

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 15th June 2010 at 7.00 pm at The Parish Office, Williton

Attendees:

Councillors Bigwood (Chairman), Gower, Peeks, Morse and Lapham,
Public None
Other Mrs J Johnson-Smith

Apologies:

Councillors Saunders

10/16B **Apologies as noted above.**

10/17B **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	10/25B	Personal	Left room

10/18B **Approval of the Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 11th May 2010**

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes.

10/19B **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

10/19.1B (Item 10/6.1B) Queen Bee Site It was **resolved** to note that Cllr Peeks and Cllr Bigwood had been unable to contact the owner and but would continue to try and arrange a site meeting.

10/19.2B (Item 10/6.2B) "Jurassic Doniford" It was **resolved** to note the reply from Glen Martin regarding the responsibility of maintenance of the footpaths.

10/19.3B (Item 10/6.3B) Safe Route to School from Married Quarters to St Peters. It was **resolved** to note the response from Sustrans and that the cost of preparing a design statement would be in the region of £300. It was further **resolved** to write to the County Council Safe Routes to Schools to see if there was a budget to help cover these costs.

10/19.4B (Item 10/6.4B) Village Clock It was **resolved** to note that a response was still to be received from the Manager of National Westminster Bank due to change of personnel.

10/19.5B (Item 10/6.5B) Conservation area around church The responses to the letter circulated to the residents of Bridge Street and it was noted that there was some very positive interest in supporting a conservation area. It was **resolved** to contact Jenny Gibson suggesting to arrange a site meeting with those who had expressed interest together with representatives of the Parish Council.

10/19.6B (Item 10/6.6) Lowering of kerb in car park by Social Club Cllr Morse agreed to investigate further and to contact Alan Bulpin of the District Council.

10/19.7B (Item 10/6.7) Ditches by Riding School It was **resolved** to note the response from the Wyndham Estate stating that they were no responsible for the rubbish in the stream and had contacted the District Council requesting them to remove the items. As it was felt that as owners it was the Wyndham's responsibility the Clerk was asked to write back asking them to act urgently as the problem was worsening.

10/19.8B (Item 10/6.8B) Empty Homes It was **resolved** to note the response from Sedgemoor District Council stating that the empty properties were being investigated and that it was likely to take some time. The Clerk was asked to write back thanking them for the information and requesting to be advised of a date when there would be further information.

10/20B **Correspondence**

10/20.1B It was **resolved** to note the Forum 21 flier.

10/20.2B It was **resolved** to note the practical guide to England's statutory landscape designations received from the Quantock Hills AONB Service.

10/21B **Highways Matters**

10/21.1B Cllrs Morse and Bigwood reported on the site meeting with the Highways Department to discuss the parking problems at Tower Hill and advised that the Highways were not prepared to place any restrictions as they felt it slowed the traffic down and unless there was a serious accident they would not change their policy, but they would keep monitoring the situation. It was **resolved** to urge Williton residents through the Williton Window to contact the Highways Department individually if they had any concerns over parking at Tower Hill.

10/21.2B It had been reported that the street light at Robert Street was causing problems to the residents of 13 Robert Street and it was **resolved** to write to the Highways requesting a coloured light or a shade.

10/21.3B It was advised that cuttings had been left in the road at Robert Street after hedge trimming at the Doctors Surgery and the Clerk was asked to write to the Doctors asking that they be cleared.

10/22B Finance and Budget Considerations

It was **resolved** to note the Risk Action Plan and the responsibilities relating to the Committee.

10/23B Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers

10/23.1B The Copse It was **resolved** to note that the faulty lights had now been repaired. It was advised that two trees were doing very badly and it was **resolved** to write to Wibble Nurseries advising them that the trees were in poor health and to request that they inspect them and offer any advice.

10/23.2B Bellamy's Corner It was **resolved** to note that the weeds still needed spraying.

10/23.3B Doniford Car Park It was **resolved** to advise the Groundsman that the area needed strimming.

10/23.4B Recreation Ground It was **resolved** to note that there had been more vandalism to the roof of the play shelter and attempts at vandalism had been made to the swings. The Police had been notified and the Groundsman was arranging the necessary repairs. It was **resolved** to note that the gates had been repaired.

10/24B Review of Parish Plan

10/24.1B Outstanding Actions – Section 1-5

2avi It was **resolved** to note the letter received from the Highways Department stating that they would not grant permission to erect the sign on their pole as there were too many there already. Cllr Morse agreed to look at another location. It was **resolved** to note that a quotation had been received for the purchase of a ladder in order that the Groundsman could erect the sign in the car park.

10/24.2B Section 6.0 - Skate & BMX Provision and Other Activities

6bi It was **resolved** to note the positive response from Danesfield School regarding locating a swimming pool on their site and to reply suggesting a meeting with Cllrs Morse and Gower to discuss this further.

10/24.3B Section 7.0 – Williton's Youth

7iii It was **resolved** to note the report and suggested websites given by Cllr Peeks and to put forward the idea of setting up a Youth Council to Full Council.

10/25B Planning Applications for consideration

Application No	Location	Comments
3/39/10/007	Resubmission of Sunnybank Caravan Park, Doniford	No objections
3/39/10/008	Resubmission of Gliddons Garage – Erection of 21 Dwellings	Recommendations to go to Full Council as follows: Access is strongly recommended to the site via the bridge across the stream from behind the property No 3 off the car park leading to Robert Street.
3/39/10/009	41 Half Acre, Extension	No objections
3/39/10/010	1 Sir Gilbert Scott Court, Installation of Central Heating	No objections

10/26B Notification of planning decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/10/003	Enlarge existing door to garage between 18 & 29 Robert St	Granted
3/39/10/005	2 Storey Side Extension – 1 Half Acre	Granted

10/27B **Matters for the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 13th July at 7.00 pm in Parish Office**
Matters relating to the above minutes.

Meeting closed at 8.37 pm