

Minutes of the Meeting of West Lavington Parish Council held on Thursday 8th April 2010 at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, West Lavington.

Present: Councillors: Mr M Wadman (Chairman); Mr M Page; Mrs J Ford; Mr T Jones; Mrs E Evans;

Also present: County Councillor R Gamble; Mrs J Collins; Mr Haste (Clerk).

Apologies: Councillors: Mrs P Watts; Mr K Dyer; Mrs M Diccox; Miss B Green;

9/10/169 Declarations of Interest

There were none at this stage

9/10/170 Police Report

In the absence of any police representative Mrs Collins spoke to this item. She reported that PC Rutter had been moved and that her replacement was not yet known. Members expressed their appreciation for the officer's work and regret at her departure.

9/10/171 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with one amendment. They were then signed by the Chairman.

9/10/172 Matters arising

The Clerk reported that he was in communication with Mrs C Hackett, Clerk to Market Lavington PC concerning the Youth Club.

9/10/173 Co-option of Member

Mr Page proposed that Mrs Julie Collins of 18 Lavington Lane, West Lavington be co-opted to the Council to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Miss Hinton. This proposal was seconded by Mrs Evans. There were no other nominations and Mrs Collins was accordingly declared a member of the Parish Council. The Clerk will arrange for the necessary documentation to be completed and Wiltshire Council to be notified.

9/10/174 Children's Playground Maintenance Report

Mrs Evans reported that there were no current problems.

9/10/175 Equipment for Older Children.

The Chairman reported that he had heard nothing recently. Consultation was taking place within the community.

9/10/176 Footpaths Committee Report

Mrs Ford said that there were still problems on FP 15 with both horses and motorcycles tearing up the surface of the footway. The Clerk was instructed to write to the owner of Mill Farm on this subject. Mrs Ford will speak to the Footpaths warden.

9/10/177 County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Richard Gamble reported on the recent meeting of the Area Board and expressed his hopes for the next meeting. He emphasised the importance of submitting applications for grants as soon as possible in the new financial year.

Councillor Gamble also spoke on the subject of local housing. The Chairman instructed that this matter should appear on the agenda of the next meeting of the Council.

9/10/178 Reports from Representatives

- (a) Devizes Area Forum – Councillor Richard Gamble had dealt with this item under minute 177 above..
- (b) Primary School – Mrs Evans reported that a new website had been set up. A new reception teacher had been appointed and the school was advertising for a new caretaker.
- (c) Dauntseys School – The Chairman read from Major Matters' report, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes.
- (d) Village Hall – Mrs Ford reported that the AGM would be held shortly.
- (e) Youth Club – In the absence of Mrs Watts there was nothing to report on this occasion.
- (f) Neighbourhood Watch – Mrs Collins had already covered this subject in the "police report".
- (g) Emergency Planning – Mr Jones said that he hoped to attend the Flood Fair being held in Chippenham on 14th April.

9/10/179 Planning Matters

The following decisions were noted:

- (a) E/10/0125/FUL – permission for 2 storage sheds at Dauntseys School.
- (b) E/10/0196/TCA – permission for tree work at 5, Duck Street.

The following new applications were considered:

- (a) E/10/0323/LBC – an application to extend the existing Pavilion at Dauntseys School. There were no objections.

The following appeal result was also noted:

- (a) E/09/1405/FUL – an appeal against refusal for the erection of a dormer window at Pagnell Cottage in Pagnell Lane had been refused.

9/10/180 Accounts for Payment

The following were approved for payment:

- (a) Clerk's expenses (as approved) - £78.19p
(b) F Coles (itemised invoice) - £514.99p

9/10/181 Date of the Annual Meeting

This was set for Thursday 6th May 2010.

9/10/182 Correspondence

Items not discussed at the meeting were circulated to members via the envelopes, with the exception of the following:

- (a) A letter from Wiltshire Council notifying a period of consultation on the subject of Traveller issues. The Clerk will respond.
(b) A letter from Market Lavington PC on the subject of the dangers facing parents and children walking to the Primary School along Lavington Lane in the morning. The Clerk was instructed to reply and express support for the proposed courses of action.
(c) An e-mail concerning the future of Village Design Statement. The Clerk was following up this matter.

9/10/183 Future of the Village Post office

The Chairman had nothing further to report on this occasion

9/10/184 Twinning Proposal

Mr Page reported that he and a delegation of about 12 residents would be leaving for France on 8th May to complete the ceremonial signing of the agreement with St Pierre.

9/10/185 Annual Parish Meeting 2010

The Chairman reminded members that this would now take place on Friday 14th May 2010 in the Giles Meeting Room at the Village Hall.. Items for discussion will include the "Village Plan" and the Twinning with St Pierre.

9/10/186 The War Memorial

The Clerk reported that he was following up a number of suggestions concerning the availability of grants. Most sources seemed to require local funding. The Chairman agreed to speak to Mr Giles to identify what work needed to be done. Mrs Ford mentioned the problem posed by the yew tree overhanging the memorial.

9/10/187 Items of Maintenance

(a) The Chairman asked for suggestions for jobs for the Parish Steward.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35 pm

Signed..... Date.....2010

*Carter's Rise
Pagnell Lane
Littleton Panell
Devizes
Wilts SN10 4EW
Telephone 01380 816133
Email: rpmatters@hotmail.com*

Mr Mark Wadman
Chairman
West Lavington Parish Council

30th March 2010

**DAUNTSEYS SCHOOL REPORT TO WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
APRIL 2010**

Please find below a precis of the major current and future issues concerning the estate at Dauntseys School:

1. Girls Day House. Work continues on this and the refurbishment of the cricket pavilion. You may notice that the pavilion is a lighter colour, as creosote is no longer allowed.
2. Playing Field. Leveling of the new playing field is almost complete, and a substantial number of saplings will be planted in that area shortly. In addition permanent run-ups for long jump and high jump pits will soon be installed.
3. Ornamental Gates. A meeting will soon take place to confirm the design of these gates. I will inform you of developments as they occur
4. Storage Facilities. Planning permission for 2 single-storey, 6 metre by 3 metre storage containers on a piece of waste land behind the Art Department (Former DAPS building) has been granted.
5. 30 MPH Limit. Is there any progress in the change to the Cheverell Road speed limit change?

Richard Matters