

CHARLTON MARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Church Rooms on Tuesday 5th May 2009

1. Elections

- 1.1 **Chairman** – Cllr Rodd. Proposed by Cllr Harper, seconded by Cllr Presland. All agreed
1.2 **Vice Chairman** - Cllr Harper. Proposed by Cllr Presland, seconded by Cllr Powell. All agreed

2. **Chairman's Report**

Cllr Rodd thanked Cllrs present and past for giving up precious amounts of their time during the past year. The clerk settling into the job and adding some enthusiasm and drive to the role. Thanks to DC Cllr Cox and NDD Cllr Moyle for their advice and support on the various issues the council had faced. The distribution of the Information Pack to all households in the village. The development of a village website. After the loss of the post office, the success of the coffee mornings and other events in the church room. Obtaining the lease for the playing field in Hopegood Close and to look at development of the area for the benefit of all. The effort put into Youth activities have resulted with the launch of the new Youth club. (full report attached)

3. **Report from County Councillor Hilary Cox**

DCC have not reduced any services during the year and the Council Tax has been set at 3.5% this year. DCC has achieved Level 3 for Equality and Diversity. Work has continued on the Stour Valley railway. PACT issues have been acted upon where possible. Speeding through villages still an issue. A new crossing is programmed at Blandford St Mary. The bad weather highlighted the need to review the gritting routes. School bus changes to improve the safety and comfort of the pupils. Winterborne Kingston School completed. She will be campaigning during April/May for the County and European elections. (full report attached)

4. **Report from District Councillor Richard Moyle** – unable to attend the meeting

5. **Standing Orders** – Wait until the new guidelines from NALC are received.

6. **Financial Regulations:** A copy of regulations to all Cllrs to read; for discussion at next meeting.

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1. **Attendance:**

Cllr Rodd, Cllr Harper, Cllr Plant, Cllr Powell, Cllr Presland, DC Cllr Cox, PC Mullins plus 3 members of the public

Apologies:

Dist Cllr Moyle,

Non-attendance:

Cllr Mole,

2. **Declarations of Interest:**

None

3. **Open Forum:**

Margaret Chambers thanked the Parish Council for their hard work and achievements during the past year. She also suggested bringing back "Beating the Bounds" next year as a community event. As the boundary of the village is over a large area perhaps relays of teams could all do a length. This would be educational to all ages in the village.

PC Mullins reported 3 crimes for the Riversdale Ward in April. There were 22 calls from Charlton Marshall area, which resulted in 1 crime. The launch of "Not in our Neighbourhood" week in June concerning speeding through villages. They can be booked for a time slot with the mobile speed camera on 19th June. Clerk to arrange a time. The Thornicombe turn to be looked at, as the layout of junctions needs to be addressed. Clerk to check back on notes from meeting with Highways in 2007 and report to PC Mullins. They hope to pop in to a coffee morning so residents can discuss any issues they might have. Will also visit the Youth club to make contact with the youth. If we have any event we would like a police to be a representative, then contact him and he will arrange.

4. **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 7th April 2009:**

It was proposed by Cllr Plant and seconded by Cllr Harper that these be a true record. Agreed.

5. **Insurance:**

The insurance premium of £473.14 is due for the coming year from 1st June 2009. Proposed Cllr Presland and seconded Cllr Powell for payment. All agreed.

6. **DAPTC:**

The annual subscription of **£322.17 is due**. Proposed Cllr Presland and seconded Cllr Harper for payment. All agreed.

7. Finance:

Cheques – proposed Cllr Presland, seconded Cllr Powell, the following cheques are paid. All agreed.

Clerk's salary - £211.15	Clerks Expenses - £29.40 (room & postage)
Countryside Services - £2010.00 (grass cutting etc)	Insurance - £473.14 (includes 5% discount)
Connexus Web - £47.52 (website name etc.)	DAPTC - £322.17 (subscription)
Dorset County Training Partnership - £60.00 (CiLCA training)	SMP - £812.13 (Springy Toy)

The papers have been received from BDO Stoy Hayward with regard to the Annual Audit return. Notice of Appointment of Date for the Exercise of Electors Rights to be displayed from 11th May – 24th May. Records to be made available from 26th May – 22nd June. Submit annual return by 26th June. The yearend financial report was discussed. proposed Cllr Powell, seconded Cllr Presland that these be accepted as a true record of the year accounts. All agreed. The internal audit was discussed. Chris Dewey suggested a village resident he knew who might be interested in helping out; he will approach them and get in touch with the clerk.

8. Play Area:

Cllr Rodd inspected the area. The following problems were reported:
Slide – the wood at the top by the rope the children use for climbing, this has rotted and needs replacing, there is also a large nail sticking up which needs removing urgently. Clerk to sort out.
Climbing Frame – the long rope has frayed and showing the metal inner. Clerk to order new rope.
Bench – A bolt is missing from one side of the back slat of wood. Clerk to get repaired.

Chris Dewey suggested a builder who might be interested in carrying out repairs/maintenance jobs; he will approach them and get in touch with the clerk.

Correspondence from NDDC re the RoSPA inspection has been received, this will be carried out in July. A risk assessment of the field needs to done. Clerk to arrange.

9. Planning:

Applications Received:

Tree preservation order application for work to protected trees at 1 Charlton Manor, Charlton Marshall

Decisions Received:

2/2009/0211/PLNG: 2 Charlton Beeches, Charlton Marshall – Erect single storey side extension linking dwelling to garage – permission granted

10. Parish Plan:

The Youth Club had a disco on 16th April about 14 children attended and applied for membership. The next session was held on 30th April. The snooker table arrived. About 13 members turned up and thoroughly enjoyed the session. Next evening is 14th May. The Community & Neighbourhood committee will be meeting to revise the information pack.

11. Newsletter:

The May newsletter was approved. Thanks to Mark for producing an excellent issue.

12. Traffic Issues:

The faulty VAS was removed end of March. The new VAS to be connected to mains electric will be installed at the end of May.

13. Trailway:

The problem of dog mess along the new extension is still causing concern. If DCC or NDDC does not supply dog bins without a charge the Parish Council might consider purchasing one to put along the boundary at Newtown. Perhaps approach Blandford St Mary Parish Council if they would consider doing the same at Ward Drove. The clerk will make enquiries regarding cost of dog bins.

14. Website:

The Cllrs thanked Chris Dewey for the excellent website he had produced. He has kindly offered to keep it up to date for the present time. Several suggestions were put forward regarding further information that could be included. The clerk to send any information received re events that would be of interest to the village.

15. Correspondence:

The correspondence was discussed and will be circulated.

16. Matters for next meeting:

New Cllr

Standing Orders

Financial Regulations

Grave in Old Cemetery

An Annual Public Meeting

17. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 2nd June 2009 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm.