

## Draft Minutes of Lympsham Parish Council Meeting, 20 November 2006

**Councillors Present:** Mr. J. Hinton, (Acting Chairman), Mr. B. Davis, Mr. B. Gooding,  
Mrs. E. Male, Mrs. J. Santo.  
Also five members of the public.

**Minutes** were taken by the Clerk.

**107/06 Apologies:** Capt. R .G. Evans.

**98/06 Mr. S. Issac:** The Chairman expressed the deep regret of all present that Steve was no longer with us and it was unanimously agreed to send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Isaac plus a donation to the nominated charity in recognition of his long service to the Council.

The Clerk would inform Sedgemoor Electoral Services of a vacancy.

**99/06 Minutes of Previous Meetings** - Were confirmed and signed.

### 100/06 Matters Arising / for report from previous meetings

- **Lympsham School:** Gate pillar repaired by School. B. Gooding would check the situation of an encroaching ash tree. (Subsequently agreed to felling, costs shared with Somerset CC.)
- **Lympsham Pre-school:** Following meeting on 5.10.06 chaired by Alan Ham, the Clerk was endeavouring to ascertain who was liable for the two car parks and roadway leading to the Pavilion and the Chair provided a map of the area. A. Gilling, following discussion with A. Ham, requested the map as it was hoped that the Sedgemoor Traffic Manager would take on the task of advising on safety / parking arrangements in the above area.
- **Parish Plan:** Clerk awaiting reply from representative of Somerset CC to attend future meeting to advise re approaches to affordable housing & sheltered accommodation.
- **Highways report:** Following Clerk's e-mail to Safe Routes to School Officer, the PC to make a formal request to A. Gilling re footpath at start of Lympsham Road. Clerk to seek update re progress of repairs to Rectory Way & Boundaries road signs. Clerk reported on response re trading on highway.
- **Playground report:** B. Davis was thanked for painting the equipment. The Clerk has arranged for some new bark chippings. Following discussion, the Clerk will pursue possible sources of funding for new play equipment.
- **General Maintenance Issues:** Memorial corner flagstones to be cleaned at appropriate time.
- **Footpaths:** Nothing to report.
- **Manor Hall Report:** Nothing to report.
- **Memorial for Henry Councill:** J. Hinton reported that Churchwardens had received a verbal quote for floodlighting north side of Church from ground level of £822-50.
- **Churchyard closure:** Chair is awaiting reply from local landowner.
- **Grounds Maintenance:** Clerk continuing to seek advice re specifications.
- **Village Events:** Clerk reported that Sports Club had agreed to share costs of a future buffet with the PC.
- **Clerk training:** Clerk due to attend training course at end of October. The Clerk sought permission to purchase a filing cabinet for PC papers; this was unanimously agreed.

**101/06 Planning:** 652 Hobbs Boat Inn: 2 storey extension to provide 20 bedrooms & linking lobby – no observations.  
653 A. Carr, Church Farm, Church Lane: Felling of 2 sycamore trees – no observations.

**102/06: Correspondence of note:** Previously circulated and noted. Mrs. E. Male to attend Coastal Parish Group meeting. £25 to be donated to Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.

**103/06: Finance Report:** Current Account: £6,281-47; Savings Account: £6,025-52; Petty Cash Account: £19-36;  
Player-Mason Account: £2,108-72. The remaining precept funding had been received.

**104/06: Cheques issued since last meeting:** 100833 B. Davis £21-66.

**105/06: Cheques issued this meeting:** 100834 D. Prowton (Grass cutting) £150-00; 100835 Clerk's salary £385-68;  
100836 Manor Hall £40-00.

**106/06: Items for discussion / Report at next meeting:** Youth facilities in Parish (deferred from this meeting to await further information).

The meeting ended at 8.42 p.m.