



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF SWIMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2010 at 7.30 PM  
COMMUNITY ROOM, SWIMBRIDGE SCHOOL**

**Public Session**

The residents of Gunn are complaining about speeding through the village . PC Clarke will pass their concerns onto the Beat Officer, meanwhile he has asked Traffic Unit to target Swimbridge.

A petition has been sent by the residents of Ste Honorine Du Fay Close and adjoining properties about children playing in the car park area and damaging property. PC Clarke took the petition and will try to deal with it.

**Guest Speakers**

- .01 Apologies received and members present** – apologies received from Cllrs Clarke and Singh. Cllr Edgell will arrive later. Present were Cllrs Liverton, Comerford, Crumpton, King and Dennis
- .02 Declarations of interest** – Cllr Comerford in item 2010.10.02
- .03 Minutes of the previous meeting** – the minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record and signed accordingly.
- .04 Co-option of Mr John Hayes as Councillor** – Mr John Hayes was formally co-opted as a member of Swimbridge Parish Council.
- .05 Glebe Field Application** – Ms Jean Watkins was in attendance to help explain the section 106. It was proposed that the Parish Council will take the lease direct from the Diocese. This was seconded and carried unanimously. Mrs Watkins explained that the Parish Council should now have a Solicitor check that the Heads of Terms were acceptable. It was agreed Cllrs Liverton and Comerford be delegated to deal with the Solicitors. Mr Mike Nichols (Pearce Construction) was also in attendance and he confirmed that the land would be available as soon as the access road was complete, and that it would not have to wait until the first house was occupied. He also offered to contribute £500 towards the Parish Council's legal costs. The Parish Council accepted his offer with grateful thanks. He also explained that Pearce Construction are in difficult negotiations with the tenant of the land, and much would depend on the outcome of this. There was some discussion about the land known as the Old Orchard – this piece of land is in a very bad state, and although it was offered to DCC to be part of the school area, it was not considered fit for use. Cllr Butt suggested that an option of 2 years to make a decision was put in Heads of Terms. This was proposed, seconded and accepted. Cllr Liverton thanked Mrs Watkins and Mr Nicholls for their assistance and advice.
- .06 Correspondence**
  - a) **Customer Survey – NDC Planning Unit** – Clerk will deal with this
  - b) **Nick Harvey – Lessons from the Great Freeze** - noted
- .07 Planning Decisions**
  - 49189** – Change of use of garage to form Cattery, Fairweather Cottage – **APPROVED**
  - 49207** – Conversion of redundant farm buildings to form holiday accommodation Welcome Farm – **REFUSED**
  - 44902** – Change of use – Glebe Field - **APPROVED**
  - 49369** – Listed Building Appn. Internal works Higher Hearson and Stable Cott. – **APPROVED**
  - 49438** – Listed Building consent extension and access alterations The Old School Rm Cobbaton – **APPROVED**
  - 49413** – Retrospective appn change of use Light Industry to storage and distribution – Fagus Yard, Gunn – **APPROVED**
- .08 Planning Applications** – the following applications were dealt with due to time restrictions

**49372** – Conversion of stables to dependant relative accommodation, Archway Cottage, Bydown – Support the application subject to adequate off road parking being provided.  
**49369** – Higher Hearson and Stable Cott – we would prefer Planning Officers to deal with this application as it has been changed so many times.

**.09 Any additional planning applications received after publication of agenda**

**.10 Planning Matters in the Parish**

1. Report on Planning meeting held on Monday in Committee. Minutes kept on file.
2. To consider Planning Application and grant on behalf of the Jubilee Hall Committee. The Parish Council has already agreed to give a donation of £400 toward the Jubilee Hall's planning application costs, but it has been asked to submit the application on their behalf. Cllr Liverton aired some concerns about the plans to open up the roof and re-site the plumbing and suggested that the Parish Council should only agree if the Jubilee Hall Committee agrees to change their plans. It was decided to have a meeting to discuss this.
3. Dangerous trees overhanging road on Kerscott Hill. – It was agreed to write to Highways Engineer to ask that these be inspected and if necessary the landowners should be required to deal with them
4. John Bartlett complaint about gutters in Gunn. It was decided to write to the Highways Engineer and ask him to investigate.
5. Enforcement at Coach and Horses House – unauthorised removal of chimney. This is a listed building, and planning permission was required.
6. Letter from Mrs Bateman regarding surface water at Hannaford. Cllr Edgell will deal with this.
7. Yarnacott – Notice has been served on owner to demolish or submit correct planning application.
8. Petition from residents of Ste Honorine Du Fay Close re football and vandalism on estate.

.11 Speeding – dealt with in Public Session

**.12 Lack of gritting in villages** – Cllr Liverton asked Cllr Edgell whether it would be possible for bags of salt/grit to be made available to homeowners for purchase in case of further weather problems.

**.13 New Model Standing Orders** – It was agreed that a sub-committee would be formed to deal with this.

**.14 Accounts for approval**

Clerks Salary	£115.08
Donation to Mrs Clarke	£25.00

**.15 Matters raised by Councillors**

Dog fouling in Hannaford Lane  
Retirement of Vicar  
Grit Bin for Gunn

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ K L Wadsworth