

RANGEWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE MEMORIAL HALL AT 7:45PM ON TUESDAY 4th JANUARY 2011

Those Present

Councillors: Mr G R Dawe (Chairman) Miss W Moody Mr D Somers
Mr B R Miller (Clerk)

Mr Howard Gawler – South Gloucestershire Councillor

No members of the public

Public Question Time

No members of the public present.

The formal meeting of the Council then commenced as follows:-

Action

1	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>	
01.01.11	Mr M Ellery Cllr. Mr K Livall.	
2	<u>Declarations of Interest Relating to Agenda Items</u>	
02.01.11	None.	
3	<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>	
03.01.11	The Minutes of the last meeting, held on the 7 th December, were approved and signed by the Chairman.	
4	<u>Matters Concerning South Gloucestershire Councillor, Mr Howard Gawler</u>	
	Cllr. Mr Gawler raised the following three issues:-	
04.01.11	The results from the South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) speed recorder at Bagstone for September and October were provided for perusal. (C)	
05.01.11	The Manor Road footpath link to North Road is nearing completion. The bad weather had slowed down progress, but the quality of the finished work is very good. The Chairman agreed with these comments and was pleased to note that this second phase had been done with minimal disruption to traffic.	
06.11.11	SGC are currently preparing their budget for the next financial year, following a greater than expected reduction in Central Government grants. Noted.	
07.01.11	Cllr. Mr Somers noted that the present “the eighties” bus service appears to be little used. He wondered whether the route could be modified to make better use of the service. Cllr. Mr Gawler suggested that the future of such services will be under review once the budget settlement is known. Noted.	
08.01.11	The Clerk, speaking on behalf of Cllr. Mr Livall, reported that Mr Willey at “Green Pastures”, New Road, had asked whether road salt could be provided by	

	the bridge near “The Coverts”. Cllr. Mr Gawler agreed to raise the matter with SGC’s Street Care.	HG
5	<u>To Receive the Clerk’s Report</u>	
09.01.11	Matters contained in the Report relating to non specific Agenda items were noted. The following additional information was also noted and resolutions passed to take the appropriate actions. Report items relating to specific Agenda items were considered later under the relevant item, as appropriate.	
10.01.11	<u>Item 8.</u> It was resolved to appoint John Hicks to undertake the Playground inspections.	Clerk
6	<u>Other Matters Arising from the Last Minutes Not Elsewhere on the Agenda</u>	
11.01.1	<u>Minute 10.11.10.</u> The Chairman confirmed that he is still trying to contact Mr Brittan regarding his grass cutting work in the Woodland last summer. Noted.	GRD
7	<u>Planning Matters</u>	
	<u>Decisions</u>	
12.01.11	PT10/2185/F – Barn conversion at “Old Close Farm”, Bagstone Road – Permit with numerous conditions. Noted.	
	<u>New Applications</u>	
13.01.11	PT10/3458/F – Extensions at “Dalarna”, Tanhouse Lane. No objections.	
8	<u>Other Correspondence</u>	
	In addition to the documents mentioned in the Clerk’s Report or in other Agenda items, or have been circulated to Councillors for perusal, the following other items of correspondence were discussed:-	
14.01.11	Agenda for the Parish Charter Working Group on the 11 th January. (C)	
15.01.11	Invitation to “Designing North Yate New Neighbourhood” consultation event on the 27 th January. (C)	
9	<u>Finances</u>	
	<u>To Consider the Draft Precept for 2011/12.</u>	
16.01.11	It was resolved not to increase the Precept for 2011/12 above the present level and therefore to set it again at £10,866.	Clerk
	<u>Other Financial Matters</u>	
	<u>Received</u>	
17.01.11	£158.33 – Rangeworthy Football Club.	

