

# Portbury Parish Council

## MINUTES

**Minutes of the meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010**  
**Village Hall, High Street, Portbury**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Cllr Weeks Cllr Young Cllr Tarr Cllr Marshall

**Chairman:** Cllr Cooke

**Clerk:** Minutes taken by Sara Thompson

**Others:** Mandy Bishop – NSC (arrived at 19.37)  
 Roy Ball – Neighbourhood Watch  
 Brian Weekes  
 PC Jenny Clark

Two members of the public

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Apologies received from Cllr Summerfield, Cllr Meek and Haydn John

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PC/12/01	<b>Minutes</b> of November's meeting held 02.11.10 signed as a true record of proceedings.  Proposed: Cllr Marshall                      Seconded: Cllr Young                      All in favour																																									
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<p><b>PC/12/03</b></p>	<p><b>Crime and Disorder</b></p> <p><b>(a)</b> PC Clark reported that no crimes were registered within the parish during the month of November.</p> <p><b>(b)</b> A PACT meeting had been held 06.12.10, unfortunately no resident had attended. PC Clark suggested that if this happens again at the next meeting, future meetings will be cancelled.</p> <p><b>(c)</b> Cllr Young had been approached by a resident who was extremely upset regarding the lack of consideration shown by several horse riders who have been using the motorway footbridge. Firstly, riders are not dismounting to cross which is a H &amp; S concern, and secondly horses are fouling the footpath. If riders were leading their horses across it would be easier for them to at least move the dung to the side of the path. Adam Wood NSC to be contacted re. H &amp; S issues and meantime Cllr Marshall will discuss this subject with a local horsewoman who may be able to assist with the identification of these riders.</p>	<p><b>PBS/VM</b></p>
<p><b>PC/12/04</b></p>	<p><b>Parish Plan and Website</b></p> <p>Hayden John was unable to attend the meeting but had advised that the parish website was being updated on a regular basis. The Parish Plan questionnaire would be available for approval by the Council in January whereupon distribution would take place shortly after.</p>	
<p><b>PC/12/05</b></p>	<p><b>(a) Planning Applications – Granted/Withdrawn/Refused</b></p> <p><b>10/P/1625/F</b> – Kerry Ingredients. Erection of single storey extensions    Granted</p> <p>Before discussion commenced, Cllr Weekes Declared an Interest in respect of applications 10/P/1937F and 10/P/2047/F.</p> <p><b>10/P/1889/F</b> – Land to rear of Priory Croft. Erection of new barn for storage and livestock  This Application appears to be a re-submission of a previous time lapsed application 07/P/1272 which received approval from NSC. PPC commented at that time and expressed concerns on the overall size of the proposed barn for the land that it was supporting, estimated at approximately 11 acres.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>

	<p>PPC's concerns remain; Overall size, Impact on Green Belt, Supportive agricultural usage</p> <p>At 30m long and 18m wide this is not an insignificant building. Standing on its own within a green field site, its size will inevitably influence the visual amenity and openness of the Green Belt. PPC feel that an agricultural business and holding should be sufficient in size to support the need for the said building.</p> <p>This Application 10/P/1889 seeks to renew the approval on the same land ownership basis as 07/P/1272. However, PPC have concerns on the land use, as it appears that approximately half of it is rented to the adjacent land owner at Paddock Lakes and was recently used to support application 10/P/1680PDA for the construction of yet another barn. Furthermore, it would appear from advertising literature 'Rightmove-Birch Cottage' that a proportion of the acreage is up for sale in 3 lots, effectively reducing the supporting land holding and agricultural need. (The current sale does not appear to include the application site).</p> <p>To conclude Is this land rented, as utilised by planning application 10/P/1680/PDA, or does it form part of the acreage in support of this application 10/P/1889/F for proof of an agricultural need. With diminishing acreage due to the sale, PPC would argue that the agricultural need is weak and not proven.</p> <p>If the above land cannot be considered as supporting evidence then the remainder of the land ownership amounts to approximately 6 acres and is in PPC's opinion totally inadequate to justify this massive barn. PPC therefore recommend REFUSAL of this application.</p> <p><b>10/P/1929/F</b> – 49 Moor Gate. Erection of rear conservatory – no objection</p> <p><b>10/P/1937/F</b> – 27 Caswell Lane. Variation of condition 3 to application 10/P/024/F – no objection</p> <p><b>10/P/2047/F</b> – 25 Caswell Lane. Erection of a two storey side extension – no objection</p> <p><b>(b) Core Strategy</b> Cllr Weekes advised the Council that, at this point in time, there is no need to respond to the pre-consultation. The Council have previously made comment and will have the opportunity to do so again the in the new year. It was agreed by Councillors that no reply would be made – all in favour.</p>	<p><b>ldox</b></p> <p><b>ldox</b></p> <p><b>ldox</b></p> <p><b>ldox</b></p>
<p><b>PC/12/06</b></p>	<p><b>Parish Coordinator/Task Monitor</b> Cllr Tarr and PBS still to review/update the 'task monitor'</p>	<p><b>ST/ PBS</b></p>
<p><b>PC/12/07</b></p>	<p><b>Correspondence Summary</b> NSC – Development Workshop 08.12.10 BPC – Minutes of meeting held 13.10.10</p>	<p><b>Noted Noted</b></p>



	(b) Cllr Marshall confirmed that there would be a band concert at the church 16.12.10.	
<b>PC/12/11</b>	<b>AOB</b> Christmas arrangements – Cllr Cooke confirmed that a table had been reserved at the Priory Inn on 15.11.10 at 7.30pm. Brian Weekes also advised that the two Christmas trees would be erected over the forthcoming weekend.	
<b>PC/12/12</b>	<b>Date and time of next meeting – 11th January 2011 at 7.30pm</b>	

**Meeting finished at 9.00pm**  
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