

WEMBDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Wembdon Parish Council meeting that was held at St Georges School Wembdon on **September 15th 2014** that commenced at **7.30pm** when the following business was transacted'

Present: Councillors Cllr M Solomon (Chairman) Cllr T Thake. and Cllr N Harrison, and Cllr J Riddle, Cllr A Reed, Cllr T Thayer, Cllr L Burge, Councillor J Jackson and Cllr D Bingham and District Councillor A Bown and District Councillor I Dyer

"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"

A welcome to the new Clerk Mr A Jay who is currently working in Tandem with current Clerk Mr O j Cullwick until the end of October

81/14: To receive apologies for absence: Apologies received from and Cllr J Woods and apologies were accepted unanimously.

82/14: To Receive any declarations of interest. No declarations made at this point in the meeting

83/14: Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held at St Georges School on **July 10th 2014** and with two minor amendments at **66/14** and **67/14** were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting.

Working Groups Reports

Footpaths and Land

84/14 : Concerns arisen over the Church path to NDR ref BW/2 considerable bramble over growth reported particularly amongst the cycling fraternity. This will be looked at

further by Chairman/ Cllr Harrison

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85/14: Cllr A Reed declared a pecuniary interest as the subject matter potentially backs on to one of her properties. Cllr Reed left the meeting at this point

86/14: Wares Lane to Greenacre reported problems with breaking up of tarmac (specifically Vicarage to Wares Lane section) Cllr Thayer to discuss with local property owner.

87/14: Cllr Reed returned to the meeting

Action Point

Cllr Harrison Cllr Solomon to look at the Church path to NDR Path,
Cllr Thayer to discuss tarmac Wares Lane with resident,

Highways and Speed watch.

88/14: Concerns raised regarding white posts on the raised section in Church Road. Concerns specifically of a health and safety issue a 3m drop where posts are damaged and this is near play groups and school walking area. The highways will be contacted via Lawrence Hackling by the Clerk to see what action can be taken.

89/14: Drains in Church Road near raised pavement are in need of clearance, especially after the recent tar and chippings treatment and highways will be contacted

90/14: Continuing concerns about poor parking in Church Road near the exit and entrance to Greenacre the meeting was reminded of the 10m rule and cars should not be parked within 10m of junction. An article will be published in the Parish Paper highlighting the issue to local residents. Richard Newby at Dunball will be contacted further regarding the possibility of warning white lines etc

91/14: Transport Forum updates including £50 million budget to be made available for road schemes around the Bridgwater area also the Cannington by pass to start in October of this year. The forum also will allocate provision for cycling schemes and routes in the area. A 20 mph limit during school hours along the Inwood Road to Wembdon Rise is being examined as a part of the Traffic Plan for the School extension. Dates for next meeting 26th September 3.45pm

92/14: The Clerk informed the meeting that the purchase of speed indicator devices at Brent Knoll had happened but that the protocol for the installation of them was under review and that they are not able to be activated yet, this should be a consideration for

Wembdon prior to any purchase considerations.

93/14: More formal speed watch signage proposed and showed to the meeting and it was resolved to give the go ahead.

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Playing Fields

94/14: GB Sports to fix the gate spring identified in August.

95/14: Concerns raised over a skip still in position on the playing field some days after Village Day was encouraging vandalism.

Allotments

96/14 : At the request of the allotment holders, some litter concerns need to be addressed and it was resolved to ask the new clerk to investigate the provision costs of a suitable unit to assist with these concerns.

Communications.

97/14: Website : WCA wanting more information to be provided on the website and a request for them to provide this information at forthcoming meetings of the WCA. We can only place information that we are given

No new issues arising from this meeting

Correspondence Items

98/14: Current Correspondence was identified to the meeting including matters relating to

CAB Grant request
SALC Annual meeting
Police Station opening hours
Quantock Cluster agenda

Finance and to Agree Payments

99/14: Payments

Statutory Payments for July

Clerks Salary September 2014

£ 404.20

HMRC Tax September 2014	£ 101.20
GB Sports for August 2014	£ 18.00
Andrew Sutton Contract for August 2014	£ 651.50

100/14: Resolution to make the Statutory payments

Variable Payments for Sept 2014

Salary for new Clerk September	£ 404.20	
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Tax/ Ni Payments for September	£ 101.00	
Parish Paper Printing	£ 303.00	

101/14: Resolution to make the variable payments for Sept 2014

Matters of Consideration

102 /14: Wembdon Village Hall Trust updates

Funding now in place and contractor Woodlands appointed to undertake the project. Main access for the development will be via the NDR once the new bridge has been constructed. The Village Hall construction is scheduled to be completed in 52 weeks and the Village Green and associated pitches should be available for light use from Spring 2016.

Bridgwater College, Land Based Studies Group based at Cannington Campus will be invited to assist in the design and implementation of a Community Parkland area to be constructed in the newly acquired Persimmon Land. It was agreed that the Chairman would organise a general clearance of the bramble and fencing this area for security purposes as soon as possible.

103/14: CIM Funding

Access to funds for community groups and projects can be applied for through a robust scheme that will need to demonstrate strong community benefits through a procedure available on the West Somerset Council Website. The Council will be supportive of any community groups wishing to access these funds but to be successful, the community groups will need to take the lead.

Matters of report

Updates from matters in these minutes

The meeting ended at 9.15pm and the next meeting on **October 20th** in St Georges School Wembdon at 7.30pm

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Signature of Chairman