

EAST HUNTSPILL PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of East Huntspill Parish Council was held in the Church Hall Church Lane East Huntspill on **Monday 20th December 2004** commencing at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

“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

14.7.2

**K Bennett - Village Hall Member
D Barlow - Village Hall Member**

PRESENT

Councillors F Kidner (Vice Chairman) Mesdames K Bennett W Chinnock Messrs D Barlow J S B Woolley and the clerk Mr B Poole.

In addition there were 5 members of the public present together with District Councillor M Paul Herbert and County Councillor Mark Healey

14.1

Apologies

Mrs J T Salway (Chairman) together with Councillors N Litton & R Puddy together with and District Councillor Mrs J Moreton

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Apologies

14.2

Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th November 2004 and the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 6th December 2004 and the ad hoc Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee held on Monday 6th December 2004 were taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Vice Chairman.

14.3

Matters Arising

(1) Millennium Stones

It was noted that the Council were waiting upon Mr Lukins to carry out the agreed work.

(2) Playing Field

Bye Laws

Still with SDC

Improvements

See agreed minutes of the 6th December.

(3) Portable Speed Check Camera

(4) Young Persons Sub-Group

(5) Garden at School

Nothing to Report

(6) Casual Vacancy

BP

It was agreed that the three candidates who had volunteered should be invited to attend a short meeting prior to the next Parish Council Meeting where members of the Council could meet with them and ask any necessary questions before recommending one candidate to fill to casual vacancy.

(7) Speed Tickets

BP

The Clerk confirmed that a report had been received which he had placed in the Monthly Circulation Pack.

- (8) Planning Directorate BP

The lack of a further response was noted whereupon it was agreed that the matter should be removed from the Agenda.

- (9) RoSPA – DDA requirements BP

Formal reply still to be received.

- (10) Telegraph Pole

Councillor Woolley advised the meeting that he had dealt with the matter with a representative from SDC who was taking the appropriate action.

- (11) Bicycles – absence of lights and reflectors

The Council noted the non committal answers from the schools.

- (12) First Bus

No reply as yet.

14.4 Financial

(62) Sage	Additional Licence	50.00	8.75
(63) SCC	Supply of Sign - Playground	58.14	
(64) Mr Poole	Clerk's Salary – November	187.68	
	PAYE	52.80	
	Travel	29.29	
	Expenses – November	50.00	
(65) Bruce Poole & Co	Postage – November	12.25	

Resolved that the accounts as presented be paid.

BANK RECONCILIATION

Balance per Bank Statements as at 31st December 2004

Opening Balance		
Current Account		967.99
Business Account		3023.98
Consolidated Stock		31.50
Sub Total		4023.47
Receipts		8489.47
Sub Total		12512.94
Payments		6295.55
Total		6217.39
Closing Balance		
Current Account		14.93
Less Uncleared Cheques		
789	58.75	
790	58.14	116.89
Sub Total		(101.96)
Business Account		6287.85
Consolidated Stock		31.50
Total		6217.39

14.5 Planning

- (1) **Outstanding Applications**

25/03/00036

Use of existing integral garage as living accommodation
Oakdene Withy Road East Huntspill

RP

25/04/00023

Erection of Stables and hay barn
Stables on OS Field No 5488 East Huntspill

25/04/00031 – Approved 16/11/2004

Conversion of Garage to living accommodation and erection of two storey side extension
9 Chapel Lane East Huntspill

25/04/00032 - Amended Plans 17/11/2004 – Approved 14/12/2004

Change of use and conversion of Barn (No 1) to Holiday Accommodation
Kings Farm Withy Road East Huntspill

25/04/00033 - Amended Plans 17/11/2004 – Approved 14/12/2004

Change of use and conversion of Barn (No 2) to Holiday Accommodation
Kings Farm Withy Road East Huntspill

25/04/00034 - Amended Plans 17/11/2004 – Approved 14/12/2004

Change of use and conversion of Barn (No 3) to Holiday Accommodation
Kings Farm Withy Road East Huntspill

25/04/00035 - Amended Plans 17/11/2004 – Approved 14/12/2004

Change of use and conversion of Barn (No 4) to Holiday Accommodation
Kings Farm Withy Road East Huntspill

25/04/00036 – Withdrawn 22/09/2004

Change of use from grazing land to touring park for 10 Caravans
Knoll View Mark Road Walrow Highbridge

(2) New Applications

25/04/0037

Erection of outbuilding to replace existing sheds and outbuildings
Sunningdale Cote East Huntspill

The Council were of the opinion that the proposals

- would impact on the adjoining properties
- It was not consistent with the present use
- Potentially could create a traffic hazard

And therefore should be refused.

