

BUCKLAND NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, 17th January 2012 at 8.00 pm in the Parish Room

Present: Chair - Trevor Marpole , Nicki Barker, John Baker, Lin Townsend, Rodney Cuff,
Chris Osmond, Andy Foot
Clerk: Vanessa Wellstead (VW)

Item	Detail	Action
1.	Apologies: Mark Hammick , Mark Needham, District Councillor: Jacqui Cuff, County Councillor: Jill Haynes	
2.	Declarations of Interest:	
3.	Democratic Half Hour	
4.	Minutes of Last Meeting held 13th December: Passed Agreed & Signed	
5.	Planning Applications: 1. 1/D/11/001951 The Old Shop, Buckland Newton Internal alterations & new dormer window <i>Parish Council - Support Application</i> 2. 1/D/11/001548 The Manor House, Buckland Newton Retain garden walls, pergola & pond <i>Refusal of Planning Permission</i> 3. 1/D/11/000832 Knoll End, Buckland Newton - Appeal Demolish existing single storey dwelling and replace with two storey dwelling <i>Decision – Appeal is Dismissed</i>	
6.	Financial Matters: 1. Following invoice agreed for payment: Southern Electric £34.65	
7.	Post Office 1. There are still concerns over the problems with equipment failure in the village shop outreach post office. The equipment is second hand and is transported between several outreach post offices. It is felt that this will force customers to go elsewhere and have a knock on effect on the village shop custom. Both the village shop and the post office service are vital to the local community. The Parish Council felt that it would not be unreasonable to request that the outdated equipment is replaced with modern transportable equipment. Cllr Barker has written to Oliver Letwin MP and it was suggested that a letter from the Parish Council to Post Office Ltd would also lend support. The Parish Clerk will liaise with West Dorset District Cllr Jacqui Cuff who also proposes to write to the Post Office.	
8.	Play Area/Recreation Ground 1. The Parish Council decided to go ahead with plans to get the large gate shot blasted and painted at a cost of £365. The Parish Clerk will check with Dorset Forge whether there will be any additional charge for repairs. <i>Proposed NB Secoded RC AIF</i> It was agreed that it would be better if the metal railings could be repaired in the spring to allow for better weather to carry out the painting. <i>Parish Clerk to contact Dorset Forge.</i>	

<p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p>	<p>It is hoped to spray the footpath with weed killer at the beginning of March. Cllr Foot and Cllr Cuff to organise.</p> <p>With regard to the hedge laying being carried out along the full length of the playing field which is approx 150m, it was suggested that this should be carried out in 50m lengths over the next 3 years to spread the cost, with an initial spend of around £500. Local tradesman Mr Stuart Lovell had been recommended as a possible contact. The parish clerk will speak to Mr Lovell to organise a quote. Cllr Foot offered to meet him on site. <i>Proposed NB Secoded JB AIF</i></p> <p>An engineer from Playdale should be coming out to the play area during the next few days to check the roundabout.</p>	
<p>9.</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>The working group have received conditional confirmation of a grant from WDDC. It is hoped the first of the funds will be received in April.</p> <p>The working group are looking at purchasing exhibition equipment.</p>	
<p>10.</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p>	<p>Highways</p> <p>Fly tipping had been reported at the bottom of Knoll Lane. <i>Parish Clerk to report to WDDC</i></p> <p>The Parish Clerk will contact Jill Haynes about the rural roads scheme.</p> <p>The section of road between Spring Grove and Knapps Hill has several pot holes. <i>Parish Clerk to report to highways</i></p>	
<p>11.</p>	<p>Other Matters/Items for Agenda of Next Meeting</p>	

Next Meeting Tuesday, 21st February 2012 at 8:00pm, Parish Room

The meeting was concluded at 9.15 pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____