

ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of 2nd March 2011

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| Present: Mr. Ken Monk | Chairman |
| Mr. Stan Bagwell. Mr Martin Webb. Mr. Norman Beardsley | Parish Councillors |
| Mrs Jane Young, Mr. Michael Fay. Mr Adrian Orr | |
| PC Michael Bayliss | Wiltshire Police |
| Cllr Charles Howard | County Council |
| Lt Col (Retd.) Nigel Linge | Army Liaison |

Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

11/16 Apologies: There were apologies from Cllr Mrs. Tessa Manser, Cllr. David Carter and Bill Vergette (Secretary)

11/17 Public Question Time. No members of the public present.

11/18 Verify Minutes of meeting on 26th January 2011: Proposed a true record Cllr. Bagwell, seconded Cllr. Fay, and passed.

11/19 Declarations of Interest: None.

11/20 Matters Arising. Cllr Orr asked about a grit bin for Chisenbury, Chairman replied that Cllr Bagwell was “working on it”

11/21 Police Matters: PC Bayliss. Normal minor crime of hare coursing etc. A major theft of heating oil (1500ltr) had occurred recently. Cllr Beardsley asked if there was any further news on the reported car stolen and abandoned on 28th February on the footpath near the bridge at Coombe. Chairman remarked that the car in question had “disappeared” in a very short space of time but it was known to be registered in Bulford. Shed break-in at Fifield but nothing stolen. Chairman thanked PC Bayliss for his time.

11/22 Neighbourhood Watch - Cllr Monk said that Mr Steve Becker is restarting the **Neighbourhood Watch Scheme** for Enford. The details are in the March 2011 Enford Newsletter.

11/23 Army Matters. Lt Col (Retd.) Nigel Linge asked if Enford Council could email him prior to their Meeting on any queries they wish to raise. He went on to say that the Army Training Estate is in the middle of major restructuring. SPTA had already subsumed Bovington Ranges and would shortly be responsible for all South West ranges and training areas. He said that the SPTA Newsletter was now in a new format and would be confined to 2 pages. Feedback still had Gun Fire as the biggest complaint. He then went into detail on the resolving of outstanding issues and complaints concerning the rights of way of the footpaths, bridleways and byways on the Ranges, in particular Mr Bill Reilly’s complaints. Some were easy to decide and a Free Dedication can be given but the more complicated will take longer. Lt Col Linge asked that a member from the Enford Parish Council go to HQ SPTA Westdown Camp and he would brief him in detail. Cllr Norman Beardsley accepted and would arrange a date.

11/24 Unitary Council Matters – Cllr. Charles Howard hoped that the Council were fully aware of the proposed reconstruction of Enford Bridge. The build would go ahead but any genuine concerns on design or structure should be submitted quickly. Work on the new bridge would start at the beginning of May 2012 with an expected duration of twenty four weeks.

The Recycling programme would be extended to include **Plastic** and **Cardboard** in October. Also, in February 2012 Green Bins would be issued for those Opting In to the Green Bin scheme.

Cllr Howard informed the meeting of his concerns over the lack of Broadband speeds in his area and the affect it was having on Small Businesses in rural communities. He asked who he should liaise with to find out fully what was happening in the Enford area. Cllr Monk informed him to liaise with Mr Steve Becker (670345). Mr Becker had been working hard on the problem and had written to Mrs Claire Perry MP for help.

Cllr Howard said that only 4 grit bins had been allocated for the area. Cllr Bagwell said one had been allocated to Enford and he was seeking a further bin for Chisenbury.

11/25 Planning

- Application Ref: E/11/0114/FUL. Council had no objections to the increase in time limit.
- Application Ref: E/11/0193/FUL. Proposal:-Erection of timber frame garage and log store. Council had no objection to this application

