

- (b) Tree Works – Leylandii –
Awaiting a report from Mervyn Brown.
- (c) Childrens Playground:
Members considered the works required by the last ROSPA report and Agreed that the Clerk should approach Greenslades as our “preferred contractor” for a price to undertake the works and to repair the damaged fencing.
- (d) Village Gardening:
Most of the bulbs have been planted. The gardener offered to conduct a regular litter “pick-up” if he could be provided with a “litter lifter”. Paul Gripton still had the one previously provided by Sedgemoor DC. It was Agreed to accept the offer and pay at the agreed hourly rate and Paul Gripton to pass over the “litter lifter”.
- (e) Bus Shelter Light:
As last meeting.
- (f) River-side Track:
Awaiting better weather.
- (g) Benches:
As last meeting.
- (h) Welcome feature:
The Clerk is processing the approvals needed, Sedgemoor DC require a fee of £167.50 (50% of full fee) see 96/09(b).
Quotation from Village and Urban Accepted by letter 13th January.

98/09 CORRESPONDENCE:

(A) Requiring Council Decision:

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| (i) | 7 th Jan | Sedgemoor Community Support | - | Projects and Forum, 26 th March. – Noted |
| (ii) | 14 th Jan | SALC | - | Items of Interest, Jan 2010. Workshop on Standing Orders – 16 th Feb. Fee £15.00
Approved for Clerk to attend. |
| (iii) | 15 th Jan | Sedgemoor DC | - | Future Funding of Local Services. – To be raised at Cluster meeting. |

(B) To be Noted

All other correspondence considered by the Chairman and Clerk and is circulating

- (C) Outgoing** – List with Clerk. The formal response to EDF, Hinkley C to be copied to Liz Sidebotham and Bob Birkenhead.

(D) Received after Preparation of Agenda

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| (i) | 19 th January | National Training Strategy (NTS) Survey – No action. |
| (ii) | 27 th January | Otterhampton Village Hall – Increase in rents. – Noted. |
| (iii) | 28 th January | NALC – Leadership Academies – No action. |
| (iv) | 29 th January | Sedgemoor DC – Community Benefit from Hinkley Point. – Noted. |
| (v) | 29 th January | EDF – Community Forum meeting 25 th February. – Mervyn Brown. |
| (vi) | 1 st February | Sedgemoor DC – Submission to Boundary Commission. – Noted. |
| (vii) | 2 nd February | Helen Jowett – Thanks from “Chat and Chill”. – Noted. |
| (viii) | 4 th February | Yeovil Library – Parish Magazine list. – John Marriott. |

99/09 PLANNING MATTERS

Application No.

- 39/09/00046 - Porch. Juvenis Cottage, Otterhampton. – GRANTED.
39/09/00047 - Single Storey Extension. 56 Estuary Park. – GRANTED.
47/10/00001 - Change of Use, to form, two dwellings. Washers Farm, Stockland
Bristol, part in Otterhampton. Chairman to discuss with Chair of
Stockland Bristol.
(In the absence of Mervyn Brown).

100/09 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

- (a) Hinkley Liaison: No report.
- (b) Village Hall: Liz Sidebotham reported on the Fire Regulations Survey which advised expenditure of up to £4000. Funds need to be raised in addition to increases in rents. She asked that the Parish Council consider their funding at the next meeting.
- (c) Stearr Ward: Helen Jowett had submitted her resignation in writing (see) Paul Gripton referred to the meeting on the Stearr Project on 23rd March in the Village Hall, where the likely two schemes will be identified from which the Preferred scheme will be selected. He reported that there had been some problems of communication within and from the Environment Agency.
- (d) OPRA: Barry Leathwood referred to latest news letter. The Fete will be this years big event, to be held on July 17th not August Bank Holiday.
- (e) SCHOOL: It was reported that some slight vandalism has been experienced.

101/09 MATTERS OF REPORT

- (i) Litter Problems/Dog Fouling
Awaiting confirmation from SDC re-emptying of the new dog bin.
- (ii) Parish Cluster Meeting.
The Clerk reported on the Quantock Cluster Workshop which he attended on January 21st. After some lengthy, slightly ineffectual matters the 3 key issues were identified for fast action:- Hinkley C, A39, Stearr Peninsular.
- (iii) SALC.
The next meeting is in March. The workshop on new Standing Orders on 16th February was again referred to by the Clerk.
- (iv) Risk Assessment and Audit Matters.
To be firmed up by the Clerk.
- (v) Clerks Contract of Employment.
To be finalised for consideration by the Chairman prior to formal Acceptance.
- (vi) Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.
See (iii) above.
- (vii) Freedom of Information Act.
Members considered the Clerks report (attached) and Accepted the Clerks proposals, he will contact neighbouring Councils for their scale of charges etc.

(viii) Resignation of Steart Ward Member.

This was accepted with regret, Helen Jowett will attend the March meeting. Mr. Dick Best, a possible new replacement has been invited. The Clerk to action the formalities.

102/09 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- (i) Parish Emergency Plan – March Meeting.
- (ii) Village Hall cost problems.
- (iii) Shoreline Management Review/Steart Peninsular Project.
- (iv) Hinkley C – “Save Cannington Action group” Proposals.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 4th March 2010 at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed (Chairman) Date