

# **OAKE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Oake Parish Council meeting held at the Oake and District Hall,  
on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 7.00pm**

## **1. PRESENT**

Councillors: A Dyke (Chairman), Mrs F Dunn, C Bishop, J Sharland, I McMath, Mrs S Woodbury & D Roots. In attendance: Jill Loader (Clerk) & 1 member of the public.

## **2. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME - None.**

## **3. APOLOGIES**

PC Adrian Hooper, PCSO Sharon Cridlin & SC Cllr J Hunt

## **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr C Bishop declared an interest in all planning issues stating that if he says anything in respect of planning issues he reserves the right to alter that opinion when the application is put to the planning committee and the full facts are available. Cllr Bishop also declared an interest regarding the Hall News contribution.

## **5. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 were circulated and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.

## **6. MATTERS ARISING**

- a) It was agreed to contact Rights of Way regarding the gate that has been installed between Altona Park and Knapp Farm footpath, as it isn't attached to any fencing.
- b) It was agreed that Ian McMath would remove the noticeboard by the school as soon as possible, as the school no longer wanted to refurbish/use it.
- c) Hedge by bus stop at Hillcommon – this was now blocked by sand bags which had reduced the water flow onto the road, caused by the electricity board's recent works.
- d) It was agreed to contact Highway's Martin Stone to highlight the flooding areas on the Hillfarrance road and ask for signs.
- e) Green at Hillfarrance – the clerk had managed to find documents showing the green had been signed over to the Parish Council from SCC in 1984, although this land had not been registered at Land Registry.

## **7. MATTERS OF REPORT**

### **a) Police Report**

**Crime Report – GT021 – Oake, Bradford On Tone, Nynehead, Hillfarrance  
& Langford Budville - 01/01/14 – 31/01/14**

### Crimes Reported

1 x Theft Red Diesel – Nynehead Fruit farm, repeat victim. Ongoing assistance with security and increased mobile rural patrols.

1 x Theft – Hele – Removal of gate to property and stole said gate

1 x Theft of electric fencing power box – Runnington – Enquiries on-going. Named suspect.

1 x Assault

Criminal Damage – The Triangle – Langford Budville – Unknown person drove onto the land and caused substantial damage, using it as a race track. Enquiries ongoing.

## Other calls/incidents

8 x Traffic Offences – mainly caused by flooding / storms / fallen trees / mud on road  
1 x Traffic Offence – Abandoned moped – Nynehead area – Registered Keeper Enquiries on-going  
1 x Welfare – Male walking on the B3227 in dark clothing, shouting, possibly intoxicated. Area tour no trace.  
1 x Road Traffic Collision – Hillcommon / Heathfield  
1 x Suspicious vehicle – Nynehead – Extensive enquiries made, located owner of vehicle. Words of advice given. Intelligence submitted.  
2 x Animal related –  
Nynehead – Dog incident  
Langford Budville – Loose Horses  
1 x Harassment / Threat - Poole

## Other Work

High Visibility patrol regarding rural thefts

Internet safety session with Yrs 3&4 and 5&6 students at Oake and Nynehead Primary School. Further after school session with parents regarding safety education on the internet. School patrol, monitoring parking in Oake.

Bradford on Tone Coffee morning attended, together with Cream Tea afternoon to celebrate 100 years of their hall.

Chipleigh Point to Point attended. Horsecatch information given out regarding security at yards, stables etc, including security for tack and accessories.

Beat posters and surgery posters printed and delivered to PCs for display on noticeboards.

Sharon Cridlin PCSO 9511  
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As always please be vigilant and report any suspicious activity/persons through the 101 number .  
Crimestoppers 0800 555 111.

**b) Shop management committee update – nothing to report.**

### **c) Village Hall Committee**

Cllr C Bishop reported the existing cleaner had been quite ill and a replacement cleaner had been recruited very recently. The school would continue to support the village fete as a joint effort.

## **8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

**a) Noticeboard by Shop** – Tracy Daly had reported that her carpenter would make two new oak noticeboards by the end of March. It was agreed to accept her kind and generous offer. The PC would be liable for any out of pocket expenses not exceeding £200. Clerk to confirm details to Tracy Daly.

**b) Affordable Housing Survey - Circulation Issues** – after discussion it was agreed to ask the editor and distributor of the Hall News to help circulate the Surveys with the Spring Hall News. SAE for return surveys was the best option to the Community Council for Somerset. A donation of £25 towards printing costs was agreed for the Hall News. Clerk to put article/notice into both village publications for information.

## **9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

a) Application 27/14/0001 – erection of porch to the side and replacement of detached garage at Watermans House, Hillfarrance. The Councillors voted to support this application.

**10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – DECISIONS – None**

**11. a) FINANCE**

**Payments**

Clerks Salary (January) £281.03

Clerks expenses (January) £ 30.00

The above payments were approved by the Parish Council.

**b) Income Received** – £12.27 (cash from QDJ bookmarks) Bank interest 22p

**c) Budget Update** - The clerk had issued the latest financial position versus budget. The council were still within budget by approx. 20% with March 2014 remaining.

**d) NS&I Account**– it was agreed the mandate form be signed to change the correspondence address to the new clerk.

**e) Financial Regulations – updated** – the clerk had issued new Financial Regulations which included the PAYE and RTI regulations. These were approved and adopted.

**12. CORRESPONDENCE FOR CIRCULATION & OTHER MATTERS**

a) David Grieg the Parish Liaison Officer would be retiring in April.

b) TDBC are proposing to increase their budget by 1.9%.

c) The PC nominated a local person for the Taunton Deane Citizenship Awards 2014. Clerk to complete nomination form by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Date of the next meeting: Thursday 13th March 2014.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Date \_\_\_\_\_