

**DRAFT**

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

**Open Forum: none.**

**147. Members present:** Mrs J Wood (Chairman), C James (Vice Chairman), Mrs J Pyne, Mrs B Mann, W Candy, S Hawkins & D Chapman (Clerk).

**Public present:** County / District Councillor W Wallace & PCSO J Winfield (arrived at 9.00pm).

**Apologies:** Mrs A Clayton & District Councillor T Inglefield.

**148. Declaration of Interest / Dispensations: none.**

**149. To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March as a correct record**

- Proposed by S Hawkins and seconded by C James. Passed unanimously.

**150. Matters arising from previous minutes: none.**

**151. Planning:**

**Applications:**

1. 13/00761/FUL Mr & Mrs D & A Clayton, Land Behind Lower Bank Cottage, Behind Hayes, South Cheriton – construction of a detached dwelling with garage and parking – amended plans to reflect reduced height of garden wall – 5 Councillors had no objections and 1 Councillor abstained due to concerns about the siting of the access to the road.

**Determinations:**

1. 13/00761/FUL Mr & Mrs J Burney, Woodside, South Cheriton – erection of a garage / plant room – granted – **noted**.

**Other: none.**

**152. Finance:**

1. Cheques authorised:

000876 £127.20 SSDC – Play Area Inspections 2012- 13.

2. Money Received: £50.00 headstone for Penelope Jane Masters and £425 for the purchase of Grave numbers G21 & G22 and the interment of R Vincent.

**153. Play Area:**

1. Mrs B Mann reported that she had inspected the play area and there were no problems.

2. The SSDC quarterly inspection report was reviewed and its contents noted.

**154. Horse Pond:**

1. The amount of silt in the pond and the water levels were discussed. It was agreed to leave the sluice gates at their current level for the next month and then review the situation.

**155. Footpaths:**

1. Mrs J Pyne reported that Eve Wynn had installed a new gate and stile in Marsh Lane.

2. It was reported that a Mr Colebatch had installed gates on some footpaths and it was agreed that this was helpful to walkers. Clerk to write to Mr Colebatch and thank him.

**156. Newsletter:**

1. It was suggested that Mrs Clayton could look at the newsletter produced by Abbas & Templecombe Parish Council for any items that could be of interest to Horsington Parish.

**157. Correspondence:**

1. Wincanton Sports Centre – Thank you letter for donation – **noted**.

2. SSDC – Invitation to meet Crime Commissioner for Avon & Somerset – **noted**.

3. Somerset Waste Partnership – Newsletter – **noted**.

4. SSDC – Somerset County Council Elections – **noted**.

5. Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance – Thank you letter for donation - **noted**.

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

1. Chairman reported that there was a lot of moss in the grass in the cemetery. It was agreed that Steve Collins could scarify the grass to try and remove it. C James offered some fertiliser.

2. C James reported that he was in the process of refurbishing the Parish notice board by the primary school and that some new Perspex was required. Mrs Wood offered some Perspex that she had and it was agreed that, if this was not suitable, Mr James could purchase some.

3. C James reported that it was W Candy's 87th birthday the day before. All Councillors wished Mr Candy a happy birthday.

4. Mrs B Mann stated that The Parish Council could advertise events free of charge in the Villager magazine. It was agreed that the 2014 Annual Parish Council meeting should be advertised there.

5. C James raised the matter of fitting out the telephone box in Horsington so that books could be kept there. It was agreed that he would liaise with Mrs Mann who knew someone with some 'formica' type wood.

6. PCSO John Winfield gave an update on recent thefts and incidents in Horsington and the surrounding area.

**Meeting Closed at 9:25pm**

**Date of next meeting Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2013.**