

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ERLESTOKE PARISH**  
**COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2006 AT 7.00 P.M. IN**  
**ERLESTOKE VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllr. J. Foote, Cllr. M. Gilbert, Cllr. S. Jonik, Cllr. R. Loraine-Smith, Cllr. J. Morgan, Cllr. P. Sinnett-Jones and Cllr. D. Turner

**28/06 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:** A long discussion took place and finally Cllr. Turner nominated Cllr. Foote, which was seconded by Cllr. Gilbert and carried. Cllr. Foote agreed to his nomination and took the Chair.

**29/06 APOLOGIES:** An apology for absence had been received from Wiltshire County Councillor Pat Rugg.

**30/06 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:** Councillors were reminded to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in any business arising at the meeting. Cllr. Sinnett-Jones declared a personal interest in the Future Arrangements for the Post Office in the Village.

**31/06 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated, it was proposed by Cllr. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Loraine-Smith and unanimously agreed they be signed as a correct record.

**32/06 MATTERS ARISING: Future Arrangements for the Post Office in the Village:** The Clerk presented some brief notes following her meeting with Mr. Graham Simmons of the Post Office. It had been hoped that Mr. Simmons would attend the Annual Parish Meeting, but this had not proved possible. The present Post Office would close after Christmas and following discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Jonik and unanimously agreed to defer a decision until after the Annual Parish Meeting when views of the Parishioners could be sought.

**33/06 FINANCE: (a) Balance at Bank:** The balance on the Reserve Account stood at £4,266.66 and £100.00 on the Current Account.

**(b) Precept:** A payment by KDC for £1,763.00 had been received which represented half of the annual precept.

**(c) Cleansing Grant:** A Cleansing Grant had been received from KDC for £100.00.

**34/06 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:** It was proposed by Cllr. Jonik, seconded by Cllr. Loraine-Smith and unanimously agreed that Cllr. Morgan be elected as Vice-Chairman and she duly agreed to be nominated.

**35/06 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Footpaths & Website:** Cllr. Jonik agreed to continue to represent the Council.

**Footpaths:** Cllr. Gilbert would continue to represent the Council.

**Police:** Cllr. Sinnett-Jones agreed to represent the Council.

**HMP Erlestoke & Play Area:** Cllr. Morgan agreed to represent the Council.

**MOD:** Cllr. Loraine-Smith agreed to represent the Council.

**Devizes Area Forum:** No representative at the present time.

**36/06 PLANNING: (a) Planning Application No. K/54338/F Brounckers Court Farm, Lower Road:** Conversion of redundant dairy/garages to holiday let: Councillors raised no objection to this Application.

**(b) Application No. K/54290/F South Farm, Pudnell Lane: Proposed extensions and alterations to dwelling, garage and stables:** Councillors raised no objection to this Application.

**(c) Application No. K/54315/F South Farm, Pudnell Lane: Change of Use of Land and the Provision of Stable Block, Menage and Access Road:** Councillors raised no objection to this Application.

**37/06 DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:** The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2006 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.