

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**ERLESTOKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held in the Parish Church Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at 7.15pm**

**Present:** Councillors,  
Mr. S. Jonik (Chairman), Mr. A. Pinnington, Mrs. D. Oram, Cllr. R. Gamble

**Open Forum:**

**Mr and Mrs Johnson – Dogwood farm – re E/2012/0334/FUL**

The Johnsons introduced themselves to the council. There is existing permission for a two bedroom bungalow on the site in question and the footings have already been put down. The new plan is to raise the ridge height by two metres and build a two storey house instead of a bungalow but on the same footprint.

**Mr G Phillips** firstly noted that the amendment required to the minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February open forum report which should read that the item regarding the bin in the bus shelter was raised by Mr Gilbert and Mr Jonik not Mr Phillips. Secondly he asked if the council will be looking into producing a Neighbourhood Plan.

**33/12 Apologies** - Apologies were received from Cllrs Moore and Lewcock and the local Police.

**34/12 Declaration of Interest** - No declarations were made.

**35/12 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012**

The minutes of the meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February were accepted after the amendment to the Open forum minute as per Mr Phillips comments above.

**Proposed** Cllr Pinnington      **Seconded** Cllr Jonik      All in Favour

**36/12 Planning –**

**Applications for comment**

**E/2012/0334/FUL** – Dogwood Farm (formerly South Farm) Erlestoke – Erection of agricultural workers dwelling.

The council supports the application although they feel that the description of the type of dwelling is incorrect and should say principle residence rather than an agricultural workers dwelling.

**Proposed** Cllr Pinnington      **Seconded** Cllr Oram      All in Favour

**37/12 Highways issues to include Parish Steward tasks**

Could the council find out what is happening about the replacement Erlestoke signs and check the siting of the signs when they are erected. With regards to the White Gates the council will await further correspondence from Wiltshire Council

**38/12 Safety of children crossing the road to get the school bus**

Cllr Pinnington had passed through a village recently where parents had erected signs saying children crossing 20mph limit. Although not legal they seem to have the desired effect. Could the clerk find out about the possibility of Erlestoke having designated crossing areas like Bratton.

**39/12 Erlestoke Prison issues** – No report

**40/12 Devizes Area Board and Devizes Community Area Partnership**

Next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May 2012 at Devizes Sports Club from 7pm

**41/12 Annual Parish Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

The clerk reported that all invitations had been sent out and Cllr Jonik said he would prepare a flyer for delivery to all the village houses.

**42/12 Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations June 2012**

Cllr Jonik advised that the plans for Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> of June were as follows:

10am - walk or fun run round Erlestoke, 2pm – Activities in the park, fete, dog show, and photographer

Mugs are being ordered for all the children of Erlestoke and there will be a cricket match sometime over the weekend.

**43/12 Grant applications**

Repairs/resurface base of swings – The clerk was asked to formally obtain quotes and apply for grants.

**44/12 Matters ongoing**

Moving of play area sign, Sub station, Water House,  
Memorial to Roger Hampton – The church had responded saying they didn't think a request for a plaque would be agreed by the church authorities but perhaps the Parish Council could plant a tree in Rogers's memory in the park. The council will discuss this again at its next meeting.

**45/12 To consider items of Correspondence - None**

**46/12 Section 137 Donation requests**

The 4 Villages Link, Three Villages Minibus, St Johns Ambulance  
The council resolved to award a grant of £25 to the 3 Villages Minibus.

**Proposed** Cllr Pinnington      **Seconded** Cllr Jonik      All in Favour

**47/12 To confirm the Financial Statement for February and March and accounts for payment**

The statement for February and March was agreed and the following agreed for payment:

Mrs A Whittle – Hours and Expenses April - £247.04

HM Customs and Excise – PAYE month – 1 - £44.40

**48/12 To receive reports from Village Representatives**

**Cllr Jonik** advised that the Police had caught a number of people fishing in the MOD lake in the woods and motocross riders riding through the woods.

**Cllr Oram** advised of a badger set in the Secret garden

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

**The next meetings,  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2012  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
at 7.15pm  
in the Village Church.**

**Annual Parish Meeting  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012  
at 7.30pm  
in the Village Church.**