

# REDMARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on the 16 April 2007 The Methodist Chapel Schoolroom, Carlton 6.30pm

**Present**                      **Mrs Bowker (Chair)**                      **Mr J Turnbull**  
   **Mrs L Evans**                                      **Mrs J Stevens**  
   **Mr S Bell**    **Mrs R Dee**  
   **Mrs A Wray**

### Apologies

Mrs R Dee – non-pecuniary interest in The Stables.

### Declarations of interest

None

### Minutes of the previous meeting

These were agreed. Future minutes will be sent direct to Councillors and not via the Chair.

**Attendance**                      Mr E Lambert

### Action

#### Matters Arising (1/04/07)

**Standing Orders (7/01/07)** – A copy of the Standing Orders were given to each Councillor. Still to go on Website.

JT

**Drovers Lane** – a resident who works as an Engineer for Redcar & Cleveland Council agrees that there is something wrong with the camber, though Stockton Borough Council had said it was all right. He will check detail and write to Stockton Borough Council as a resident with the necessary qualification.

**Grass Seed (8/03/07)** – Cllr Bell said none has been received, so Cllr Stevens will check it out. If none is available then the PC will purchase the necessary seed.

JS

**Precept (13/03/07)** – Cllr Turnbull said he had checked the figures and all seemed to be correct.

#### Finance (2/04/07)

- **Cheques** – None. A receipt is needed for the £50.00 cheque previously sent for the Parish News.
- **Petty Cash** – stands at £18.99
- **Budget Sheet** – a copy was shown to Councillors.
- **Audit** – Process to start from May – to be included in next Agenda for after the close of meeting.

LE

AW

#### Village Green (3/04/07)

Cllr Bowker said a letter had been received from Peter Baker of Impetus, dated 5<sup>th</sup> April 2007. They are pleased to inform the Council that they will provide £10,000 for the purchase – approval reference 721721.008. Funds will be released on receipt of the third party cheque for £1,000.

Cllr Stevens had been given the name of Mr Andrew James of James & Baker, Solicitors of Thornaby. She subsequently spoke to Mr James, who is experienced in the field, and he is happy to undertake any work involved in the purchase of the village green.

Cllr Turnbull therefore proposed that further to the original proposal (2-

28/07/06), and as everything is now in order, that the £1,000 be released and the Solicitor be appointed. This was seconded by Cllr Dee, and passed with a vote of 5 for, and 1 against.

All Councillors are to give ideas to Cllr Bowker on what the Solicitor will need to do to put the Village Green in Trust for the village. It was suggested that Carlton as also consulted as they have a field which was left to the village. Cllr Bowker will then write to the Solicitor.

All/TB

Cllr Bell informed everyone that he had had only one volunteer to help cut the grass, and that really it needs eight people. Some Councillors/spouses were put forward as volunteers and others would be sought. It was agreed that once the Village Green was owned by the village, then Stockton Borough Council would be approached to do the grass cutting.

#### **Clarion Homes Land (4/04/07)**

Cllr Bell enquired whether the letter from Stockton Borough Council had been copied to the Open Spaces Society, which it had not. Cllr Bowker to scan and send to Parish Clerk for her to forward to them with a covering letter.

TB/AW

#### **Planning (5/04/07)**

**The Stables, Kirk Hill** – three letters had been received –

- 28 March 2007 from Stockton Borough Council - Serving two enforcement notices on the wooden structures.
- 10 April 2007 from Stockton Borough Council – refused application for the stable block based on three areas. Appeal date 9 May 2007.
- 11 April 2007 from Stockton Borough Council – application appeal to the Secretary of State against conditions.

The two appeals are being combined – change of use of the land, and the wooden structures.

It was agreed that a letter needed to be written to Stockton Borough Council reiterating the Parish Council's objections. Before this is done, Cllr Bell is going to acquire the submission to the Planning Inspectorate dated 20<sup>th</sup> February 2007, and any other information which has not been copied to the Parish Council. Notes will then be pulled together by Councillors, and Cllr Bowker will write the necessary letter to the Borough Council.

All/TB

#### **Elections (06/04/07)**

List of the seven uncontested councillors to be put on the noticeboard.

RD

#### **Parish News (7/04/07)**

Nothing put forward to enter in the magazine, but it was noted that Care for Your Area had removed debris following the vandalism in the village. A new neighbourhood watch sign is required, and Cllr Bowker to arrange.

TB

#### **AGM (8/04/07)**

This will take place at the next meeting in May – 14 May 2007.

#### **Correspondence (9/0/07)**

- Horden Parish Council – working together to make a difference.
- SBC Code of Conduct
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- Society of Local Council Clerks – Seminar
- SBC BACs remittance advice - £2,000 precept

- SBC uncontested Election results
- Open Spaces Society asking for contributions – PC noted we do pay yearly subscription, no further contribution to be made
- Email from young resident suggesting a village party to celebrate acquisition of the village green. Councillors happy to look at this suggestion, and a decision will be made later.
- Electoral Commission (NALC) – disc all about Parish and Town Councils
- Vitalise – needs help – essential breaks for disabled people and carers. Noted.
- Stockton News – deadline 9<sup>th</sup> May 2007.
- Map of new parish boundary.
- SBC draft code of conduct – consultation letter.
- SBC Minutes Oct 06 – Mar 07 period. (18 April 2007 meeting)

### **Any Other Business (13/03/07)**

Cllr Bell put forward his apologies for the May meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.20pm.

Next meeting to be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2007  
Agenda items to Audrey Wray by 7<sup>th</sup> May 2007

### **Open Forum**

No further discussions.