

EAST HUNTSPILL PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of East Huntspill Parish Council was held in the Church Hall Church Lane East Huntspill on **Monday 19th December 2005** that commenced at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT Councillors Mesdames T J Salway (Chairman) K Bennett V Shellard Messrs D Barlow M Hunter F Kidner (Vice Chairman) R Puddy N Litton J S B Woolley and the clerk Mr B Poole.

In addition there were 3 members of the public present together with District Councillor Mrs J Moreton.

“Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race gender sexual orientation marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder Health & Safety and Human Rights”

Declaration of Interests

25.5.1.20	F Kidner	Known to applicant
25.5.1.20	J Woolley	Known to applicant
25.5.2.24	F Kidner	Applicant
25.7.1	K Bennett	Village Hall Member
25.7.1	D Barlow	Village Hall Member
25.7.1	R Puddy	Village Hall Member

25.1 Apologies

District Councillor P Herbert County Councillor M Healey and PC Paul Hockin

25.2 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 19th November 2005 were taken as read and approved as being a correct record except for the minor under mentioned amendment and signed as such by the chairman

The Chairman invited Mr T Pugh to speak (on behalf of Mr Pugh senior one of) being the applicant(s). Mr Pugh read to the meeting a statement of intent and thereafter answered a number of questions.

25.3 Matters Arising

(1) Matters Raised by the Public

(a) Graffiti in the Bus Shelter

It was noted that Mrs A Hamlin had agreed that she would arrange to have the remedial work carried out as soon as possible.

(2) Millennium Stones

It was noted that the installation would now take place in the New Year.

(3) Dog Bins

Councillor Woolley reported that the matter was in hand.

(4) Parish Plan

(a) 4 Newsletters per year

(b) Website

(c) Fully elected Council

(d) Village Surgeries

(e) Submission to SDC & SCC

The clerk confirmed that he would meet up with Mrs J Cooper of SDC as soon as possible to discuss the progressing of the village plan.

- (5) Highway Matters
- (a) Woolavington Bridge – litter
 - (b) Withy Road Railway Bridge – Parking of Vehicles
 - (c) Withy Road Sign

It was noted that progress had been made on these matters

- (6) New Road – Speed Limit

Councillor Litton informed the meeting of SCC's response which was that they would not take any action as requested due to financial restrictions. It was agreed that the damaged pole should be re-instated.

- (7) Joint Meeting with West Huntspill

To be organised by the chairman and the clerk.

- (8) Bank Mandate Changes

The clerk confirmed that he had taken the appropriate action following November's meeting.

25.4 Financial

(41)	Mr B Poole	Clerk's Salary & Expenses – November	387.50
(42)	Bruce Poole & Co	Postage – November	12.90
(43)	SLCC	Annual Subscription 2006	31.00

Resolved that the accounts as presented be paid.

BANK RECONCILIATION

Balance per Bank Statements as at 30 th November 2005			
	Current Account		1805.64
	Business Account		6926.20
	Consolidated Stock		31.50
	Sub Total		8763.34
	Less Uncleared Cheques		
	884	10.50	10.50
	Total as at 30th November 2005		8752.84
Cash Book			
	Opening Balance		3170.39
	Add Receipts to date		12618.16
	Less Payments to date		7035.86
	Closing Total as at 30th November 2005		8752.84

The chairman suspended Standing Orders.

Councillor Kidner left the meeting at 7.55pm

25.5 Planning

- (1) **Outstanding Applications**

25/05/00011

Formation of fishing lake erection of toilet/storage building formation of Car Park and access onto Withy Road
Land to the East of Cedar Shade Withy Road

25/05/00015

Erection of stable block and access
OS Field No 1979 South of New Road East Huntspill

25/05/00017 – Approved 23/11/2005

Erection of single storey rear extension partly on the site of existing (to be demolished) conversion of garage to living accommodation
34 Church Road East Huntspill

The chairman invited Mr T Pugh to speak on the amended plans.

25/05/00020

Erection of toilet/washroom and reception buildings formation of 64 all weather pitches for touring caravans and roadways formation of fenced area to store 40 caravans
Land to the North and East of Phippens Farm New Road East Huntspill

The Council had no objections.

