

EAST HUNTSPILL PARISH COUNCIL

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Prior to the commencement meeting the Chairman invited Mrs Mary Chorley of Sedgemoor District Council the officer responsible for promoting Affordable Housing Projects. She introduced two colleagues Mr Colin Powell Architect and Mr Phil Yorke of the Housing Association. Together they informed the meeting as to the progress to date and the suggested design and layout. A number of questions were asked and at the conclusion of which Mrs Chorley and company departed from the meeting.

Dr Lane was then invited to address the meeting on the subject of wind turbines in general and the planning application regarding the proposal to erect a 60m high Meteorological data gathering mast for temporary use (3 years) on land to the South West of Withy Farm Withy Grove East Huntspill. He reminded the Council that in his view this application was the thin edge of the wedge before wind turbines were erected in the same locality. He urged the parish council to refuse the application.

Finally the applicants Mr & Mrs Harris for planning application 25/10/00013 sought support from the Parish Council. At the end of Mr Harris's presentation to the meeting he was thanked by the chairman for his attendance.

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting of East Huntspill Parish Council held in the **Church Hall Church Lane East Huntspill** on **Monday 15th March 2010** that commenced at **8.00 pm** when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT: Councillors Mesdames T J Salway (Chairman) V Shellard (Vice Chairman) K Bennett G Hendy Messrs G Boyer F Kidner N Litton R Puddy and the clerk Mr B Poole

Additionally five members of the public were present together with County Councillor Mr Mark Healey and District Councillors Mrs Jane Moreton and Mr P Herbert

66.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance

Councillors K Cooke (work commitment).

66.2 To receive any declarations of interest

Ref	Councillor	Type	Relationship
66.6.2- 01/2	F Kidner	Personal	Related to the applicant
66.6.2 - 11	G Boyer	Prejudicial	Applicant
66.8.1	R Puddy	Personal	Trustee New Hall Management
66.8.1	TJ Salway	Personal	Trustee New Hall Management
66.10.1 Grants	R Puddy V Shellard T Salway K Bennett	Personal Personal Personal Personal	Trustee of New Hall Management/W Puddy Member of Good Companions/Church Hall Trustee of New Hall/Church Hall/Pre School Member Art Group/Horticultural Show

66.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15th February 2010

Resolved that the Minutes a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15th February 2010 as circulated be taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

66.4 Past Subject Matters

For the purpose of report only

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| (1) | Matters raised by members of the public at the previous council meeting | BP |
| | None | |
| (2) | Weight Restrictions | NL |
| | See 66.7.3 | |
| (3) | Village Calendar | VS |
| | The clerk was asked to check how matters were progressing | |
| (4) | Affordable Housing Village Survey | BP |
| | See commencement of meeting | |
| (5) | Police Scheme – “Cold Call” | VS |
| | Now concluded | |
| (6) | Village Web Site | BP |
| | Awaiting a launch date | |
| (7) | Playbuilder Project New Road Playing Field | BP |
| | Work has commenced | |
| (8) | Hedge Cutting | KC |
| | Noted that a quotation has been received from the Cricket Club | |
| (9) | Tree Donation | JS |
| | Noted that it was yet to happen | |
| (10) | Computer Equipment | VS |
| | Now in the hands of the parish council | |
| (11) | Precept 2010/11 | BP |
| | SDC has been appropriately advised | |

66.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the past month

(68)	SLCC	UofG G Field Trip	105.83	
(69)	EH Village Hall	Hire of Committee Room	24.00	
(70)	SDC	Dog Bin Emptying	273.52	47.87
(71)	Staff	Salary & Expenses – February	635.94	
(72)	Crown Stores	Broadband	96.90	

Resolved that the accounts as presented be paid

66.6 Planning

(1) To receive an update on the following outstanding applications

25/09/00022 – Refused 27/01/10 GB
Erection of two storey side and rear extension
7 Factory Lane Basonbridge

25/09/00023 – Target Date 27/01/01 FK
Erection of building to form workshop units, reception, offices and disabled WC facilities for people recovering from and undergoing rehabilitation following brain injury, alterations to access, turning, parking and landscaping
On land at Wall Eden Farm New Road East Huntspill

25/10/00003 – Approved 24/02/10
Change of use, conversion and extension of barn to form meeting room
Secret World New Road East Huntspill

25/10/00004 – Approved 24/02/10
Change of use, conversion and extension of barn to form meeting room
Secret World New Road East Huntspill

25/10/00005 – Target Date 01/02/10 FK
Erection of extension to agricultural building
Barn B Westhill Farm Catherine Street

25/10/00006 – Target Date 01/02/10 FK
Erection of extension to agricultural building
Barn A Westhill Farm Catherine Street

25/10/00007 – Target Date 01/02/10 JS
Erection of five dwellings (amended house types) plots 3, 4, 11,12,and 13
Smithy Farm Chapel Lane

25/10/00008 – Approved 03/03/10 KC
Remove 479m of hedge on east side of ditch to allow access to water course
Land to the south of Red House Gold Corner Drove East Huntspill

25/10/00009 – Approved 03/03/10 KC
Removal of 335m of hedgerow to allow access to water course
Land to the South of Burtle Road East Huntspill

25/10/00010 – Target Date 05/03/10 VS
Formation of vehicle access and hard standing for off road parking
22 Church Road East Huntspill

(2) To consider and respond to the following planning applications

25/10/00001 & 2 – Target Date 23/03/10 FK
Alterations and extensions to south and east elevations of building A and building B
Secret World New Road Farm New Road

The Council recommended approval on both of these applications

Councillor G Boyer departed from the meeting for a short while

25/10/00011 – Target Date 19/03/10 RP
Erection of 60m high Meteorological data gathering mast for temporary use (3 years)
Land to the South West of Withy Farm Withy Grove East Huntspill

The Parish Council recommended approval of this application on the casting vote of the Chair.

