

ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of 9th November 2011

Present: Mr. Ken Monk	Chairman
Mr Adrian Orr	Vice-Chairman
Mr. Stan Bagwell. Mr Martin Webb. Mr. Norman Beardsley	
Mrs. Tessa Manser, Mrs Jane Young, Mr. Michael Fay,	Parish Councillors
Col (Retd.) Nigel Linge	Army Liaison
Cllr Charles Howard	Wiltshire Council
Pc Michael Bayliss	Wiltshire Police
Mr. Bill Vergette	Clerk to the Council

Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30 p.m. NB item 11/118 preceded 11/116 with Col. Linge and PC Bayliss' accord, as Charles Howard had a further meeting to attend.

11/111 Apologies: There were apologies from Mr. Norman Beardsley.

11/112 Public Question Time. No members of the public were present.

11/113 Verify Minutes of meeting on 28th September 2011: Proposed a true record Cllr. Fay, seconded Cllr. Bagwell, and passed.

11/114 Declarations of Interest: None.

11/115 Matters Arising None

11/116 Army Matters. Col. Linge said that the re-organisation was continuing and that training was proceeding well. The main issue at the moment was Rights of Way. Over 200 signpost waymarks had been erected and several organisations who used the Plain had expressed their appreciation. There was still much work to be done on the Great Stones Way, with the southern part moving ahead but problems in other areas. Col. Linge said he did not anticipate great problems with numbers of walkers although estimated quotes had been high. He had briefed Wiltshire Bridleway association on all these matters and was applauded when he finished (sic). Cllr. Bagwell, on behalf of Cllr. Beardsley, asked if the planning applications just received concerning ISO containers would affect Rights of Way. Col. Linge said no and explained the purpose and probable life of these items. There being no further questions for Nigel the Chairman thanked him for attending.

11/117 Police Matters: PC Bayliss asked if there had been any problems in the villages with fireworks but council had not received any such reports. Michael related a distressing tale of road rage concerning an elderly couple being tailgated as they approached Enford. The driver pulled over to allow the vehicle past but the other car pulled up in front of them. Two youths then got out and walked round the elderly couple's car causing them anxiety, they then got back in their own car and drove off. PC Bayliss said that a similar incident had occurred in the Collingbourn Ducis area the previous week. Cllr. Bagwell asked if there was any point in reporting the attempted theft of metal finger posts on 101 bearing in mind the lack of prosecutions for similar minor offences. PC Bayliss replied that an attempted crime was perhaps not as important as an actual theft, but if something was stolen and not reported, and police later found stolen goods, there would be no paper trail. So, yes, reporting did matter even if the likelihood of conviction was thought to be small. Chairman thanked Michael for attending.

11/118 Unitary Council Matters – Cllr. Charles Howard attended a Wiltshire Council meeting where the senior management changes were decided. The changes involve the deletion of the Chief Executive post and the reduction of the number of corporate directors from four to three. Mark Boden's position was the one to go. Mark had been Chief Executive of Kennet District Council until the formation of Wiltshire Council in 2009. These changes are expected to save Council over £400,000 per annum. Cllr. Howard said that, looking ahead to the winter months, Wiltshire Council is well prepared to do everything possible to keep designated roads open in bad weather. New and improved salt spreading vehicles have been bought, and the Council has accumulated over 14,000 tons of salt across the county including in three new

under cover storage depots. Wiltshire Council is providing a salt spreader for Enford, but Charles noted that this was still the property of Wiltshire Council.

The next meeting of Tidworth Area board will be on Monday 21st November at Phoenix Hall. The agenda includes a presentation by Help for Heroes about the Army personnel recovery and assessment centre at Tedworth House.

During this week a random selection of 25,000 Wiltshire residents will receive a "What Matters To You?" survey about topics that affect life in their area. The results will be analysed and published next January. Information gained will be used by Council and its partners in the NHS, Fire and Rescue and Police to develop policies. Copies of the survey will be available from Wiltshire Council, libraries and leisure centres. Chairman thanked Charles for his time.

11/119 Neighbourhood Watch - Mr. Steve Becker did not attend.

11/120 Tidworth CAP – Mr. Tony Pickernell did not attend

11/121 Planning

- Application Ref: E12011/1416ITCA. Application for Work to Trees in a Cons Area. Proposal:-Works to trees at the property to consist of the felling of conifer to ground level, the crown reduction of a willow by 40% and the crown cleaning of a beech with crown raising to 3 metres. At: Longacre Enford Pewsey Wiltshire SN9 6DH
 - Application Ref: E/2011/1454ITCA. Application for Work to Trees in a Conservation Area Proposal:-Fell Leyland Cypress (T1) Minor crown raise and remove six low branches on Silver Birch (T2) At: River Cottage Long Street Enford Pewsey SN9 6DD
 - Application Ref: E/2011/1457/FUL. Application for Full Planning Proposal:-Placing of 2 no. ISO containers and erection of surrounding hoarding 2.4 metres in height, to create 1 no. civilian population compound At: Bake Barn Salisbury Plain Training Area Near Everleigh Wilts
 - Application Ref: E/2011/1453/FUL. Application for Full Planning Proposal:-Placing of 2 no. ISO containers and erection of surrounding hoarding 2.4 metres in height, to create 1 no. civilian population compound At: Lavington Folly Salisbury Plain Training Area Near Warminster Wiltshire
 - Application Ref: E/2011/1460/FUL. Application for Full Planning Proposal:-Placing of 8 no. ISO containers and erection of surrounding hoarding 2.4 metres in height, to create 4 no. civilian population compounds At: Baden Down Farm Salisbury Plain Training Area Near Everleigh Wiltshire
- Council discussed all the above applications and noted the comments given by Col. Linge earlier concerning the Army applications. It was then decided that Council had no comment to make on any of these applications. Clerk to action.

