

# EAST HUNTSPELL PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes** of a meeting of **East Huntspill Parish Council** that was held in the **Church Hall Church Lane East Huntspill** on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2006** that commenced at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

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

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

The Chairman sought permission to bring forward at this juncture item 31.10.1. Agreed.

## **31.10.1 To formally approve the co-option of Mr Gordon Bowyer to fill the casual vacancy**

**Resolved** that the Council co-opt Mr Gordon Bowyer to fill the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr M Hunter

Councillor G Bowyer then made the statutory declaration and was formally welcomed by the chairman and the clerk.

## **31.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance**

County Councillor Mark Healey and District Councillor M P Herbert and local beat Officer PC Paul Hockin

## **31.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

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|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>31.7.4.ii</b> | <b>K Bennett</b> | <b>Garden Club Member</b>  |
| <b>31.8.1</b>    | <b>K Bennett</b> | <b>Village Hall Member</b> |
| <b>31.8.1</b>    | <b>R Puddy</b>   | <b>Village Hall Member</b> |

## **31.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2006.**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2006 be signed and approved as being a correct record subject to the under mentioned amendments.

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|---------|---|
| 30.5    | Declarations of Interests-add Planning to M P Herbert |
| 30.7.1  | KB instead of DB                                      |
| 30.7.10 | Change the words "Details were" to "Information was"  |

## **31.4 Matters Arising**

### **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) | Dog Bins   | BP |
|     | It was reported that the newly installed bin appears to be being used as it was intended |    |
| (3) | East Huntspill Cricket Club  | BP |
|     | Members of the club did not appear as arranged earlier that evening.                     |    |

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| (4) | Missing Letter Box                      | BP |
|     | No response as yet from the Post Office |    |
| (5) | Verge cutting                           | BP |
|     | Confirmed as being undertaken           |    |
| (6) | Cornmoor Crescent – shortcut            | BP |
|     | SCC reply was noted                     |    |
| (7) | Resignation – Mr D Barlow               | BP |

**31.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the month of June**

|      |                |  |        |       |
|------|----------------|--|--------|-------|
| (21) | SDC            | Playing Field Rent – 24/06/06                | 56.25  |       |
| (22) | Playsafety Ltd | RoSPA Playing Field Annual Inspection Report | 60.00  | 10.50 |
| (23) | Mr Manley      | Grass Cutting                                | 176.00 |       |
| (24) | Mr B Poole     | Clerk's Salary & Expenses – June             | 541.04 |       |
| (25) | Telecomm       | Broadband – 01/07/06 to 30/09/06             | 18.82  | 3.30  |
| (26) | SLCC           | 2006 Conference Costs                        | 118.33 |       |
| (27) | Moore Stephens | Annual Audit                                 | 120.00 | 21.00 |
| (28) | B Poole & Co   | Postage – June 2006                          | 8.32   |       |
| (29) | SPFA           | Annual Subscription                          | 10.00  |       |

Resolved that the listed items of expenditure be passed for payment

Resolved that a duplicate cheque be drawn in favour of the New Village Hall Management Committee in the sum of £500.00

**31.6 Planning**

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

**25/05/00015**

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

**25/06/00009**

Change of use from agricultural land to garden  
Land to the South of Corner Cottage Catherine Street East Huntspill

**25/06/00010**

Renewal of Planning Permission 1/25/02 for industrial development for use classes B1, B2 and B8 and formation of access  
Land to the north of Factory Lane Basonbridge Highbridge

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

**25/06/00011**

Erection of extension west elevation of garage  
Riverstone Farm Merry Lane East Huntspill

**RP**

Resolved to approve this application

**25/06/00012**

Raise roof height of existing single storey rear extension and erection of first floor extension  
111 Church Road Basonbridge Highbridge

**VS**

Resolved to approve this application

**Open Spaces - To receive reports from the brief holders**

## (1) Playing Field

JW

- (i) To consider the RoSPA Playground Safety Report and to agree to action the recommendations contained therein

The receipt of which was noted and it was:

**Resolved that**

- (a) that the clerk instruct Wicksteed to supply the required replacement chains
- (b) that no action be taken regarding the rubbish bin that was at an angle
- (c) that the clerk write stating the Council's concern about their comment on the state of the paint
- (d) that the football club be asked to take some remedial action with the grassed areas near to the Goal Posts
- (e) that Councillor Woolley would endeavour to obtain a supply of lawn turf at minimum or no cost
- (f) that Mr Manley be asked to cut back the brambles in the Playground pedestrian area

- (ii) To consider the design and siting of the youth Shelter

**Resolved that members of the Council would meet at the Playing Field half an hour before the next Planning Committee scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2006**

## (2) Footpaths &amp; Bridleways

JW

**Resolved that Councillor Gordon Boyer assume responsibility for this brief.**

Councillor Woolley to assist in the short term.

## (3) Roads &amp; Transport

NL

Councillor Litton briefed the Council on the present position with the third traffic calming pinch gate the progress of which appeared to be at a standstill. Clerk to ascertain what was causing the delay.