Councillor G Boyer returned to the meeting

25/10/00012 – Target Date 24/02/10

Change of use and conversion of workshops/barn to form annexe to dwelling
Mill Farm New Road East Huntspill

The Council recommended approval of this application

25/10/00013 – Target Date 31/03/10

GB

Erection of four holiday units on site of existing agricultural units (to be demolished)
On land at Cripps Farm Merry Lane East Huntspill

The Council recommended approval of this application on the basis that it was supported by the following SDC policies CNE3 RLT 16 & STR3

66.7 Open Spaces – To receive reports from the following brief holders

- (1) Playing Field KB

It was noted that the Playbuilder Project had commenced that week. The Clerk reminded the Council that the present equipment was to be totally removed.

- (2) Footpaths & Bridleways GB

Nothing tangible to report other than Councillor Boyer indicated that he would soon be commencing his annual footpath walks to check on state and access of each.

- (3) Roads & Transport NL

66.8 To receive the following Village Reports

- (1) Village Hall RP

An update was given on the recent activities that had taken place

- (2) SALC BP

Notification of 2010/11 Affiliation Fees - £242.87 BP

- (3) Councillors

- (a) Councillor Nigel Litton

- (i) Cost of the Village Computer

Questions were asked as to the cost and viability of the village computer

- (ii) 2010/11 Precept

A question was asked as to the correct ratio of the Precept increase

- (b) Councillor Kay Bennett

Reported on a recent incident that had taken place in Catherine Street

- (c) Councillor Valerie Shellard

Was pleased to note how quickly the last circulation pack went to rounds i.e. in a month

- (d) Councillor Gordon Boyer

Asked how long was the two year contract left to run – August 2010

- (4) Village News Letter and Web Site

Reported elsewhere

- (5) District Councillors
Reported on the budget savings that had to be made and those which had been made
- (6) County Councillor
Confirmed that he was making a grant to the Parish Councillor to assist in the provision of fencing around the car park
- (7) Village Beat Officer
From the e-mail report submitted to the Parish Clerk it was noted that the "No Cold Call" scheme had been successful in recent weeks when an arrest was made in the Ashleigh Park area of the village.
- (9) East Huntspill School VS
It was noted that a crucial meeting was due to be taken later in the week
- (10) The Chairman JS
Nothing that had not been reported elsewhere
- (11) The Clerk
He reminded the meeting that he would be on study leave attending a Field Study Trip in Basel from the 25th March to the 1st April.

66.9 To receive and consider the following correspondence and e-mails

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| (1) | Green Communities | Marketing Leaflet | C |
| (2) | NALC | DISExtra Issue 728 – 22/02/10 | C |
| (3) | National Grid | Update on Consultation | JS |
| (4) | The Huntspill News | March 2010 | C |
| (5) | HMR&C | Payroll Year End 2009/2010 | BP |
| (6) | Mr & Mrs Birt | Unaddressed Letter – Open Meeting | BP |
| (7) | Victim Support | Grant Funding Letter request | BP |

Additional items for information received after the circulation of the Agenda

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| (8) | SCC | Somerset Levels & Moors Local Action | C |
| (9) | EDF | Hinkley Point update | C |
| (10) | Mrs G Tibbotts | Letter of Objection 25/10/00011 | BP |
| (11) | Moore Stephens | Notice of 2010 Audit | BP |
| (12) | EH Cricket Club | Grass and Hedge Cutting quotation | BP |
| (13) | NALC | DISExtra Issue 729 – 08/03/10 | C |
| (14) | Environment Agency | Local Drainage Projects | C |
| (15) | SDC | Funding Local Service | C |
| (16) | SDC | Community Engagement | |
| (17) | RCC | 'Thatch' Magazine – Winter/Spring 2010 | C |

66.10 Other Business referred to the Clerk

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| (1) | To receive the Finance Committee's Grant Funding Recommendations | BP |
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Resolved that the following grants be made:

St Margaret's Hospice	100.00
Age Concern (Somerset)	50.00
Sedgemoor Citizens Advice Bureau	50.00
Good Companions	250.00
East Huntspill Village Hall	750.00
East Huntspill Church Hall	650.00
All Saints Churchyard	500.00

All Saints PCC – Car Park	1000.00
The Huntspill Art Group	75.00
East Huntspill Horticultural Show	100.00
East Huntspill Pre School	500.00
Mr W Puddy	100.00

66.11 **Date of next Meeting – Annual Parish Meeting 19th April 2010.**

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