

# Parish Council Minutes

**Wednesday 19th March 2008**

## **SEVENHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 19 March 2008**

Present: Bill Jenkin Lynne Jackson Harry Boyd Alison Giles

1. **Apologies** had been received from Di Brown and Bill Lanfear.
2. There were no **declarations of interest** in any item on the agenda.
3. The **minutes**, having been circulated, were approved, signed and dated as a true record of proceedings of the meeting held on 23 January 2008.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - a. Noticeboards – the PCC had informed the clerk that the board at the church was to be renovated. The clerk to contact Richard Kendall to accept his quotation for the Quarry board and Charles Arkell to confirm positioning. It was decided that any maintenance would be carried out as and when required.
  - b. Grass cutting – 3 quotations had been received and, although his was marginally not the cheapest quote, because he made such a good job of the work last year, Dean Webb was awarded the contract for this year beginning April 01. The clerk to liaise over payments as before.
5. **Financial:** Payments: Way Forward (earmarked reserves) a/c £1000; Village Live copying charges £21.00 and GAPTC sub £67.54. Balances: £6084.58 Barclays and £7307.40 Leeds & Holbeck which included £190.87 annual interest. It was further RESOLVED that Ian Selkirk be re-appointed external internal auditor for the year and Moore Stephens accountants external auditor for the year. Alison Giles would continue to act as internal auditor.
6. **Planning:** The wind turbine application at Nash Barn Sevenhampton had been passed and there was still no hearing arranged for the Appeal on the East Lodge extension. Plans for Coln House Garage/Garden store had been approved. There was a new application for an extra bedroom and family room at Elsdown View to which there was no objection.
  - a. **Road verges** – the clerk had contacted the owners of the properties concerned and once building work had been concluded it was hoped the verges would be repaired;
  - b. The clerk had been promised by Highways that the **potholes** would be filled in due course. It was not possible for the parish to take over the upkeep of Gassons Lane and it was not in the road budget until at least 2009/10 for resurfacing;
  - c. **Affordable housing** - there was nothing further to report.
7. **Climate change/renewable energy** – it was RESOLVED that forming a panel of parishioners together with Mike Moseley was the best approach. Interested parties to contact the clerk before the next meeting.
8. The provision of **disabled parking at Rhodes Memorial Hall** was discussed. It was RESOLVED that the clerk should contact Glos CC for advice on the feasibility of providing disabled parking at Rhodes Memorial Hall.
9. **Way Forward** – (1) As a long term project the purchase and maintenance of an open space in the parish (2) To reduce the amount of overhead cables in the village when the opportunity arises (3) Renewable energy provision for the parish (4) The provision of Village Sign(s) for Sevenhampton.
10. **Next meeting:** Confirmed as 21 May which was the annual Parish Council Meeting when officers would stand for re-election. There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm