OTTERHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Otterhampton Village Hall on Thursday 1st September 2011

PRESENT: Mr. B Leathwood (Chairman) Mr. J. Marriott

Mr. M. Nicklin Mr. P. Gripton

Mr. J. Best

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. P.M. Shaw (Clerk)

40/11 APOLOGIES

Mr M Brown. Mrs E Sidebotham. Councillors Mr J Edney. Ms Julie Pay

41/11 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 7th July were APPROVED and signed by the Chairman.

42/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members declared personal interest in Agenda Item 4 (i)

Dick Best declared a personal interest in Agenda item 4 (ii)

43/11 MATTERS ARISING

(i) <u>Hinkley Point C Development</u>

Paul Gripton reported on the meeting with EDF on 25th August. This meeting outlined the hours of use that EDF required at Combwich Wharf and possible windows for sea deliveries. Otterhampton Parish Council stated its objections to EDF's maximised proposals. The suggestion that ships would have to use on-board generators was unacceptable.

The Chairman circulated a draft letter to David Eccles of EDF which includes a "Combwich Vision" of our proposals for a pro-active approach.

Members considered the following issues for further submission:-

Greater use of the new jetty at the Point.

Use of Dunball Wharf

AIL's acceptable, some may have to be night moves to avoid traffic congestion during the day.

Use of generators on the wharf at night to be avoided.

The number of uses of the Wharf per month to be agreed.

(ii) Steart Peninsular Project

Dick Best said that there was little report until the next meeting as there is to be a meeting with the Environment Agency and Bristol Port Company on 8th September at Stockland with an open public session on 15th September, also at Stockland.

(iii) Road Safety/Traffic Issues

Nothing to report

(iv) Parish Plan

Main issues include two community markets, a new committee for the Village Hall, Housing Needs Survey and the date of the next Parish Plan group meeting.

44/11 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Current Balances.	Current Account Pension Fund	£429.12 Business Call £344 £1101.22	
(b) Accounts for			
Payment	Greenslades Otterhampton	£273.33	Grass Cutting. June.
	Village Hall. Otterhampton	£ 36.00	Rent for Chat & Chill
	Village Hall	£ 9.00	EDF Meeting
	Playsafety	£ 79.20	ROSPA Report
	Moore Stephens	£162.00	Annual Audit.
	Greenslades	£227.23	Grass Cutting. July.
	Open Spaces Society	£ 40.00	Annual Subscription
	W. Cobbledick	£ 30.00	Work to tree (by Bus Shelter).
	Purnells	£ 88.87	Type/Print. May/June.
	K. Preston	£233.55	Gardening.
	Sedgemoor D.C.	£933.92	Election Costs
	-	£2113.10	

The above accounts were APPROVED for payment

(c) (c) Annual Accounts Second instalment of Precept £4000.00 due.

Annual Audits Approved

Account Books available for inspection.

45/11 MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS/ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING

(i) Children's Playground - Repairs

The Clerk tabled the ROSPA report which was almost completely positive with only minor works required which can be dealt with by a working party. Any additional work will hopefully be funded by the RLT2 monies already allocated to Otterhampton Parish Council. The Clerk handed the inspection rota and forms for the remainder of the season.

(ii) Village Gardening/Tree Work

The Clerk tabled the quotation from W.P. Cobbledick, our preferred contractor:-

Fell and remove diseased Elms - £150

Reduce overhanging willows, Wharf Road - £40

Thin out ash trees (opposite Anchor Inn) - £20

Planting at Wharf Road (site of Lleylandiis) to include 30 small trees

as detailed - £240

All the above fixed price with no VAT

Members ACCEPTED the above in the total sum of £450

(iii) Graffiti

The Chairman reported that Andy Parsons, a parishioner had cleared quite a lot. A letter of thanks to be sent. This still leaves the Bus Shelter in a bad state.

