

# Parish Council Minutes

**17th November 2004**

## **Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 17 November 2004**

**in Rhodes Memorial Hall, Brockhampton**

1.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and gave a tribute to Arthur Challoner, the Ward Councillor for many years, who had died last month. The Minutes of the last meeting were then read by the Clerk, approved unanimously, signed and dated.

There were apologies for absence from Jon Davis. Ward Councillor, Sydney Harrison, was in attendance.

2. Matters arising:

a) Speed limits - still a delay -the Winchcombe Road was now to be 40mph all the way with the hill in Brockhampton the only 30mph area. It looked as if the work would not now be carried out until 2005.

b) Affordable housing - two possible sites have been identified and meetings with the landowners and CDC would take place under the auspices of Martin Podd to see if either were viable.

c) Post Box in post office - Ashley Tobin to approach the Village Hall Committee and report at next meeting.

d) Working party - it was resolved that when small local projects were required a team would be put together, discuss again in March

e) Bus passing places - Charles to approach the landowner regarding a road widening scheme (with a possible contribution from the parish council) between Chapel Cottages and Coomb and Fosseyway Housing to be approached by a parishioner. - Report at next meeting.

3. Planning

the garages at Brockhampton Park, the Ivy Bank parking place and Plovers Wood extension had all been passed. The Spring Cottage extension and other works had been withdrawn for the time being. A discussion then took place regarding the proposed Orange mobile phone mast to be sited along Gassons Lane. It was decided that although the council did not object in principle, the positioning was not ideal as the site was in the centre of the AONB and close to homes. The Clerk to write. There had been several objections on a health basis but this was not a planning matter.

4. Financial:

the Clerk reported on the up to date financial situation. Payments: Clerk £392.28 which included a small annual pay rise; Receipts: Precept 2nd instalment £1125.00 and VAT refund £277.15. The

balance on the main account stood at £6933.09 and the Leeds & Holbeck/Way Forward account at £2811.34. The 2005/06 precept was then discussed in detail. With a few minor adjustments and a carry over of savings from the previous year it was resolved that the precept be fixed at the same level as last year ie £4,500.

5.

Donations:

the matter was left in abeyance.

6.

Correspondence:

The Clerk had received a letter from the Standards Board asking that councillors declare in the register of interests whether they were freemasons. In all cases this did not apply.

7.

Ward Councillor, Sydney Harrison, announced that the CDC was donating Halogen lightbulbs to pensioners etc in the district and a supply was to be left in the village post office.

8. The dates of the meetings scheduled for 2005: were fixed as 19 January, 30 March (annual meeting), 25 May (annual parish council meeting), 20 July, 21 September and 16 November.

There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm