

# Bridgerule Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 at 8.00 p.m. in Bridgerule Village Hall

**Present:**

Chairman: Cllr. C. Seymour-Smith

Councillors: Cllrs. J. Giles, J. Medland, K. Chilton, A. Linney and J. McDougall

In Attendance: Parish Clerk

**349. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllrs. Stoneman, James, Abbott and Davey had sent apologies

**350. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

**351. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME**

No members of the public were present.

**352. POLICE REPORT**

PCSO Harvey had sent her apologies and indicated that she hoped to attend the next Meeting of the full Council when she will introduce PC Moakes, the new Neighbourhood Beat Manager.

**353. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 had previously been circulated. Cllr. Seymour-Smith proposed the Minutes be approved. Cllr. Chilton seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 6 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

**354. MATTERS ARISING**

Item 342 – The Clerk reported that confirmation had been received that Littlebridge Meadow has been adopted. She also confirmed that SW Water has adopted the foul and water sewage, if any resident now has problems regarding sewage they should ring 0800 169 1144. Now confirmation that the road has been adopted, it is hoped that a new name sign (indicating Littlebridge Meadow and not Littlebridge Meadows) and including 'cul-de-sac' will be erected by DCC Highways. The Clerk to contact DCC regarding this.

Item 347 – Cllr. Abbott was not in attendance and it was therefore agreed that the possible purchase of sand to help maintain the playing field should be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the full Council.

**355. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF BRIDGERULE PARISH COUNCIL GIVING FINANCIAL HELP TO THE FOOTBALL CLUB WITH REGARD TO THE SECOND-HAND MOWER IT HAS PURCHASED.**

Cllr. Giles declared a prejudicial interest. After discussion, Cllr. McDougall proposed that Bridgerule Parish Council donate £300 to Bridgerule Football Club towards the second-hand mower it has purchased. Cllr. Chilton seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 5 For. 0 Against. 1 Abstention).

After further discussion, Cllr. Seymour-Smith proposed that when forwarding the cheque for £300, the Parish Clerk ask the Football Club for an undertaking that any cuts of the playing field over and above those the Council has already agreed to (12 cuts in the year 2010/2011), will be undertaken by the Football Club itself. Cllr. Chilton seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 5 For. 0 Against. 1 Abstention).

**356. ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT**

The following accounts were presented for payment:

**BRIDGERULE PARISH COUNCIL - INVOICES PAID IN JUNE 2010**

Date	Pay To	Voucher	Gross	Net	VAT	Reason
16.06.10	M. Fenner	422	£541.20	£541.20		Salary April - June inc.
17.06.10	Bridgerule Football Club	423	£300.00	£300.00		Donation towards Mower purchased
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£841.20</b>	<b>£841.20</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	

**Council Receipts**

**Bank Accounts**

<u>Current Account</u>			<u>Reserve Account</u>	
Balance at 19th May 2010	3,568.12		£4,932.92	of which £832.98 is Parish Plan grant
<u>Payments</u>			0.5	Interest March 10
419		£74.03		
420		£380.19		
-	422	£541.20		
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-		<b>£995.42</b>		
Balance at 18th June 2010		<b>£2,572.70</b>	<b>£4,933.42</b>	At 19th May of which £832.98 PP

Cllr. Seymour-Smith proposed that the accounts presented should be paid. This was seconded by Cllr. Giles and unanimously agreed. (Vote 6 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

**357. PLANNING**

The following application and permission had been received:

**Applications**

1/0349/2010/FUL Increase caravan site from 20 touring pitches and one static caravan to 40 touring pitches and 4 static caravans for holiday use only  
Highfield House  
Bridgerule

**Permissions**

1/0316/2010/FUL Extension to dwelling  
6 Littlebridge Meadow  
Bridgerule

1/0306/2010/FUL Extensions to dwelling  
Canna Park  
Bridgerule

The application was discussed and Cllr. Seymour-Smith proposed that Bridgerule Parish Council recommend approval. Cllr. Medland seconded the proposal which was unanimously agreed. (Vote 6 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

**358. HIGHWAYS**

It had been confirmed that resurfacing of the road from the village up to Newacott Cross would not be undertaken by DCC Highways in this financial year.

**359. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Correspondence Received from 19<sup>th</sup> May to 16<sup>th</sup> June**

1. Update Register of Electors
2. Holsworthy Area Advisory Mtg – Agenda 7<sup>th</sup> June
3. TDC – Volleyball Courts – Expression of Interest
4. Mr. Keen – traffic problems Littlebridge Meadow
5. Mr. Keen – traffic problems (2)
6. Mr. Keen – traffic problems (3)
7. I. Sorenson DCC – adoption of Littlebridge Meadow
8. Cllr. SS – Newacott Cross – resurfacing
9. P. Tucker – printing costs re. Newsletter
10. Village Green – June issue
11. Ruby Read – newsletter
12. Rural Services – newsletter
13. DCC – Street Lighting Part-night lighting policy
14. Register of Electors – update
15. TDC – Charity Commission – phone scam (e-mailed/handed to Cllrs.)

The Clerk brought the highlighted items to the attention of the Meeting.

Item 3 – after discussion, it was agreed that an interest would be expressed. The Clerk to write with the information requested. It was thought land at the bottom of the playing field would be a good location. Cllr. Seymour-Smith to provide a photograph of the site to the Clerk and Cllr. Giles to be the contact for any queries from TDC. The Clerk emphasised that this, at the moment, is in very early stages and as the heading of the letter indicates is an expression of interest.

Item 13 – The Clerk will include this in an article for ‘The Buzz’.

1. Community First – Insurance premium sent
2. Torridge Mid Devon & Bude CAB – grant cheque
3. Mr. Keen – traffic problems Littlebridge Meadows
4. I. Sorenson – adoption and sewage Littlebridge
5. Hls Post – article
6. Cllr. SS – Newacott Cross no resurfacing
7. Cllr. SS – Parish Paths
8. SW Water – Littlebridge Meadow
9. PCSO Harvey – Littlebridge Meadow

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#### **360. PARISH PLAN**

The Plan will be thoroughly checked by a Meeting of the Steering Group on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 in the Village Hall; to hopefully be circulated with the next edition of ‘The Buzz’.

#### **361. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

There was no Report

#### **362. CLERK’S REPORT**

The Clerk reported as follows:

- The Animal Warden had attended Bridgerule and had placed painted signs on a location near the bus stop and on the path leading to the open space at Southfields. One of the signs at Southfields had subsequently been painted over by a resident. This was witnessed. Mr. Casswell (Animal Warden) indicated to the Clerk that this was Criminal Damage and he will be investigating.
- Cllr. Stoneman had requested that Cllr. Abbott deliver remaining rolls of fencing, plus wood rails, to the hall to enable fencing to be erected by the playing area. He also requested that the road verge be strimmed.
- Cllr. Stoneman brought to the Council's attention (via a note to the Clerk), the possibility that a Laburnum tree, planted by the riverside, may be toxic if eaten. Cllr. Seymour-Smith will investigate and report back to the next Meeting.

- The Bude Canal Trust is to have an informal open day on 17<sup>th</sup> July, at Pancrasweek Parish Hall, between 11a.m. and 4p.m. Councillors are invited.
- There will be a Meeting of Torridge District Council in the Memorial Hall, Holsworthy, on 28<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30 p.m. Members of the public are welcome.
- Tarka Housing is trying out solar lights in Bideford and if successful, may use one near the garages near The Green. The Clerk will be contacting Tarka to be kept updated.

**363. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.**

**364. CLOSE**

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 9.55 p.m.

Signature ..... Date .....