at present.

2206. VILLAGE CELEBRATIONS OF SPFA [40YRS] SHOP [5 YRS]

Plans going well. Both Committees are hopeful that the event will be well supported.

2207. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillors were advised that the entrance had been formed at the rear of the property in order for works to be carried out. 1 Southernaways has been sold.

2208. ACCOUNTS

(a) **Balances** – Current Account - £4,159.97 credit Business Reserve - £22,289.80 credit
VAT repayment of £1,141.02 received

(b) **Payment requests** - £1,000 donation to Seavington Community Shop for cooker

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£330 – Jamie Gillard – grass cutting (May)

£150.96 – SSDC Ranger Scheme – (1 day May)

All payments agreed unanimously.

(c) **New Bank Signatories** – to be completed at next meeting

2209. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 27th July 2015

Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Signed

Date