

**DRAFT**  
**Minutes of Horsington Parish Council Meeting held at St Margaret's Hall on**  
**Thursday 11th July 2013**

**Open Forum:** County/ District Councillor W Wallace reported that he had spoken to C James about funding for a defibrillator for the telephone box in Horsington and that he may have funds available through his Health and Wellbeing budget and that SSDC should be able to offer up to £750.

Councillor Wallace also reported that he had been informed that the verge that had been fenced off in Goathill Lane did belong to the farmer. He suggested that the Parish Council should contact Colin Fletcher at Somerset County Council for further confirmation.

The issue of traffic in Cabbage Lane was discussed and Councillor Wallace promised to talk to the Highways Department and the police.

**31. Members present:** Mrs J Wood (Chairman), Mrs A Clayton, Mrs B Mann, S Hawkins & W Candy.

**Public present:** County / District Councillor W Wallace & D Chapman (Clerk).

**Apologies:** C James, Mrs J Pyne & District Councillor T Inglefield

**32. Declarations of interest /dispensations:** none.

**33. Approve draft minutes as a correct record of meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June** – Proposed by S Hawkins and seconded by Mrs A Clayton. Passed unanimously.

**34. Matters arising from previous minutes:**

1. Clerk reported that he had contacted Reverend Peter Hallett about the pipes in the grass at the Church. S Hawkins reported that these had now been removed and that there was only a small area where there was still some scaffolding that could not be mowed.

2. Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to the farmer who owns the farm at the end of Cabbage Lane expressing concerns about the size and speed of traffic and that no reply had been received to date.

**35. Planning:**

**Applications:**

1. 13/02521/S73A Mr & Mrs J Burney, Woodside, Wood Lane, South Cheriton – application to vary conditions 02 & 03 of planning permission 13/00348/FUL to replace approved roof covering of slate to plain tiles – **no objections.**

**Determinations:** none

**Other:**

1. Clerk reported that the SSDC Planning Department were still investigating reports that a number of Parishioners had reported that services had been connected to the mobile living units at Woodside, South Cheriton.

**36. Finance:**

1. Cheques authorised:

000888 £270.00 S Hawkins – grass cutting at the large play area, Church Yard and memorial in May and June.

000889 £210.00 S P Collins – mowing, strimming and hedge trimming at the Cemetery in June.

2. Money Received: none.

**37. Play Area:**

1. Mrs B Mann reported that she had inspected the Play Area and that there were no issues to report.

2. The SSDC Play Area inspection report was reviewed and noted.

**38. Cemetery / Churchyard:**

1. Chairman reported that there were still problems with rabbits in the Cemetery.

**39. Horse Pond:** The Parish Council's responsibilities were discussed.

**40. Footpaths:**

1. It was reported that the signs on a footpath in Cabbage Lane were missing and that a footpath on a field off Cabbage Lane that had been ploughed had not been reinstated. S Hawkins promised to investigate and provide footpath numbers so that the problems could be reported to Eve Wynn at Somerset County Council Footpaths Department.

**41. Newsletter:**

1. Items for inclusion were discussed including the placement of a defibrillator in the phone box in Horsington and a request for help on keeping footpaths clear.

**42. Correspondence:**

1. Connecting Devon & Somerset – Broadband Update – **noted.**
2. Citizens Advice Bureau – Vacancy for Trustee – **noted.**
3. Horsington Primary School – Conversion to Academy – **noted.**
4. SSDC – Area East Bulletin – **noted.**
5. SSDC – Over 50's Sports & Activities – **noted.**
6. Rural Youth Project – Prospectus – **noted.**

**43. Any other business of importance:**

1. Clerk reported that an anonymous letter had been received. This was not discussed.
2. Chairman reported that she had attended the annual meeting South Somerset Together and gave an update including a request that Parish Councils keep a watch out for any vulnerable families in the Parish.
3. Mrs B Mann reported during a recent event at the White Horse the bottom of Cabbage Lane was blocked by cars that had been parked irresponsibly.

**Meeting Closed at 9:00pm**

**Date of next meeting Thursday 8th August 2013.**