18.01.11	£94.00 – Rangeworthy Football Club (Utilities refund and sub-letting fee). <u>Paid (Excluding VAT where appropriate)</u>	
19.01.11	£305.94 - Clerk's salary.	
20.01.11	£45.00 – Elite Cleaning UK Ltd.	
21.01.11	£179.60 – Paul L Tily & Son (Electrical check).	
22.01.11	£22.00 – Virgin Media.	
23.01.11	£39.49 – Npower.	
10	<u>The Children's Playground</u> (See item 3 of the Clerk's Report)	
24.01.11	There was general agreement that Mr Bamfield had made a good job of laying the western boundary hedge. The Clerk confirmed that Mike Hardy plans to start work erecting the picket fencing this coming Thursday. It was agreed that either Cllr. Miss Moody or the Chairman would meet Mike Hardy on site as he starts work, to agree final details of the work.	WM GRD
25.01.11	The Clerk confirmed that he would contact Phillip Symons. regarding a revised programme for replacing the safety bark with safety surfacing.	Clerk
11	<u>The Recreation Ground</u> (See items 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Clerk's Report)	
26.01.11	It was welcomed that the anti-frost damage precautions in the Pavilion had performed well during the recent very severe cold weather. With regards to oil delivery, it was resolved to approach Thomas Silvey again later in the year after a prolonged dry spell has made the ground suitable for delivery.	Clerk
12	<u>Councillors' Open Forum</u>	
27.01.11	Cllr. Mr Somers reported that, in a private capacity, he had approached SGC on 7 th October regarding the replacement of the cat's eyes on the main road approaching the Iron Acton By-Pass. In addition, he had complained about the state of the main road through the village, particularly the depressions near Manor Road. He had been assured that the cat's eyes would be replaced in early November and that a meeting would be arranged to look at the road problems. To date no actions have taken place on either issue. Cllr. Mr Gawler agreed to take the matter up with Street Care.	HG
13	<u>Date of Next Meeting</u>	
28.01.11	Tuesday 1 st February 2011 at 7:45pm in the Memorial Hall.	

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

RANGEWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK'S REPORT FOR THE MEETING ON THE 4th JANUARY 2011

Since the last meeting, on the 7th December, all the actions ascribed to the Clerk have been addressed. Progress on those items, together with new issues that have arisen, is now reported as follows:

- 1 Following consultations with Cllrs. the Annual Village Assembly will now be on Friday the 25th March 2011 (09.12.12)
- 2 South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) has issued a Tree Preservation Order for "The Conifers", Wotton Road (14.12.10)
- 3 The western boundary hedge to the Children's Playground has been successfully laid and Mike Hardy has been asked to erect the new picket fence as soon as possible (27 & 28.12.10)
- 4 Rangeworthy Football Club has paid its outstanding contribution towards the utility costs for the 2009/10 season (29.12.10). The Club has also forwarded the pitch fee paid by Yate United's Junior team in early October (26.11.10).
- 5 The pest controller has started work on dealing with the moles in the Recreation Ground, but the severe weather may well mean that the work has not yet been completed (31.12.10).
- 6 The Pavilion electrical system has been checked and found to be satisfactory (32.12.10)
- 7 Prior to the onset of the snow, an order was placed with Thomas Silvey for 500 litres of heating oil. Their delivery driver subsequently declined to deliver the oil since his lorry had to be towed out the last time he delivered oil. It was pointed out that they had been delivering oil without incident since the Pavilion was built nearly ten years ago. It was unfortunate that on the last occasion the delivery was undertaken after a prolonged wet spell. When the latest order was placed the ground was dry and suitable for delivery. However Thomas Silvey refused to make the delivery. The tank is approximately 100 yards from the main road and as such is too far for the oil to be pumped along the approach footpath. At present there is no urgent need for oil, but Cllrs. are requested to consider how oil might be delivered to the tank in due course.
- 8 John Hicks has offered to carry out the annual inspection of the Children's Playground in 2011. Once again he is keeping his charges at the 2001 level.
- 9 The following items of correspondence of particular interest or requiring attention before or immediately after the next meeting have been passed to the appropriate Councillor for attention:-

None.

B R Miller (Clerk)

29th December 2010