11/26 Finance – Separate sheet

Current account stands at £ 2693.74 - *Separate sheet.*

11/27 General Parish Matters

- **Parish Telephone Directory.** Cllr Bagwell informed the Meeting that a new Parish Telephone Directory was being prepared and proposed that £100 from Parish Council Funds could be given to help printing costs. Seconded by Cllr Young and passed. Cllr Webb asked if the Directory could include email addresses. Council decided that email addresses should be confined to neighbourhood watch.
- **Royal Wedding.** Cllr Bagwell briefed the meeting on his discussions with the Fete Committee on the proposed Royal Wedding Street Party and the closure of the C32. After discussion Cllr Monk reiterated that Enford Parish Council could not be involved in running the event. Cllr Bagwell was asked to seek confirmation if Fete Committee were going ahead with the Street Party. Meanwhile Cllr Jane Young said the Village Hall had been booked for Saturday 30th April for a Children's Royal Wedding Party. She said that the organisation for this event seemed to be stalling and asked if the Parish Council would assist in a Wedding Mug to each child. This was agreed subject to cost and interest. Notice of the proposed Village Hall celebration was in the March 2011 Enford Newsletter. Chairman stressed the fact that Parish Council were not involved in the organisation of this event.
- **Playpark:** Cllr Webb informed the meeting that a meeting is planned on 8th March with representatives of Salisbury Young Offenders Team Community Reparations Group. They would like to view the playpark to estimate the work involved. Cllrs Monk and Bagwell agreed to attend this meeting. Cllr Webb will inform them of meeting details.
- **Parish Hall:** Cllr Young said there was no Committee Meeting on Tuesday 1 March 2011 and had nothing to report.
- **Village Hall:** Cllr. Monk said he had received an email from the Chairman thanking the Parish Council for the £900 donation from the Precept. Cllr Orr said he had attended the Village Hall Committee Meeting on 28th February 2011. He told the Village Hall Committee that the £900 Precept donation would be reviewed on an annual basis. He said also that the Enford Village Bank Account was worth £7470 with £20000 Investments. Village Hall Chairman stated that in future the Village Hall Financial statement would be posted on the Enford website. The post of Deputy Chairman and Booking Officer were still vacant and a request for volunteers would be published in the next Newsletter. Cllr Webb said that the Chairman of the Village Hall had received donations from the Fete Committee but she was concerned in the way the Enford Community Fund was operating.
- **Highways:** Cllr Bagwell said that the A345 surface appears to have withstood the ravages of the winter. He said that on August 20th the Enford Community Speed Watch will have been operating for 3 years. Some vehicles are ignoring Speedwatch operators and continue to exceed the speed limit.
Drivers are aware that Police and enforcement equipment have been removed from many rural highways. A resident reported a vehicle being driven dangerously to the Wiltshire Police at Tidworth, who established the vehicle was registered in the Greater Manchester Area. Because of current regulations no further action was taken. Cllr. Bagwell thanked CSPO Phillippa Royston for trying and take this matter forward. The non co-operation of County Police Forces will be an item at the next PCAP meeting and also at the Community Speed Watch meeting which will take place in Devizes this coming April.
Cllr Bagwell reported that on Wed 2nd Feb 2011, Mr. Richard Lewis (Wiltshire Highways) was shown the state of road signs in the parish by Ken Monk, Norman Beardsley and himself. Mr Lewis said he and Mark Stansby at Trowbridge would be in touch after April 2011 when the new Highways budget for signs would be set.
The grit bin for the middle of Water Lane has been sited and filled with Salt/grit.
Wiltshire Council intend to close Enford Hill in May 2012 whilst the old bridge is removed and a new bridge is fitted. The work will last for approximately 24 weeks. During the closure a footbridge will be installed for foot traffic. The C32 will be used for diverted traffic.
- **Rights of Way:** Cllr. Beardsley said that the Great Stones Way was progressing and that there was a planned walk along the final 14kms from Casterley Camp to Stonehenge on Saturday 26th March. We have been asked for the toilets in the Village Hall to be made available. Cllr Orr to arrange.

11/28 **Correspondence** None not already passed to councillors.

11/29 **Any Other Business.** None

11/30 **Date of next meeting:** The Next Meeting has been brought forward due to the non availability of the Chairman and Deputy to Wednesday 30th March 2011 at 7.30 p.m. It was agreed that the new date needed to be broadcast to the Parish. The Enford Community Fund will be asked to attend.

Ken Monk,

Chairman, **Enford Parish Council.**

Wednesday 2nd March 2011