

Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on Thursday, 30th May 2002 at 7pm in the St Mary at Clymping Church Hall, Clymping.

PRESENT: Cllr James Baird in the Chair, Cllrs Mrs B Edge, M Craine and J Sennitt and Messrs G Beagley, D Biss, and L Forster. The Clerk, Cllr Mrs Oakley (Arun DC) and seven members of the public were also present. Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Freeman.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting read by the Clerk and signed as a correct record.

2. ANNUAL REPORT

Cllr Baird said that the parish had seen a dramatic change in the past year with a significant increase in new residents but that the transition had gone fairly smoothly. What was currently missing was adequate infrastructure but hopefully this will have improved by the time of the next Annual Meeting. With the increase in population there was now greater attendance at parish meetings and a greater interest in parish affairs. The path from the caravan park towards Tesco's was a major development that had taken place in the last year and one that the parish had been pressing for for some time. The possibility of a play area had also moved forward following a well attended public meeting. Cllr Baird also reported on the resignation of John Baird after 35 years on the parish council and of Cllrs Claire Baird and Julia Shorrocks. In conclusion Cllr Baird thanked the Councillors for their input over the last twelve months.

3. ACCOUNTS

The Clerk presented the statement of account without comment from the public.

4. REPORTS

(a) Schools

The Clerk read a note from Claire Baird saying that there were 94 children at the School of which 12 were from the parish although numbers were increasing as families moved into the new houses. An OFSTED inspection of the school had been very encouraging and the School is working to implement the suggestions in the report. An outdoor adventure trail and chessboard had been completed and work started on an amphitheatre and environmental garden. It is hoped that work will start on a library when monies are received from the next phase of development.

(b) Arun DC

Cllr Mrs Oakley reported that she felt her and Cllr Wotherspoon always tried to represent the views of the Council whenever matters of concern to the parish arose. Local government was going through a fairly traumatic time and she expressed concern about the implications of the possibility of regional government and its implications for local decision making. While there was often a conflict between local residents and District/County needs at least under the present system the broad outlines are determined by those elected by local people and by those who are themselves resident in the locality. Arun puts particular emphasis on consultation with local people and is aware of the many serious problems in the area including crime and vandalism, traffic problems, affordable housing and the need for recreational facilities. In concluding Cllr Mrs Oakley said that she and Cllr Wotherspoon would continue to do all they could to represent the views of Clymping and to support Cllr Freeman who is working so hard to represent Clymping on West Sussex matters.

(c) West Sussex CC

Cllr Mrs Freeman was not present to make a report but it was agreed that she worked hard on behalf of the parish to convey its feelings on county issues to the County Council.

5. COMMENTS OF THE PUBLIC

There were comments on the need for the footpath to Tesco's to continue further than it did at the moment. Cllr Forster said he was to discuss this matter at County level next week.

There being no further business the meeting then closed.

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	<p>now a firm proposal to site the area north of the Village Hall. It was agreed that Cllrs Mrs Sennitt and Craine should lead a group of villagers raised through publicity in the newsletter in actually organising and planning what was needed.</p> <p>(c) Jubilee Celebrations It was reported that matters were progressing well but that additional short-term funds would be needed. It was agreed to pay to the organisers £1000 of which £300 came from WSCC and that an estimated £200 would be returned as a result of monies made.</p> <p>(d) Ford Prison It was agreed to write to the Governor inviting him to the next meeting of the parish council to discuss the last years Annual Report of the Board of Visitors and how the prison was currently performing.</p> <p>(e) Question and Answer Session It was agreed to write to Arun DC saying that better publicity was needed in connection with these events.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
09/02	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>(a) Payment of Accounts It was agreed to pay: P Bilbrough (salary/expenses) £620.00 C Shears (jubilee party) £1000.00</p> <p>(b) Bank Account Details It was agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the new cheque signatories be Cllrs James Baird, Jude Sennitt and Marilyn Craine • That Natwest Bank be the bank account holders for the Parish Council and that they are authorised to pay cheques or accept written instructions to make payments by any means from any of the Council's accounts when signed by any two signatories 	Clerk
10/02	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>(a) Planning Lists 17-21 CM5/02A – Advertising Sign Members had no comments to make on this application.</p> <p>(b) Announcement of Planning List contents The Chairman agreed that at the open part of the meeting those present would be told about what plans were to be discussed later in the meeting.</p> <p>(c) Regional Government Meeting The Clerk reported that a meeting about the implication of Regional Government was to be hosted by Arun DC on 3 July and it was agreed that Cllr Forster would be the parish nominee.</p> <p>(d) Liaison with neighbouring councils over planning applications It was agreed to write to the Clerks of Ford and Yapton asking to set up some</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk/ Forster</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	sort of liaison over planning applications in one parish which may have a significant impact in another and at the same time to ask Yapton about what they saw as the impact of traffic flows and speeds along Yapton Road.	
11/02	<p>HIGHWAYS</p> <p>(a) Bus Shelter Provision The Clerk read a letter from Arun DC about the lack of shelter provision in the parish and it was agreed to ask the council to clarify the section 106 arrangements to which they referred.</p> <p>(b) Condition of Trees It was agreed to write to the Mulgrave Estate agents about two trees in the Yapton Road copse which have had the bark stripped from them and which are therefore in danger of dying.</p> <p>(c) Halcrow Study on A27 This was noted by members who agreed to consider its implications when plans were discussed in more specific detail.</p> <p>(d) Oystercatcher Junction An email from Cllr Dickeson (Ford) saying that his comments on the junction were in his capacity as Downland Area member and not Ford councillor was noted.</p> <p>(e) Various Highway matters The Clerk read a letter from WSCC on the following issues and the following decisions were taken thereon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clymping Park/Ferry Road junctions – the works were to be questioned in the light of the fact that a survey was due to be undertaken on this whole problem. • Horsemere Green Lane junction – members agreed to wait on further investigations by WSCC. • Proliferation of signing – an undertaking to investigate this was noted. • Speed limit on Yapton Road – In response to WSCC saying that the road did not qualify for a 40MPH limit because of the lack of accesses onto the road it was agreed to point out that such criteria were not cast in stone and the fact that there was a dangerous S bend, often taken too fast, with one access serving several properties actually on that bend made this a suitable location for a different standard to apply. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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Dated	11 JULY 2002	
Signed By Chairman		