OTTERHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Otterhampton Village Hall on Thursday 3rd November 2011

| Mr. B Leathwood (Chairman) | Mr. J. Marriott | Mr Mat Nicklin |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Mrs E. Sidebotham | Mr. P. Gripton | |
| Mr. J. Best | Mr. M. Brown | |
| | | Mrs E. Sidebotham Mr. P. Gripton |

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor John Edney Mr P. M. Shaw (Clerk)

63/11 <u>APOLOGIES</u> Councillors Ms Julie Pay, Mike Caswell

- 64/11 <u>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the last meeting held on 6th October were APPROVED and signed by the Chairman. Thanks passed to Mervyn Brown.
- 65/11 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> All members declared personal interests in Agenda Item 4(i) Dick Best declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 4(ii)

66/11 MATTERS ARISING

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

It was noted that EDF had submitted their application to the IPC. Representatives of the police had attended the Open Session and spoken on their role as liaison officers on matters relating to the Hinkley Point C Development. (The Clerk had taken notes).

(ii) <u>Steart Peninsular Project</u>

The open meeting held by the Environment Agency at the Village Hall on October 24th was well attended. Representatives of the Bristol Port Company had attended the Open Session prior to this meeting to update the Council and attendees on the state of their scheme. (The Clerk had taken notes).

- (iii) <u>Road Safety/Traffic Issues</u> Nothing to report
- (iv) <u>Parish Plan</u> Nothing to report

67/11 FINANCIAL MATTERS

| (a) Current Balances. | Current Account £ 618.28 Pension Fund £1101.22 | Bus | iness Call £2235.23 |
|-----------------------|---|---------|-------------------------|
| (b) Accounts for | | | |
| Payment | Otterhampton Village Hall | £27.00 | Rent, Chat & Chill |
| | Greenslades | £139.82 | Grass Cutting September |
| | HM Revenue | £245.60 | PAYE |
| | | | |
| | The above accounts were APPROVED for payment | | |

 (c) Annual Accounts
 Second instalment of Precept £4000.00 due. (less £836.16 for dog bins). Received. Account Books available for inspection VAT reclaim submitted – Approx. £1200 A draft budget will be presented to the next meeting to enable the Precept to be set. Members asked to notify the Clerk of any financial items that they wish to be included.

68/11 WARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Councillor Edney referred to the EDF application and stated that the IPC could not make conditions only recommendations to the Minister.

69/11 MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS/ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING

- (i) Children's Playground Repairs
 It was reported that a section of the perimeter fence had been cut and removed, without a gate dogs could enter. It was Agreed to obtain a price for a gate.
 The Chairman and Clerk to apply for the RLT2 monies.
- (ii) Village Gardening/Tree Work Awaiting a date for work to commence.
- (iii) Newsletter Next issue planned for mid-December.
- (iv) Members Training SALC
 It was reported that the meeting was complicated with many changes to planning law.
- (v) Housing Needs Survey Completed. Results awaited.

Requiring Council Decision.

(vi) Gardening Volunteers Back "on course", with offers of help with repair to Children's Playground

70/11 CORRESPONDENCE

A.

| В. | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| (i) Oct (undated | d) M Layton and others | - | Toilets for Bridgwater Angling Club Clerk |
| (ii) 4th Oct | Sedgemoor District Council | - | Members interest forms Clerk |
| (iii) 5th Oct | Sedgemoor District Council | - | Budget Briefing, meeting 8 th December. – Date of |
| (iv) 5 th Oct | Somerset County Council/ | | our next meeting to be considered. |
| a | Somerset District Council | - | EDF application to IPC - Noted |
| $(v) 6^{th} Oct$ | Environment Agency | - | Hinkley Point C environmental permit. – Paul |
| a | | | Gripton |
| (vi) 7 th Oct | Somerset County Council | - | Somerset Electoral Review, submissions. – No |
| 41 | | | action |
| (vii) 12 th Oct | Environment Agency | - | Hinkley Point C environmental permit, date for |
| the second s | | | Comments – Paul Gripton |
| (viii) 13 th Oct | Somerset County Council | - | De-icing material – Collection date. – Collected |
| a sath a | | | Provision of 2 storage bins to be considered. |
| (ix) 13^{th} Oct | Sedgemoor District Council | - | Hinkley Point C Development Consent Order. – |
| () toth o | a | | Noted |
| (x) 19^{th} Oct | SALC | - | Queen's Diamond Jubilee - Noted |
| (xi) 21 st Oct | Clive Neale | - | Old Wharf Road maintenance/car parking - Clerk |

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

C. Received after Preparation of Agenda.

- (i) 26th Oct Sedgemoor District Council Core Strategy Paul Gripton
- **D.** Outgoing. List Available.

71/11 PLANNING MATTERS

Application No

| PC/3/32/11/038 | Variation of time limit. – No comment |
|----------------|--|
| 39/11/00002 | Infilling 7 ponds, creation of 2 new ponds - Land at Steart. |
| 39/11/00003 | Closure of 13.4km of ditches – Land at Steart |
| 39/11/00004 | Certificate of lawfulness - use of cottage as separate dwelling |
| | Cox's Cottage, Steart |
| | These last three passed to Ward Member Dick Best for return to |
| | Mervyn Brown. |
| 39/11/00005 | Enclosure of porch to form living accommodation and formation of |
| | canopy to front entrance - 60 Estuary Park Passed to Liz |
| | Sidebotham for return to Mervyn Brown. |

72/11 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

| (a) Hinkley Liaison – | - Mervyn Brown spoke to his written report. The issue of repairs to the |
|-----------------------|---|
| | Wharf Road to be pursued in writing. |
| (b) Village Hall – | Liz Sidebotham reported that professional guidance is being sought. |
| | A quiz is being organised. |
| (c) Steart Ward – | Dick Best reported on complaints of very poor broadband reception. |
| | Agreed to write to BT. |
| (d) OPRA – | Fireworks on Sunday. Pensioners Christmas Dinner being arranged. |
| (e) School – | No report. It was suggested that ex-member Mr Bob Birkenhead be |
| | asked, as a Governor, to submit written reports. |
| | |

73/11 MATTERS OF REPORT

- Parish Cluster Group Special working party being set up to consider both Hinkley Point C and the Steart Peninsular Project and the Chairman was asking for volunteers. Paul Gripton volunteered.
- (ii) SALC Next meeting, 1^{st} December...

74/11 ITEMS FOR MEXT MEETING

(i) Budget/Precept

The Clerk asked for copies of the notes from this and all other informal meetings to keep Parish Records.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 8th December 2011 at 7.30pm

Signed..... Chairman

Date.....