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Minutes of a meeting of Wembdon Parish Council meeting that was held at St Georges School Wembdon on **12th November 2012** that commenced at 7.30pm when the following business was transacted'

Present: Councillors M Solomon (Chairman) Cllr J Riddle (Vice Chairman) Cllr A Reed, Cllr J Jackson, Cllr D Bingham, Cllr T Thake. Cllr T Thayer Cllr N Harrison

There were 2 members of the public, Cllr A Bown

"Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime disorder and Human Rights"

Pre meeting note from Cllr Bown : The bridge from Lyndhurst Crescent to Quantock View is now open and repaired.

158/12: Apologies for absence received from Cllr L Burge Cllr I Dyer and Cllr J Edney this was accepted by the meeting

159/12: To Receive any declarations of interest. There were no declarations recorded at this meeting

1160/12: Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held at the Parish Centre on **8th October** the minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

161/12: Action points circulated paper on items not covered elsewhere on the agenda of the [12th November 2012](#)

162/12: Vacancy on the Parish Council

The process of filling the current vacancy on the Parish Council will be further clarified at the December meeting. The vacancy will be notified to Sedgemoor District by clerk in accordance with procedure.

Working Groups Reports

Footpaths and Land

Signature of Chairman

163/12: A successful Give a day in the village was supported well on the 10th November. The Church path has been cleared and this work has been well received. The key areas having now been cleared were Downhall Drive , Gypsy Lane and Wares Lane many favourable comments by residents.

164/12: Issues relating to road sweeping in the village have been raised and whether this extends to paths and this will be investigated with guttersweep. It was agreed that A4 laminated notices would be posted at key locations when roadsweepers are due. It was agreed to draft a gentle notification to local residents where there are problems with overhanging vegetation. Where the Council is concerned about health and safety issues with unstable walls building control will be contacted for professional survey.

Action Points

1. Cllr J Jackson to get quotes for laminated warning signs
2. Cllr Reed and Cllr Harrison to contact Building control re walls
3. Cllr J Jackson to follow up on Road/ path sweeping with SDC

Highways and Speedwatch.

165/12: An increasing concern about parked vehicles in Church Road particularly near the corner at Wembdon Rise. There is an ongoing danger of accidents and it is suggested re marking the road with all appropriate warning symbols and lines to underline the Councils concern. It was also suggested to install a warning mirror opposite to Greenacre entrance. The Parish Council has registered interest in the County scheme for Speed indicator devices to be placed in and around the village and more to come on this matter in the new year.

Action Points:

1. OJC to get further clarity on Road Markings in Church road

Playing Fields

166/12: Fence has now been repaired. The Parish Council have looked at the Ash Tree on the playing fields and it is ok at this point in time.

167/12: Keys to the Liddall Meadows held with Chairman, Clerk , Andrew Sutton and Vice Chairman.

168/12: As a follow up to their significant grant for replacing the play equipment Viridor have inspected the site and have written to confirm this. Their report is now on file

Action Points

1. None at this meeting

Allotments

169/12: The plots now renumbered and Cllr Harrison will be sourcing new number signs to place on the allotment field. Serious concerns are still being raised about holders not maintaining their plots and the Parish Council are determined to ensure that any plot holders do use their plots are they will be re let. A letter will be drafted to all holders ASAP

Action Points

1. Re numbering of plots Cllr Neil Harrison
2. Cllr T Thayer to draft a letter for clerk to send to relevant allotment holder
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Communications

170/12: The October newsletter has now been delivered and very well received in its new format and in colour. The Council thanked Cllr Jackson for the work done.

171/12: The website working group have been actively discussing a new website with media orb who are going to provide the Parish Council with a new fit for purpose website in the spring.

Action Points

1. Cllr Bingham, Cllr Thayer Clerk and Cllr Burge to meet with John Richards on Website re working to improve its functionality

Correspondence Items

172/12: No correspondence available at this meeting.

Finance and to Agree Payments

173/12: Payments

Clerks Salary for Nov 2012	£ 486.00
GB Sports inspection for October 2012	£ 18.00

A Sutton Contract for September 2012	£ 367.50
Crossacre Road grant	£ 500.00
Computer encryption for repair	£ 35.00
SALC Training in August	£ 40.00

174/12: It was resolved to approve the above Payments

175/12: The ad hoc tender committee established at the October meeting to review and recommend the contractor for grass cutting in and around the village met and considered two submissions. They recommended that the contract be awarded to Andrew Sutton. The Parish Council resolved to accept this tender which would be for a three year period with annual reviews.

Planning Committee

176/12: There were no plans for consideration at this meeting.

Matters of Consideration

177/12: Purchase of new Salt bins

It was resolved to purchase a new Salt Bin from Glasdon a slimline 160ltr

178/12: Defibrillator decision

A defibrillator has been agreed to be positioned at the village shop and training is being offered. Cllr Reed would organise a suitable date and the Parish Centre is being proposed as the most suitable training location.

179/12: It was resolved to appoint Charles Fleming a solicitor at Holly and Steer Burnham on Sea to act for the Parish Council on all matters relating to the Council owned land as impacted by of a successful planning application by the Wembdon playing fields trust and Notaro Holdings. No expenditure has been committed to date and initial estimates of £200 for registration of the playing field and a sum of several hundred pounds for any work associated with a 106 agreement was agreed

Matters of Report and October agenda item

180/12: It was agreed that a decision to install an additional dog bin on Crowpill Lane and to identify an exact location will be considered at the December meeting with associated cost information.

The meeting closed **at 9.10pm** and the next meeting on **December 10th 2012** in St Georges School Wembdon at 7.30pm

Signature of Chairman