He also commented on the correspondence received from Woolavington Parish Council 31.9.6 whereupon the Council

He confirmed that the requested white lining at Withy Road had been done

**Resolved that the Parish Council would do all that it could in co-operating with Woolavington Parish Council in keeping an account of the HGV's using the village.**

## (4) Other

- (i) To reconsider the strategy and purpose of the Millennium Stones

**Resolved that the Council proceed with the placing of the stones immediately**

**that the style and wording of a commemorative plaque be given further consideration.**

**that Mr Noel Lukins be asked to carry out the proposed work**

Councillor Kay Bennett retired from the meeting.

- (ii) To confirm the style and level of prize – East Huntspill Garden Club Show

**Resolved to give consideration to any potential financial loss that the show might make this year**

**Resolved to donate a cup next year in respect to an "over the fence village garden competition" to run in conjunction with the annual East Huntspill Garden Club Show**

Councillor Kay Bennett returned to the meeting

**31.8 To receive the following Village Reports**

- (1) Village Hall KB
- The clerk gave an explanation as to the recent actions by Nat West Bank which created an unpaid cheque situation in respect to the SCC grant given via the Parish Council to the New Village Hall Management Committee. The clerk confirmed that the bank would reimburse any costs sustained.
- (2) SALC BP
- The clerk confirmed that Councillors training was now available through SALC and he hoped that Councillors would take up the challenge.
- (3) Cluster Group JW
- No Meeting
- (4) Councillors
- (i) John Woolley
- Informed the Council of the failure of a bridge at Wesley Cottage – SCC had been informed
- (ii) Ray Puddy
- Questioned the height of a new fence at Withy Road – clerk to investigate
- (iii) Nigel Litton
- Advised the Council of two items that had emanated from the recent appraisal wind-down open evening:
- (a) Skate Park  
(b) Crossing to New Village Hall
- (5) District Councillors
- Tabled Report from Councillor Herbert – placed in the circulation pack
- Councillor Mrs Moreton reported on the vast amount of ragwort in the district and set out what form of reporting and action was required by both members of the public and land owners

Councillor Francis Kidner and Mrs Jane Moreton left the meeting – 9.00 pm

- (6) County Councillor
- No report
- (7) Village Beat Officer
- Tabled report provided in his absence and placed in the circulation pack
- (9) East Huntspill School
- Councillor Mrs Valerie Shellard reported that the school had recently undergone a second HMI visit and it was noted with pleasure that they were registering as good.

- (10) The Clerk

Resolved that as from September 2006 the holding of the Public Voice part of the meeting would be held for a maximum of fifteen minutes prior to the commencement of a Parish Council Meeting. That anyone wishing to speak would give prior notice to the Parish Clerk by 12 noon the previous Friday of their intention to speak and on what subject/ question they wished to raise.

### 31.9 To receive and consider the following correspondence and e-mails

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|------|--|---|----|
| (1)  | Age Partnership  | Age Legislation – October 1 <sup>st</sup> 1006      | C  |
| (2)  | SDC  | Notice of Vacancy                                   | NB |
|      | See 31.10.2  |   |    |
| (3)  | NALC   | DISExtra Issue 634 – 26/06/06                       | C  |
| (4)  | SDC  | Memorial safety in local authority cemeteries       | C  |
| (5)  | Playsafety   | RoSPA Safety Inspection Report                      | JW |
| (6)  | Woolavington PC  | HGV Movements on the B3141                          | NL |
|      | See 31.7.3   |   |    |
| (7)  | Viridor  | Walpole Liaison Group Meeting notes 21/04/06        | C  |
| (8)  | Police   | Visit Headquarters Communications Department        | JS |
|      | Confirmed that Councillor Kay Bennett and the clerk were attending |   |    |
| (9)  | SCC Highways   | Cornmoor Crescent & Grass Verges                    | BP |
|      | See 31.4.5/6   |   |    |
| (10) | Huntspill News   | July/August 2006                                    | C  |
| (11) | Clerks & Councils Direct   | July 2006 – Issue 46                                | C  |
| (12) | SCC  | Reporting a problem – Public Right of Way - leaflet | C  |
| (13) | SDC  | Statement of Community Involvement                  | C  |
| (14) | NALC   | DISExtra – Issue 635 – 10/07/06                     | C  |

### Additional items for information received after the circulation of the Agenda

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|------|----------------|---------------------------------|----|
| (15) | SDC            | “What’s On” leaflet – July 2006 | C  |
| (16) | Moore Stephens | Auditors – Concluding Audit     | BP |

### 31.10 Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To formally approve the co-option of Mr Gordon Bowyer to fill the casual vacancy

See commencement of the meeting

- (2) Resignation of Mr D Barlow – Casual Vacancy

Noted. It was also noted that appropriate notification procedure had taken place and that the council were now at liberty to fill this vacancy by co-option. Applications had been received from two interested people and it was:

Resolved that an interview be held prior to the commencement of the next Parish Council Meeting

- (3) To commence the planning of the 2007 Annual Parish Meeting

It was noted that the clerk had placed a background paper in the circulation pack

- (4) To grant delegated powers to the Chairman Vice Chairman and Clerk for the closed period.

**Resolved** that delegated powers be given to the Chairman Vice-Chairman and Parish Clerk during the August

- (5) To note the posting of the Closure of Audit

Noted

- (6) To receive a financial Statement of Account fro the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006.

Received

**31.11**

**Date of next Meeting**

**Planning Committee – 7<sup>th</sup> August & 4<sup>th</sup> September 2006 – New Village Hall – if found to be necessary**

**Parish Council Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> September 2006**