

Portbury Parish Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held 5th April 2011
Village Hall, High Street, Portbury

Present:

Councillors: Cllr Young Cllr Cooke Cllr Weeks Cllr Marshall

Chairman: Cllr Summerfield

Clerk: Cllr Meek (arrived at 7.35pm) (Minutes taken by Sara Thompson)

Others: Mandy Bishop - NSC
 Roy Ball – Neighbourhood Watch
 Brian Weekes
 Two members of the public
 PCSO Graham Roberts (left at 7.55pm)
 Sharon Worthy – Playscheme coordinator (left at 8.17pm)

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Apologies received from Cllr Tarr, Mr John and PC Clarke

No	Item	Action																																								
PC/04/01	Minutes March's meeting held 1.03.11 signed as a true record of proceedings. Proposed: Cllr Weeks Seconded: Cllr Cooke All in favour																																									
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	<p>Cllr Weeks requested further clarification of additional professional costs (£130 net) incurred by PBS for the Portbury Village Hall donation. It was briefly explained that a quorate vote of the Councillors able to participate was obtained verbally by telephone and PBS was instructed by the chairman to proceed. No further questions or comments were voiced by Councillors or members of the public.</p>	
PC/04/03	<p>Crime and Disorder</p> <p>(a) PCSO Graham Roberts updated the Council with regard to March's crime incidents;</p> <p>a. Copper cabling had been stolen from the Wessex Water Pumping Station, Sheepway b. Drain grills/manhole covers had been stolen from numerous locations within the area c. Poachers had been active within local nature reserves; a suspect had been warned d. Damage to a chain fence in Caswell Lane e. Illegal use of motorcycles on foot and bridle paths – two culprits had been identified and issued with a Section 59 notice; if they are caught again, their bikes will be seized and crushed; it is hoped that this will act as a deterrent to them and others.</p> <p>(b) The Council is particularly concerned about the number of 'metal' thefts. Stealing manhole covers, grills etc could endanger the well being of motorists and pedestrians alike, and it is felt that government/police should clamp down on scrap metal merchants who are purchasing items which are obviously from a dubious source.</p> <p>(c) Fly Tipping – Sheepway (agenda item 8) A large amount of rubbish is being fly tipped over Tarr Bridge, Sheepway, landing on the disused railway and, due to the embankment being heavily overgrown, it is proving difficult to remove. PCSO Roberts has identified the source of some of the rubbish and is currently dealing with the matter.</p> <p>Mandy Bishop will liaise with Adam Wood NSC regarding the possibility of a maintenance team clearing the site and consider what actions can be taken to deter future incidents.</p>	MB
PC/04/04	<p>Parish Plan and Website</p> <p>Website is being regularly updated</p>	
PC/04/05	<p>(a) Planning Applications Withdrawn/Granted/Refused</p> <p>11/P/0258/NMA – NMA to 10/P/0970/F Kerry Ingredients Refused</p> <p>10/P/1728/F – Oakham Farm. Erection of extension & additional parking Granted</p> <p>Batsford 11/P/0324/F - Single storey side extension, demolition of existing conservatory</p> <p>The property appears to have had extensive development since 1985, however no record can be found that ratifies the conservatory in planning terms. Should the conservatory not be recognised as an integral part of the existing building, then its removal cannot justify further development above the 50% guideline within the time period. If the Conservatory does benefit from planning consent it is PPC understanding that demolition and rebuild is classified as additional build within planning law.</p> <p>The proposed raised roof line does visually increase the structure mass, has the potential to increase floor space, and therefore does have an impact on the green belt.</p> <p>The Council recommend refusal</p>	Noted Noted

	<p><u>Fennel Road 11/P/0396/F</u> Rear and side extension</p> <p>On the grounds that the extension takes up less than 50% of the garden. A good 2/3rds of the proposal appears to have planning permission, with this application being an amendment. As the property is three storeys then we would estimate that this application does not exceed 50% in overall floor space. – no objection</p> <p><u>The Priory 11/P/0408/ADV and 11/P/0410/LB</u> Illuminated Sign</p> <p>No objection</p> <p><u>41 Redpoll Drive 11/P/0289</u> Erection on ball-top railings (1m high) to front and side of property</p> <p>No objection</p> <p><u>Horse Race Bungalow 11/P/0307/F</u> - Construction of vehicle track to provide access to bungalow and farm (Cllr Young declared an interest)</p> <p>No objection</p> <p>The above recommendations to be registered with NSC</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Weekes Seconded: Cllr Meek All in favour</p> <p>b) CPRE – A recent meeting was held with Georgie Biggs of CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England) which allowed members of the Council to share their concerns regarding the increasing number of ‘structures’ being erected on land within the Green Belt, some of which appear to contravene planning regulations but are allowed to remain. PPC question the planning judgements and the effectiveness of NSC Enforcement Department.</p>	PBS
PC/04/06	<p>Parish Coordinator/Task Monitor</p> <p>a) Task monitor to be updated before PPC’s May meeting</p>	PBS/ ST
PC/04/07	<p>Correspondence Summary</p> <p>CPRE – Avonside village of the year competition</p>	Noted
PC/04/08	<p>Maintenance</p> <p>(See item PC/04/03 ref flytipping).</p>	
PC/04/09	<p>Transport and Traffic</p> <p>Nil</p>	
PC/04/10	<p>St Mary’s School and Church</p> <p>Cllr Marshal informed us that Mrs Lawson was no longer Church Warden and this post has been filled by Mrs Jo Hawker.</p>	

PC/04/11	AOB Nil	
PC/04/12	Date and time of next meeting – 3 rd May 2011 at 7.30pm Annual Residents' Meeting – 14 th April 2011 at 7.30pm	

Meeting finished at 9.37pm
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