25/04/00038

Erection of single storey rear extension
7 New Road East Huntspill

The Council acknowledged that this single storey extension had already been constructed and as it did not impact on the adjoining properties and was of a similar design to neighbouring extensions which it found to be attractive it had no objections.

11/04/00240

Installation of 2.4m high security fencing surrounding car park
3 Evercreech Way Walrow Industrial Estate Highbridge

The Council noted that the proposals were similar with surrounding properties and as such did not have any objections.

(3) Appeals

APP/V3310/C/04/1166509

Against Enforcement Notice
Withy Bow Farm Withy Grove East Huntspill

RP

It was agreed that the Council should take a proactive role by writing to the Inspector setting out the Councils' views supporting the removal of the enforcement notice. Those Councillors who wished to be involved should set out their views and present them to the clerk for the onward joint submission.

14.6 Open Spaces

- (1) Playing Field
- (2) Footpaths & Bridleways
- (3) Roads & Transport

No Reports

14.7 Reports

- (1) Village Appraisal

Thanks were expressed to Mrs A Hamlin for the excellent production of the Village Newsletter.

- (2) Village Hall

Councillor Dave Barlow gave an update on the current users and usage of the Hall which was increasing.

- (3) SALC

The clerk reported on the recently held seminar on the audit.

- (4) Cluster Group

No such meeting

- (5) Councillors

Councillor Barlow advised the meeting what had recently taken place in respect to a Lorry survey. The clerk was asked to ascertain why the survey was sited where it was which clearly would not take into consideration the County Council Lorry movements in the village.

- (6) District Councillors

Councillor Herbert advised the meeting on the progress of the re-furbishment of Bridgwater House.

- (7) County Councillor

Councillor Healey expressed his concern in relation to the leaflets produced by the Liberal Democrats that had been circulating through East Huntspill and Puriton.

- (8) Village Beat Officer

- (9) East Huntspill School

JS

No reports presented

- (10) The Clerk

Mr Poole advised the meeting that Bleadon Parish Council had secured Quality Council status and he expressed the hope that it would be secured by East Huntspill as well.

8.35 pm Councillors Herbert & Healey departed from the meeting.

14.8 Correspondence

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| (1) | SALC | Clerks Seminar 17/11/04 – 2004 Audit | C |
| (2) | Standards Board | Code of Conduct Guidance – dual-hatted members | C |
| (3) | Avon & Somerset Police | Speeding Statistics – See 14.3.7 | C |
| (4) | SDC | Planning Applications – 04/11/2004-10/11/2004 | C |
| (5) | East Huntspill Pre School | Request for Funds | BP |
| | | Agreed that a decision would be made in February 2005 | |
| (6) | SCC | Council Meeting 24/11/04 | C |
| (7) | SDC | Planning Applications – 11/11/2004-17/11/2004 | C |

(8)	Standards Board	Guidance for Monitoring Officers	BP
(9)	DIS <i>Extra</i>	NALC's Direct Information Service	C
(10)	NALC	Implementation of the National Agreement on Salaries	C
(11)	"The Huntspill News"	December 2004 January 2005	C
(12)	"Thatch"	Winter 2004	C
(13)	Community Update	December 2004	C
(14)	SDC	Planning Applications – 18/11/2004-24/11/2004	C
(15)	NPFA	Field Focus – Autumn 2004	C
(16)	The King Alfred School	Road Safety Issues	WC
(17)	SDC	Planning Applications – 25/11/2004-01/12/2004	C
(18)	Safety Camera P/ship	Elected Members' Day – 25/01/2005	C
(19)	SDC	Guidance Notes on Rural Housing for Local Needs	C
(20)	Ian Liddell-Grainger	Save our Buses Petition	C
(21)	SCC	Winter Service 2004/2005	C

Additional items for information received after the circulation of the Agenda

(22)	SLCC	Conditions of Service for Clerks of Local Councils Annual Subscription 2005	BP BP
(23)	SDC	Refuse Collection Services – Christmas Approval of Amendments 25/04/00020	NB WC
(24)	SLCC	"The Clerk" – Vol 34 No 5 December 2004	C
(25)	SDC	Fireworks "What's On?"	C C
(26)	SDC	The Future of Council Housing in Sedgemoor	C
(27)	SCC	Parish Survey 2003/2004	C
(28)	SDC	Planning Applications – 02/12/2004-08/12/2004	C

14.9

Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To receive a report on the SLCC Regional One Day Conference
- (2) To receive a report on the Freedom of Information Act

It was noted that these two reports had been placed in the December Circulation Pack.

- (3) To set a precept for the year 2005/2006

After some discussion the meeting accepted the Finance Committee's recommendation that the precept for 2005-2006 be £9,715 as shown on the attached sheet. The recommendation was carried 3 votes to one with one abstention.

Date of next Meeting

Monday 17th January 2005 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Planning Committee – 3rd January 2005 – New Village Hall