

Puddington Parish Council

Minutes of the 177th Meeting of Puddington Parish Council, held on Tuesday 4th May 2004 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors: K Webber (Chairman), S Hicks, C Grainger and G Ingram
Clerk: G Lewis
Councillor M. Lee, DCC
6 Parishioners

1. To receive apologies for absence.
Councillor Margaret Squires DCC
2. To approve the minutes of the last meeting
 - 2.1 Prop. Cllr Hicks. Seconded Cllr Grainger.
3. Election of Officers
 - 3.1 Chairman Gerry Ingram
Prop Cllr Webber Sec Cllr Hicks All agreed.
Finance Officer Steve Hicks
Prop Cllr Matson Sec Cllr Grainger All agreed
Vice Chairman
Deferred to July
4. To receive correspondence
 - 4.1 A list of correspondence received was provided with items of interest identified.
5. To consider Planning matters
 - 5.1 An application for permission to remove a large shed and to construct a stable and garage at Chapel Orchard had been reviewed by the council and approved.
6. To consider financial matters
 - 6.1 An Invoice for £38.98 to cover Election expenses from May 2003 had been received from MDDC. The raising of a cheque to cover this was proposed by Cllr Webber and seconded by Cllr Hicks, all approved
 - 6.2 An invoice from the Allianz Cornhill Insurance company for £207.21 relating to the 2004/2005 local council insurance had been received. The raising of a cheque to cover this was proposed by Cllr Webber and seconded by Cllr Hicks, all approved.
 - 6.3 The balance at the bank was reported as £1623.07 of which £1141.26 is P3 grant.

7. To consider items from the public
 - 7.1 There was an enquiry regarding the 30mph speed limit. Councilor Lee DCC said that the application was at the head of the list of proposed changes.
 - 7.2 The condition of the verge between Eastacre and Allen's Cottage was raised and it was agreed the a letter would be sent to MDDC.

8. To consider items from Neighbourhood Watch
 - 8.1 John Breading reported that the various signs around the village were covered by third party insurance. Information from North Devon would also be given to Puddington NW.

9. To consider items from Councillors
 - 9.1 Cllr Webber raised an issue regarding the verge between The Oaks and Smith's Farm. Since the hedge has been trimmed it looks possible to widen the road by scraping back the verge. This would be raised with MDDC.
 - 9.2 Cllr Matson reported that considerable work was being done by the P3 around although none in Puddington as yet. This raised some discussion over the grant money and it was agreed that the council would look into the cost of producing footpath guides for parishioners.

10. To consider items from the Chairman
 - 10.1 Cllr M Lee DCC was congratulated on his new position.

11. Any other business
 - 11.1 None

12. Date of next meeting
6th July 2004 in the Village Hall at 8.00 pm

The Chairman then closed the meeting

Signed..... Date.....
Chairman