



Brean Parish Council

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APPROVED Minutes

Minutes of the Brean Parish Council held on Monday 1st March 2010 in the Brean Village Hall at 7pm.

PRESENT

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

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

APOLOGIES ADVISED TO THE CLERK

Apologies were received from the following:--
Cllr Hicks

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members declared the following potential interest in agenda items to be discussed:-
All Councillors declared a potential interest in “Beach Management”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 1st February 2010 were approved without amendment by the members and signed by the Chairman.

These are now in the “public domain” and are available from the Clerk at breanparish@aol.com or on the website www.brean.org

DISCUSSION ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The following issues arose from previous minutes :-

BEACH BYE LAWS

No update had been received from SDC

ELECTORS OF BREAN ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Electors of Brean raised the following issues for Council attention:-

Ron Frewin advised that the Land Yacht Regatta was on the 13th/14th March.

Don Holland asked whether we would be allowing consultation when we received details of the procedures for the new bye laws.

The Chairman advised that we would adhere to the procedures defined in the documentation.

Rowena Corcos requested that the Parish Council supports any review of the license for KRACKERS bar and commented that clients leaving the bar had committed vandalism in the village.

The Chairman advised that he had been involved in discussion with the police on the initial review, the date for which had now passed. He also advised that Ms Corcos `should be careful in making unsubstantiated accusations regarding vandalism.

The Clerk would contact SDC in respect of the current “application to vary”

ACTION 010310

Rita queried whether the Parish Council would be making a donation towards St Bridgets church as requested in the recent letter.

The Chairman advised that the letter would be circulated to councillors for decision at a future meeting.

Richard Smith advised that due to his concern re “transparency” of communication between SDC and the Council, he had requested a copy of the letters exchanged relating to bye laws. He queried two questions (of the 8 asked) in the letter dated 20th October and stated that this had not been discussed at any Parish Council meeting.

The Clerk advised that as the Parish Council was concerned regarding the “opinion” expressed by SDC, it had asked for clarification on other clauses contained in the bye laws.

The Chairman commented that Mr Smith was quoting two lines, out of context, from a two page letter. He undertook to review all correspondence and respond at the next meeting.

CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETAILED BELOW

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

06/10/00018 BREAN LEISURE PARK SWIMMING POOL – approval sent

MATTERS DEALT WITH BY SEDGEMOOR DISTRICT COUNCIL

The following planning applications were advised by SDC

NONE

REPORT ON BEACH MANAGEMENT 2010

DISPENSATION ON BEACH DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

The following Members who have declared an interest decided to exercise their dispensation on discussion on beach matters:-

All Councillors present

Cllr Harris presented the following report :-

The Risk Assessment had been placed on the website.

- There had been an increase in “medical waste” with 52 boxes recovered. It was reported that 500 boxes had been recovered in the area of Maddocks Slade. Cllr Mrs Guy to attempt to use her contacts to try and establish the sources.

- There had been TWO incidents and Jon advised a new procedure agreed with PC Esther Robinson where reported numbers would be passed to the local force in the area of registration and the owners visited and cautioned.

- There would be a beach clean on 19th March prior to the Easter holiday.

- The 2 sheds at the beach entrance had been painted (courtesy of Cllr Harris and it was agreed to contact SDC to establish if they would paint the toilet block.

ACTION 020310

- There had been no response to the advert for concessions and therefore in accordance with our policy the concessions would be first offered to the existing concessions, some of whom had three year agreements until 2012.
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- OTHER CURRENT MATTERS AS DETAILED BELOW

The following current matters were presented to the meeting :-

Report from POLICE –

- Esther reported on the situation at KRACKERS Bar, stating that there was “plenty of evidence” to support a review.
 - work done by Tracey to check CRIS records on caravans had revealed that there were 11 caravans that came back as stolen. Research was ongoing on this issue.
 - As stated above by Cllr Harris a new policy had been agreed to deal with “boy racers” on the beach, with the beach warden completing formal statements to enable possible prosecution of offenders.
 - Sgt Ian Kennett confirmed the appointment of Esther as Beat Manager. The Chairman thanked Esther and Tracey for their excellent work and looked forward to a continuing relationship.

Report from SALC - The Clerk will attend the next meeting on behalf of Cllr Mrs Guy.

APPROVAL OF FINANCE ISSUES DETAILED BELOW

The following cheque payments were approved by the meeting and signed by three of the authorised signatories.

As per circulated list

RESPONSE TO CORRESPONDENCE DETAILED BELOW

The following correspondence was reviewed for action/filing or circulation

- Mr Don Holland – request for financial information on years 2003 to date – provided by the Clerk.
- Natural England – Designation of SACs – CIRC
- Zurich Insurance – Full insurance policy- FILED
- H M Revenue & Customs – Confirmation of PAYE Internet Registration.-FILED
- SCC Highways – Closure of WICK LANE (6 wks from 8th March) – CIRC
- SCC – Receipt of Communities Initiatives Grant from Alan Ham (SCC) – Thank you letter sent

RESPONSE TO FOLLOWING CIRCULATED CORRESPONDENCE

At the request of Mrs Shirley Smith and Mr Richard Smith regarding 2 Freedom of Information requests, an "INTERNAL REVIEW" was held on Monday 1st February 2010.

At this Review the Council voted unanimously to support the decision by the Chairman to withhold (under section 42) the information requested by Mrs Smith.

As the information requested by Mr Smith had now been received from SWATK it was agreed to provide him with the requested information.

This meeting records that Mr & Mrs Smith were informed of the outcome of the Review within the required timescales and where appropriate the information provided.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

The Members raised the following issues for attention

Cllr D Scott raised the following issues:-

Requested that we write to SDC Clean Surroundings to thank the team who had provided our refuse collection for many years as the team was about to change.

ACTION 030310

Cllr Harris raised the following issues:-

Advised that the National Trust wished to install posts on the beach north of the Cove entrance to restrict cars from parking near Brean Down.

The Council agreed to support this decision and to write to NT to request that they advise Martin Volwes, Coastguard, SDC and Crown Estates to confirm this proposed action.

ACTION 040310

Cllr Chatterton raised the following issues

Placed an article on alternative sources of energy procurement(new technology) from the Severn estuary on circulation.

PROPOSED DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on TUESDAY 6th April 2010 at 7pm in the village hall.

NOTE TUESDAY MEETING

ACTION LIST

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

AGENDA ITEM 8 MEETING DATED
1ST MARCH CHEQUES FOR APPROVAL

Chq No	Payee	Description	Amount
727	Paul Hellend	Risk Assessment	£ 200.00
728	SDC	Planning Police Caravan	£ 167.50
729	WARDEN	February Salary	TBA
730	WARDEN	Tax Refund	TBA
731	Plimleys	Vehicle Fuel	£ 65.00
732	Triangle	Vehicle Lease	£321.26
733	Clerk	February Salary	TBA
734	Blue Sky	Vehicle Repair	£1260.00
735	B Hunt	Tender Advert	£ 109.27
736	SDC	Speed Indicators	£ 100.00