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Minutes of Horsington Parish Council Meeting held at St Margaret's Hall on
Thursday 9th April 2015

Public Forum: None.

137. Members present: Mrs J Wood (Chairman), Mrs J Pyne, I Snowden & S Hawkins.

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

Apologies: R Cotes James, Mrs A Clayton, Mrs B Mann & District Councillor T Inglefield.

138. Declarations of interest /dispensations: none.

139. To approve draft minutes as a correct record of meeting held on 12th March – proposed by I Snowden and seconded by Mrs J Pyne.

140. Matters arising from previous minutes:

1. Clerk reported that the issue of the overgrown hedge between the Village Hall car park and the School had been raised with the Highways Department and that they were going to write to the landowner.
2. Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to Mr Hodges about the wall at the Church yard but that no response had been received. I Snowden offered to contact Mr Hodges to discuss the matter.

141. Planning:

Applications: None

1. – extension and refurbishment of existing garage/carport to provide additional ancillary residential accommodation incidental to the enjoyment of the main dwelling together with a small extension to residential – **Councillors noted that, if permission was granted, the applicants would enter into a legal agreement with SSDC not to sell the ancillary accommodation separately. Councillors still thought that the proposal was over development of the site as cited by SSDC when planning application 14/02405/FUL was refused in July 2014.**

Determinations:

1. 15/00528/FUL Mr I Skinner, Pumpkin Cottage, Cabbage Lane, Horsington – erection of a garage and creation of a new vehicular access (Retrospective) – granted – **noted.**
2. 15/00652/LBC Mr A Morrish, 43A, South Cheriton – replacement windows to front (south east) elevation – granted – **noted.**

Other: None.

142. Finance:

1. Cheques authorised:

000959 £127.70 SSDC – Play Area inspection reports 2014 - 2015.

000960 £40.00 Community Council for Somerset – Subscription 2015 - 2016.

000961 £150.00 S Hawkins – Grass cutting at the Churchyard, memorial and large play area.

2. Money Received: £75.00 for the interment of Mrs Morrison.

143. Play Area:

1. It was agreed that some of the play area equipment would need painting. S Hawkins will investigate what paint is required.

144. Cemetery / Churchyard:

1. Chairman reported that there was a problem with the Chapel, where the roof meets the wall. Clerk confirmed that the Chapel was included on the Parish Council's insurance policy. It was agreed that Councillors would inspect the Chapel before the next meeting.
2. Chairman reported that the wall and railings at the Cemetery need attention.
3. It was agreed that a charge of £50 for cleaning and preparation should be made when the Chapel is used at services at the Cemetery.
4. It was agreed that the Clerk should print notices regarding the water canisters at the Cemetery.
5. S Hawkins reported that there was a problem with rabbits in the Church yard.

145. Horse Pond:

1. I Snowden reported that he had concerns about the new tree but that Westree had inspected it and reported that it was OK.

146. Footpaths: nothing to report.

147. Newsletter: nothing to report.

1. Various items for the next issue were discussed including the replacement of the tree at the pond.

148. Correspondence:

1. The Balsam Centre – Thank you letter for donation - **noted.**
2. South Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau – Thank you letter for donation – **noted.**
3. Somerset County Council – Temporary closure of A357 at Templecombe – **noted.**
4. Somerset Community Foundation - Newsletter – **noted.**
5. SSDC Health & Wellbeing – Newsletter – **noted.**
6. Somerset Waste Partnership – Newsletters – **noted.**
7. Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance – Thank you letter for donation – **noted.**

149. Any other business of importance:

1. Clerk reported that Richard Cotes James would not be standing for re election in May as his main employment was no longer in the Parish and so he no longer qualified to be a Parish Councillor for Horsington / South Cheriton.
2. Councillors expressed their disappointment at the number of Parish Councillors who attended this meeting and the Annual Parish meeting on the same evening.

Meeting Closed at 9:00pm

Date of next meeting Thursday 14th May 2015