



Brean Parish Council

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Minutes

Minutes of the Brean Parish Council held on Monday 7th January 2008 in the Brean Village Hall at 7pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs Jackman Chairman
Councillor J Harris Vice Chairman
Councillors H Guy, D Petrie, D Scott, T Hicks,
Electors of Brean totalling 8 persons

In attendance B Hunt, Clerk of the Council
By Invitation Cllr T Grimes (SDC)

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from the following:--
Cllr Martin Chatterton (holiday)

ELECTORS OF BREAN ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

The following issues were raised by the electors of Brean :-

Mr Bob Munn advised concern regarding the lack of vision when approaching the roundabout at the edge of Brean

Clerk to contact Highways/Police

ACTION 010108

Mrs Sue Phillips raised an objection to the planning application on Northam Farm due to height of the roof.

The plans were reviewed by the Council and it was advised that due to the timing of the application approval had already been sent.

Ms Rowena Findlay advised of the presence of a trial bike on the beach the previous Sunday and that there was no warden present.

The bike had been brought on in a white Transit Van Reg. V967 HHR

And the users were “abusive” to requests to leave.

Number to be reported to police.

Ms Findlay also advised that the “concrete” posts on the beach were dangerous and not “environmently friendly”

Mr Dave Barrett (Snr) questioned why the beach was open when there was no warden present.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on Monday December 3rd 2007 were approved without amendment by the members and signed by the Chairman

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The following issues arose from the last meeting :-

BEACH SPORTS MEETING

The Chairman gave a précis of the public meeting held in December and attended by 70 residents.

It was agreed that we no longer allow jet skis to launch from Brean beach and we obtain legal advice to ensure that we can take this action on an "open public beach.

Clerk to liaise with SDC and North Somerset Council.

ACTION 020108

Regarding "Kite Buggies" it was agreed to hold a meeting with the kite buggy and land yacht clubs to discuss how they could operate together and also request the kite buggy club to undertake a "demonstration" on the beach.

Cllr Mrs Guy expressed her opposition to this being allowed on Brean beach and advised she did not wish to take part in further discussions at separate meetings.

It was agreed that we needed to liaise with the COVE regarding entry to the beach for these activities.

PLANNING

The following applications were reviewed by members and following responses sent:-

06/07/00015 Northam Farm – approval sent

06/07/00016 Chairman to write response based on discussions

MATTERS DEALT WITH BY SEDGEMOOR DISTRICT COUNCIL

The following applications were reviewed by SDC

06/07/00013 Tangle Wood - denied

BEACH MANAGEMENT 2008

There was discussion on the potential withdrawal of the annual beach grant of £18000 donated by Sedgemoor District Council and the implication on the future cleaning, wardening and safety of the beach.

It was agreed to follow up all sources of funding and to write to our MP regarding the withdrawal of this grant.

OTHER CURRENT MATTERS

The following current matters were reviewed by the meeting :-

Report from POLICE – a report from Sgt Ian Kennett was read to the meeting.

Report from SALC – Cllr Mrs Guy gave a brief report on the recent meeting, details on circulation.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was reviewed for action/filing or circulation

NEWSLETTERS – CIRC

SDC Legal – Registration of Gifts & hospitality

SDC Environmental Health – Clean Sweep Programme

SDC Chairman – Reception for Clerks & Chairman 21st Feb 2008

Marine & Fisheries – Dredging of Culver Sands Consultation Response

SDC Planning – Delegation Arrangements Planning Enforcement

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Members raised the following issues for attention

Cllr D Scott raised the following issues:-

The right of way to the beach near Northam Farm will be cleared in the near future.

Cllr T Hicks raised the following issues

The tree in Harvey Allen's garden was still obscuring the road sign, councillors were requested to look at this with a view to contacting Highways.

There was a separate FINANCE MEETING to discuss the issues regarding beach funding.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th February 2008 at 7pm in the village hall.

ACTION LIST

The list of outstanding actions is attached to the current copy of the minutes

