

RANGEWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
MEMORIAL HALL AT 7:45PM ON TUESDAY 2nd JUNE 2009**

Those Present

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

Mr Howard Gawler – South Gloucestershire Councillor
One member of the public

Action

1	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>	
01.06.09	Cllr. Mr Livall.	
2	<u>Declarations of Interest Relating to Agenda Items</u>	
02.06.09	None.	
3	<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>	
03.06.09	The Minutes of the last meeting, held on the 5 th May 2009, 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:-	
04.06.09	A complaint has been received from a pedestrian using the combined footpath/cycleway in Bagstone. A cyclist had approached the pedestrian from behind and without warning, forcing the pedestrian into the road. Cllr. Mr Gawler has taken the matter up with South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) who has agreed to erect two “shared use” signs between the Rose & Crown PH and Brooklands Farm. Noted.	
05.06.09	SGC has confirmed that the main road will be patch repaired at the end of the summer (06.05.09). Cllrs. stated that this is unsatisfactory in the vicinity of the Children’s Playground. Here there is a real risk of a vehicle leaving the road and entering the Playground. It was resolved to write to the SGC Road Safety Officer and draw his attention to the matter. Hopefully he can get the repairs in this area brought forward.	
06.06.09	The SGC Site Inspection Sub-Committee will be visiting the proposed Gypsies and Travellers site at “Homefield” on the 12 th June. The exact time has yet to be announced (27.05.09) It was resolved that at least one Parish Councillor would be present at the visit.	
07.06.09	Cllr. Mr Ellery reported that the hedge at “Myrtle Cottage” is again partially blocking the combined footpath/cycleway. It was noted that this is a longstanding problem which the Parish Council has repeatedly asked SGC to	

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the matter up with Street Care.

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Planning Matters

Decisions

14.06.09 PT09/0414/F – Works at “Two Oaks”, Manor Road – Permit. Noted.

15.06.09 PT09/0599/F – Works at “The Coverts”, New Road – Permit. Noted.

16.06.09 PT09/0587/F – Works at “Patch Elm Farm”, Patch Elm Lane – Permit. Noted.

Notice of Appeal

17.06.09 PT08/2505/F – Works at “Patch Elm Farm”, Wotton Road. It was resolved that there was nothing further to add to the earlier objections.

New Applications

18.06.09 PT09/0922/F – Erection of a new dwelling at 1 Berrows Mead. It was resolved to object for the following reasons:-

1. It will be an over development of the site.
2. It will further load the foul sewer, which is acknowledged to be already overloaded.
3. Create additional traffic movements.

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Other Correspondence

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:-

19.06.09 Minutes of the Frome and Ladden Vale Environmental Link Group meeting on 12/2/09 and Agenda for 11/6/09.

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Finances

Received

20.06.09 £150.00 – Rangeworthy Football Club.

21.06.09 £5433.00 – 50% Precept.

22.06.09 £2137.05 – VAT refund.

23.06.09 £150.00 – Mrs Sephton (Grass keep)

Paid (Excluding VAT where appropriate)

24.06.09 £287.37 - Clerk’s salary.