(iv) Newsletter

John Marriott tabled his final draft for comment. Once approved it can be ready for circulation next week. The Meeting Approved the draft with thanks to John.

- (v) Members Training SALC
 Both Members who had attended reported on a most informative session run by the County Secretary who impressed with his knowledge and presentation skills.
- (vi) Housing Needs Survey
 The package to be distributed after the Newsletter
- (vii) Gardening Volunteers

The group have stopped work following a disagreement at a site meeting. The Chairman has met representatives hoping to get an article agreed for the Newsletter but this was not agreed by the group. A further meeting has been arranged. In order to progress matters it was AGREED to employ the services of an Ecologist who had previously advised. A limit of £100 fee was APPROVED.

46/11 CORRESPONDENCE

A. Requiring Council Decision.

(i)	21st July	Sedgemoor D.C.	-	Local Funding of Services 2012-13 -Noted
(ii) (iii)	31 st July August	Angela Griffiths Avon and Somerset	-	Pre Olympic Event – Agreed in principal
, ,	-	Constabulary	-	EDF/Hinkley Implications. – <i>Invite police to November Meeting</i>
(iv)	August	Sedgemoor D.C.	-	Planning Training – <i>Mat and Dick</i>
(v)	1 st August	Segemoor C.A.B.	-	Guide to Services - Noted
(vi)	2 nd August	SALC	-	Boundary/Electional review. Somerset - <i>Noted</i>
(vii)	2 nd August	Greenslades	-	Quotation. Damaged wall – Wharf Road £788.00 excluding VAT – <i>Decided not to proceed</i>
(viii)	5 th August	Helen Jowett	-	Resignation from "Chat and Chill" - Letter to be sent
(ix)	5 th August	W.P. Cobbledick	-	Quotation. Tree Work ACCEPTED
(x)	9 th August	Community Council	-	Grant Funding – <i>Membership only</i>
(xi)	10 th August	Somerset C.C.	-	Queen's Diamond Jubilee - <i>Noted</i>
(xii)	12 th August	Sedgemoor C.A.B.	-	Grant Request - £40 Agreed

B. To Be Noted: All other correspondence considered by the Chairman and Clerk.

C. Received after Preparation of Agenda

(i)	21 st August	-	Reg Wilkes	-	Chat & Chill – Clerk to reply
(ii)	22 nd August	-	Somerset Waste Partnership	-	Newsletter
(iii)	22 nd August	-	Community Council	-	AGM
(iv)	24 th August	-	Paul Gripton	-	Meeting with EDF
(v)	24 th August	-	Sedgemoor District Council	-	Procedure for site meetings re Planning Applications
(vi)	25 th August	-	Sedgemoor District Council	-	Volunteers for Standards Committee
(vii)	August	-	Avon and Somerset Police		
			Authority	-	Newsletter
(viii)	August	-	SALC	-	Notice of AGM and notes re
					Electoral review of Somerset

D. Outgoing – List available

47/11 PLANNING MATTERS

Application No

39/11/00001 Erection of Ground Mounted P.V. Solar Panel – "Wychwood"

Stockland. – Members had no objection, to be passed to Mervyn

Brown for comment.

48/11 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

- (a) Hinkley Liaison E-mail report on file
- (b) Village Hall Next committee meeting Wed 31st August. It was suggested that a joint meeting be held re renovations.
- (c) Steart Ward See 43/11
- (d) OPRA Nothing to report
- (e) School Nothing to report

49/11 MATTERS OF REPORT

- (i) Parish Cluster Group The Chairman reported on last meeting which mainly debated issues of Hinkley Point C/EDF and A39.
- (ii) SALC Next meeting AGM. Saturday 24th September

50/11 ITEMS FOR MEXT MEETING

- (i) Grit/Salt Store for Winter road treatment Clerk to Action.
- (ii) Liaison with Cannington Parish Council
- (iii) Vandalism *Invite PCSO*

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6 th	October 2011	at 7.30pm
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SignedChairman	Date