

AVON DASSETT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at the Reading Room
Shire on Monday 3rd July

Present: C. Worrall, L. Hope-Frost, K. Martin
R. Watts + Clerk,

In Attendance: Cllr. C. Williams.

1) Apologies: D. Whittlesea. L. Gunter

2) Declaration of Interests: None.

3) Confirmation of Minutes: The minutes of the
previous meeting were proposed as correct by
L. Hope-Frost and signed accordingly by
C. Worrall.

4) To Receive Questions from Public: None

5) Matters Arising:

a) Burial Ground:

i) Ray Randerson has topped the grass
of all the Burial Ground + the verges.

ii) Severn Trent have advised (by phone)
that further to their letter of the
17th May, that they have no objection
to a suitable fence on the boundary
line, subject to approval of design,
but could not contribute towards the cost.

It was decided not to proceed at this
point of time, maybe in the future, if
funds are available. Severn Trent to
be advised accordingly.

iii) Application received from 'The Memorial
Firms' to install a memorial in the
Burial Ground for Harold Harris.

A discussion ensued as our rules
(copied from those of Fenner Compton)

ACTION

Clerk

Clerk

LHF

5) Matters Arising (continued)

Stipulate the head stone should be of local stone. It was felt that as the Burial Ground was not adjacent to the Church and that local stone does not weather well a degree of flexibility could be allowed and that the proposed memorial (within the parameters of size) being polished black granite with gold lettering be sanctioned. Clerk to advise together with fee of £100 (to A/D.P/C)

ACTION

Clerk

b) Play ground.

C. Worrall advised that "Talbot Battlements" had been ordered from Wicksteeds and although the costs had risen, discounts had varied leaving the price as before (£6368-62).

C. Williams advised that sums totaling 50% had been approved as a grant and would be authorised on the 19th July. Clerk should submit invoice to C. Woods after this date requesting grant monies as outlined in previous letter, enabling the invoice to be paid by the 31st August.

Clerk.

It was thought that the concrete base on which the safety tiles were to be adhered was inappropriate and it was hoped that the plinth could be dispensed with and pegs / staples could be used instead.

Clerk to discuss this with Les Pace of Wicksteeds.

Clerk

C. Worrall hoped that the working party who were to erect the equipment could

JTH

also demolish and remove the slide and base to the old merry-go-round. (Ali Fraser + K. Martin)

Comments were made as to the health of the new beech tree, which had failed to come into proper leaf. The amount of rain fallen since it was planted seemed to nullify a shortage of water. It was understood that "Green Interiors" who had supplied it would take a look.

c) CHURCH CLOCK

Kevin Martin advised that Len Shaw had visited and checked the clock and was of the belief that he could repair it without too much outlay.

d) NEWCOMERS WELCOME PACK

Deborah was not at the meeting but it was believed that she was getting on with the pack quite well.

e) VERGES

A letter had been received from N. Wild of Works. C.S. thanking the Council for its generous offer of £1000 towards the cost of re-kerbing, but still maintaining that the Council's budget did not allow them to fund the work. Councillor C. Williams kindly offered to take this matter in hand.

Chris W.

b) CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Deering's - Orchard Lodge, - Amended forestry scheme to proposed stable block - No objection.

b) Result of Appeal by R. Rowson on refusal to build a house next to Poppy Cottage - Dismissed.

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Correspondence - continued

- c) Linda to rear of Old Rectory. - action of
"wooden stable" - Permission granted.
- i) The Clerk advised the meeting (in her capacity as Secretary of the A/D Fete Committee) that the Committee were willing to fund the purchase of two litter bins of the "stratted" type @ £180 each (excl. VAT which could be reclaimed by the Council). Clerk authorised to contact David Tilley to arrange Clerk.
- ii) Avon Dasset Fete Committee had turned aside a request from the PLC for a £50 donation to Barbury Citizens Advice Bureau. Nevertheless it was proposed by Kevin Martin and seconded by C. Womall that a donation be made solely by the Parish Council of £50.
- iii) Letter from S.D.C. re purchase of roses under the World Peace 2000 Rose Project. Proposed by Kevin Martin seconded by Linda Hope-Frost that the Clerk arrange to purchase 9 roses @ £1.75 each + delivery for 2 small beds at entrance to village + fence @ Burial Ground. Clerk
- iv) Letter from Warratshire C.C. re checking of information to the current Parish Community Plan. This had been done prior to the meeting by the Clerk + Linda Hope-Frost. 5 Definitive copies had been requested. G. Matthews had agreed
- v) Ken Wiggett had replied to our letter stating that the unkempt area ^{of grass} is

Correspondence - continued

Park Close was under the ownership of South Warwickshire Housing Association. However, Alan Kessey, Senior Maintenance Officer of S. Works H.A., stated that they no longer have this land which should have been taken over by the Council when the Close was adopted some years ago. Clerk to write further to Ken Woggett

Clerk

7) Financial Statement

The Bank Balances as @ Friday 30th June were as follows: C of C £58-72 credit
Dep 9/6 £8928-00 credit

The following cheques had been drawn.

- 1) MEB Reading Room - £36-08
- 2) M. Edgington - Pay - June - £52-10
- 3) " " Expenses - £20-49
- 4) M. Harris - Mowing - June - £65-00

All the above were proposed by Kevin Martin and seconded by L. Hope-Frost

The Clerk advised that all Books + Documents had been delivered to Stratford D.C. for the Audit

Any Other Business

a) Best Kept Village: It was pleasing to note the Aston Dassett had won "Best" in the Small Village Section of Southern District. There would be an award on the 30th Sept.

b) Millenium Chart G. Matthews had agreed to approach Mrs Kelsey at "the right moment" to discuss the progress of

LHM

Action

The Millennium Chart

The wording for the Playground Sign was decided as follows:

"The Playground equipment has been provided by the Parish Council for the use of children under 12 years of age.

Dogs are prohibited from the Playground except when accessing the foot path."

Linda would pass this on to Fred Wright.

L.H.F. Linda has placed an article into the Fete Programme wishing the Fete well in July. She also mentioned ^{within the article} that the Public were welcome to sit in @ the Parish Council Meetings

K.M. Stated that the trees opposite the Catholic Church were causing a problem, growing rather large and making the houses behind them very dark.

Clerk to contact Technical + Amenity Services @ Stratford D.C. with a view to having ~~the~~ the lower branches removed and a general thinning.

Clerk.

Date of Next Meeting as agreed by all Councillors would be:

Monday 7th August @ 7.30 pm

Reading Room

(Advance Apologies from Kevin Markin)

Meeting closed @ 8.45.

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7/8/00.

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