25.06.09	£891.40 – Allianza Insurance.	
26.06.09	£45.00 – Elite Cleaning UK Ltd.	
27.06.09	£115.00 – Iain Selkirk (Internal Auditor)	
28.06.09	£62.11 – Npower.	
29.06.09	£22.00 – Telewest.	
10	<u>The Recreation Ground</u>	
	a) <u>Letting Arrangements</u>	
30.06.09	It was resolved to explore options for maintenance work on the southern pitch with Cllr. Mr Livall. (Item 4 of the Clerk’s Report)	Clerk
31.06.09	The Clerk reported that Rangeworthy Football Club has asked if they can hold a charity match against a team from Morrisons on the 13 th June. They wish to raise funds for the Marie Curie Cancer Charity. It was resolved to approve the request.	Clerk
	b) <u>The Pavilion</u>	
32.06.09	Cllr. Miss Moody reported that Cllr. Mr Livall has removed all of the ivy off the back of the Pavilion (22.05.09). He has also found a loose or broken gutter bracket which he will repair. Noted with thanks.	KL
33.06.09	Cllr. Mr Somers agreed to cut off the cold water supply to the shower in the kitchen area. (Item 5 of the Clerk’s Report)	
	c) <u>General</u>	
34.06.09	Cllr. Miss Moody reported that Cllr. Mr Livall will trim the hedges adjacent to the footpath leading from the main road in June (23.05.09).	KL
11	<u>To Consider the Possible Refurbishment of the Parish Council Owned Footpath Signs</u>	
35.06.09	Cllr. Mr Ellery reported that he had looked at some of the signs and found that it would be possible to remove the signs from the posts. The question of painting the signs and the lettering was then discussed. It was resolved that the Chairman would see if Leyhill Prison would be able and willing to do the painting.	GRD
11	<u>Public Question Time</u>	
	Mr Barrie Purnell raised the following five issues:-	
36.06.09	One of the above footpath signs was destroyed during the building of Kings Field. Noted.	
37.06.09	There had been a “photo shoot” with the Gazette last week at the site of the	

proposed Gypsies and Travellers site. Only around twenty residents attended, which he thought was disappointing. He stressed the need for the visit by the SGC Site Inspection Sub-Committee to be well advertised, together with the Planning Committee meeting at Kingswood on the 25th June. It was noted that the action group will be meeting on the 4th June, when arrangements for publicity will be organised.

38.06.09 He could not find any of the dedication tags on the trees in the Woodland. Cllr. Miss Moody assured him that they are there.

39.06.09 Grass is encroaching through the new seat in the Woodland. It was resolved to ask Cllr. Mr Livall to strim back the grass.

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40.06.09 The footpath at the end of Patch Lane, leading past the chicken farm, is overgrown. Noted.

12 Councillors' Open Forum

Cllr. Mr Ellery raised the following three issues:-

41.06.09 There is no eastbound road sign at Summer Bridge indicating Bagstone. It was resolved that Cllr. Mr Gawler would see if one can be provided.

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42.06.09 There is no clear way marker on PROW LWR 43 by the new bridge. Noted.

43.06.09 The car parking in Kings Field is so congested, with cars parked on the pavements, that it is doubtful whether an emergency vehicle could get through. It was noted that this had been predicted by the Parish Council at the planning stage, but the comments had been ignored. Cllr. Mr Gawler agreed to see when SGC propose to adopt the highway.

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13 Date of Next Meeting

44.06.09 Tuesday 7th July 2009 at 7:45pm in the Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 9:05pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

RANGEWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK'S REPORT FOR THE MEETING ON THE 2nd JUNE 2009

Since the last meeting, on the 5th May 2009, 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 Cllr. Mr Livall has reported that one of the footrests on the Hurst Rocker in the Children's Playground has been damaged.
- 2 The Internal Audit of the Parish Council's 2008/09 Accounts was successfully completed on the 6th May.
- 3 The £2137.05 VAT spent during 2008/09 has been refunded in full by HM Revenue & Customs.
- 4 Yate Ranger Football Club has now signed the letting Agreement for the 2009/10 football season. The Club has suggested that ground maintenance is needed on the southern pitch, if the pitch is to be used by three teams next season. Cllrs. may wish to discuss the suggestions to decide whether it is an economic proposition.
- 5 Cllrs. will recall that last year's electrical inspection highlighted the need to cut off the cold water supply to the shower in the kitchen area (31.01.09). Cllrs. are asked to decide the means by which this is done.
- 6 South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) has confirmed that money is available in the current financial year's budget to provide a bus stop sign in Manor Road, opposite the new bus shelter (41.10.08).
- 7 SGC has suggested that a Member of their Standards Committee attends a Parish Council meeting some time during the next nine months. If Cllrs. are in agreement the necessary arrangements will be made.
- 8 Cllrs. are asked to approve the following meeting dates:-

1st September 6th October 3rd November 1st December

Cllrs. may wish to change the starting time for future meetings to 7:30pm, as suggested by Cllr. Mr Ellery.
- 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)

1st June 2009