(2) New Applications

25/05/00019

JW

Erection of two storey side extension including car port
59 Church Road East Huntspill

Due to the fact that this application had only just been received it was agreed to hold it over to the January Planning Committee Meeting.

25/05/00021

RP

Installation of Replacement Bridge
Withy Drove Bridge Withy Road East Huntspill

25/05/00022

RP

Removal of 30m of hedgerow
Hedgerow Withy Drove Bridge Withy Road East Huntspill

25/05/00024

KB

Erection of two storey side extension
10 Mead Close East Huntspill

The Council had no objections to this proposal as it did not impact on the neighbouring property and wholly consistent with other extensions in the locality.

The chairman re-instated Standing Orders

25.6 Open Spaces

(1) Playing Field

JW

Councillor Woolley reported on the following matters:

(a) Mole activity

It was agreed that expert help should be sought from SDC and that some replacement take place when the grass cutting season commences.

(b) Distorted Post

It was agreed that Mr Lukins be asked to carry out the necessary remedial work

(c) Youth/Football Shelter

Quotations to be sought

(2) Footpaths & Bridleways

MH

Councillor Hunter agreed to re-visit the footpath problem as highlighted by Mrs A Major of Church Lane and thereafter ask SCC to take the required redial action

Councillor Litton informed the Council of the forthcoming further meeting with SCC and the neighbours adjoining the proposed third pinch gate location.

25.7**Reports**

(1) Village Hall

It was noted that bookings were still progressing well. Councillor Bennett suggested that the Parish Council should hold alternative meetings in the Church Hall and the New Village Hall.

(2) SALC

Nothing to Report

(3) Cluster Group

Councillor Woolley gave a lengthy verbal report on a number of issues that had been raised at the last cluster meeting.

(4) Councillors

(a) Councillor Barlow

He suggested that street cleansing was not at an acceptable standard. Clerk to write to SDC.

(b) Councillor Shellard

Reported on the fact that the verges were being eroded in New Road

(c) Councillor Bennett

She informed the Council that a pre meeting to arrange the planned Horticultural & Craft Show on August 5th was being held this on coming Thursday.

(5) District Councillors

Mrs Moreton advised the meeting that the budget setting process was currently taking place where the Council were endeavouring to secure savings of one million pounds.

(6) County Councillor

(7) Village Beat Officer

No Report

(9) **East Huntspill School**

Councillor Shellard reported that the School was now a special measures school following a recent Ofsted visit with concerns being noted in numeracy and literacy. The Governors were keen to provide as much support as possible to the dedicated staff.

(10) The Clerk

Nothing to report

25.8**Correspondence**

(1)	SDC	Contact Numbers for Council Services	BP
(2)		Sedgemoor Lifeline	NB
(3)		Updating of Tree Preservation Orders	RP
(4)		Planning Applications 10/11/2005 to 16/11/2005	C
(5)	EH Pre-School	Letter seeking Grant Funding	BP
(6)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> – Issue 620 – 28/11/2005	C
(7)	The Huntspill News	December 2005 and January 2006 Edition	C
(8)	SDC	Planning Applications 17/11/2005 to 23/11/2005	C

(9)		Planning Application 25/05/00020 – Reasons?	RP
(10)		Agenda & Minutes Coastal Cluster Group – 13/12/05	JW
(11)	SCC	Speed Limit on New Road	NL
(12)	RoSPA	Inspections 2006	JW
(13)	SDC	Planning Applications 24/11/2005 to 30/11/2005	C
(14)	Thatch	Winter 2005	

Additional items for information received after the circulation of the Agenda

(15)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 621 12/12/05	C
(16)	Sedgemoor CAB	Seeking Funds	BP
(17)	SDC	Planning Applications 01/12/2005 to 07/12/2005	C
(18)	Bridgwater College	IT Training in the Parish	C
(19)	SDC	Workshop on Youth Projects for Parishes	BP
(20)	SDC	Free Computers	C
(21)	SPFA	“The Playing Field” – Autumn 2005	C

25.9 Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To set a Precept for 2006/07

The Council agreed on a proposal from Councillor Bennett and seconded by Councillor Litton to set a Precept of £12,750.00 for the 2006/07. Approved unanimously

25.10 Date of next Meeting

Planning Committee – 2nd January 2006 – New Village Hall

Parish Council Meeting 16th January 2006