11/122 Finance – *Separate sheet*

- Current account stands at £4254.70 - *Separate sheet*.
- Precept 2012/13 will be discussed at the next meeting. Chairman and Vice-Chairman will prepare the ground with Clerk. Agenda item next meeting.

11/123 General Parish Matters

- **Playpark:** Cllr. Webb said that he, Stan, Ken and Norman had worked on the Playpark and addressed all the points raised by RoSPA in their current report. He thanked the other councillors for their assistance and also mentioned the fact that the grass had been cut and was looking very neat, thanks to James and Stephanie. Martin said the only other concern was the litter bin which was full to overflowing. Wiltshire Council will not service this bin and it falls to Enford Council to find a solution. To this end Clerk was authorised to purchase some orange litter bags which can be put out for collection with personal bins.
- **New Bus Shelter:** Cllr. Webb had nothing to report. Cllr. Bagwell said he had repairs to the nearby bench underway.
- **Parish Hall:** Cllr. Young had nothing to report.
- **Village Hall:** Councillor Orr said he had attended a meeting on 18th October. Steve Becker had accepted a nomination as Deputy Chairman,. But there was still doubt over the treasurer/secretary position. Concerns were raised over the future of the football club. Adrian said that Enford FC had not received a copy of the FA inspection document.

Cllr. Orr said that he had the application form for grant funding for the Jubilee celebrations, saying he wished to present this by the end of the month. Adrian went on to describe the events to be funded including the Children's Tea Party, the Hog Roast and Children's entertainment. Various sources of income were mooted and it was agreed that Council would look favourably on a request to contribute to any shortfall. Further details will be made available.

- **Community Garden:** Chairman said that the Gardening Club had asked for an article in the Newsletter asking for volunteers to help with the Community Garden.
- **Highways:** Cllr. Bagwell reported: On the 14th August 2011 we wrote to Claire Perry MP, regarding our submission on the A345 to the Department for Transport Consultation and that we would like to know of any outcome. Claire Perry said she would investigate the matter with Mike Penning, the PUS at the Department for Transport. In return we received a letter from Claire Perry with an attached letter from Mike Penning. This letter made no reference to the A345. There were several mentions of the A338 and A346 Primary Routes but nothing about the A345. We emailed Mike Penning and asked him to explain. We have since had a letter from Claire Perry stating that she is also upset by this is again writing to Mike Penning .
Ken Monk and myself met with Graham Axtell of Wiltshire Council Highways. We discussed the intended repairs to the road surface and suggested that these repairs could be brought forward due to the replacement of the river Avon bridge and the road closure of Enford Hill next year. New signs will be necessary at the junctions of Enford Hill/Long Street and Water Lane/Long Street, including "Stop" or "Give Way". These areas are where the Children congregate to catch the School Bus.
We are endeavouring to get the C32 included in the Tidworth Area Board Assessment Programme. Only two roads per year will be assessed, and this process will take many years to complete. We are also campaigning for East Chisenbury and Enford 30mph Zones to be included in Wiltshire Councils 20mph Pilot Schemes that are now taking place in the North of the County.
We have carried out a survey of tank crossings on the A345 and the C32, and since sent an email to Col. Linge detailing missing white lines, signs and other problems. Nigel said he would pass this on to the MOD Highways Department.
The Finger post sign at the junction of Enford Hill and Long Street was targeted again but the thieves were disturbed as detailed earlier. The posts have now been repositioned.
I have managed to order another I ton bag of salt for Enford, it will come with a free of charge spreader. Some salt is still left from last year so we should have plenty this winter.
I attended Pewsey Area Board Meeting. and challenged Wiltshire Councillor Dick Tonge Portfolio Councillor for Highways. on the 20mph Pilot Schemes in the North of the County and also the lack of Speed Cameras to fully support the Community Speed Watch Scheme across Wiltshire.
Cllr. Webb noted that grids were blocked by leaves on the A345. Chairman said he would report this to Parish Steward if Martin gave him the location.
- **Rights of Way:** Cllr. Beardsley was not present. Cllr. Bagwell had made comments on planning for him.

11/124 Correspondence

- Further details for planning sent by e-mail but too comprehensive and long-winded to print out.
- Enquiry about allotments – Mr. K P Southall had enquired about an allotment following his retirement from military service. Clerk will investigate availability.

11/125 Any Other Business.

- Request for funding by Church for new mower. Chairman said that he had been approached by Henry Middleton to see if Council could contribute to the purchase of a John Deere ride-on mower. Discussion followed but no decision could be made under AOB and it was decided to make this an agenda item next meeting.

11/126 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 14th December 2011.

Bill Vergette, Clerk to Enford Parish Council.

Wednesday 9th November 2011