

IWERNE MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

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**DRAFT Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held in the Abingdon Hall on
Wednesday 7th May 2008 commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

PRESENT Councillors Dianne Benfield, (Chairman)

Mike Jones, John Hooper. (Vice Chairman), Terry payne, Deborah Croney, (IM & NDDC) Rob
Smith and Angus Campbell.

IN ATTENDANCE Derek Stanley (Clerk) also Home Watch Geoff Peters, Chris Nadin, (Climate
Change) and 6. Members of The Public.

1758. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Jill Ball

1759. THE MEETING **The Chairman** opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

1760. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council's meeting held on 2nd April 2008 be
approved. Also signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

1761. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES a) Noted that bus times had been more clearly
displayed. b) No other matters of report.

1762. ELECTIONS. The Clerk took this part of the meeting :-

a) Chairman:- Proposed Cllr John Hooper. By Cllr Terry Payne, Seconded Cllr Mike
Jones. **b) Vice Chairman.** Proposed Cllr Dianne Benfield By Cllr Hooper, Seconded Cllr
Payne. Both of these proposals were supported by all members.
Cllr Hooper gave a vote of special thanks to Cllr Dianne Benfield for the high level of work done
over the past 9 years and assistance to residents generally. Members spoke in favour of this
resolution and recorded thanks accordingly.

1763. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS.

a) 08/0314. 2 The Terrace, Watery Lane. Single storey extension. Supported.
b) 08/0431. 6. Oakwood Drive. IM. Single storey extensions. Supported.

1764. RECREATION:- The Vice Chairman reported that there were no specific problems, however
there was a need to provide and lay bark fill to certain areas. This was duly agreed.

1765. ROADS AND TRANSPORT It was reported that a) Minor repairs had been completed as
requested and other repairs were in hand. b) Works to The C13 had now been completed. c) Pot
hole complaints would be passed to DCC c) Survey of traffic in Old School Lane -- not solved,
to be reported to the Police. d) Letter from Terry Brown as to speeding, e) Water cover outside
'Old School House, repairs to be requested. f) Sign repairs awaited.

1766. VITAL VILLAGES:- Cllr Croney Reported on NDDC and their activities and a report on
this matter was included. (See NDDC report)

1767. PARISH PLANNING AND DESIGN. Cllr Payne indicated that some action was in hand. He
asked Members to note the request from The recent Parish Assembly for some improved surface
fronting the notice board. Cllr Smith agreed to consult the Highway Authority as to the legal
position. Action to be taken if possible.

1768. HOME WATCH. Mr Geoff Peters reported there were problems as follows:- A. No Ringmaster recorded. B Contact with new residents being moved on. C. Signs at £30 each as to the Home Watch scheme. Consider later. D Consider 20mph limit for all ares other than A350.

1769 CONSERVATION. CLIMATE CHANGE. It was indicated that a meeting with interested parties was held at Clayesmore School, Other Parishes were invited. The Clerk agreed to contact DAPTC's to give publicity to this excellent idea. A further meeting is to be held 25th June 08, as a follow up.

1770. RIGHTS OF WAY. A report on matters in hand from Cllr Hooper was noted.

1771. REPORT from COUNTY COUNCILLOR. Cllr Angus Campbell.

- a) Expenditure.
- d) Rural Services network. Changes were noted.
- e) Travellers and their well being was noted.
- f) A scheme to repair Durweston bridge was detailed.
- g) A new Director of Education had been appointed.

NDDC. Cllr Deborah Croney. A full note of matters in hand would be filed with these minutes. Also the Clerk was asked to write to NDDC and Post Office about the closure of 'pay phones'

1772. COMMUNITY PLANNING. Cllr Jones made a brief report on progress and a meeting later in the month.

1773. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED DURING APRIL

A list of correspondence received during a April08 was referred to by The Chairman and duly noted by Members (see list attached to the agenda..)
The Pay phone was under threat in the Post Office -- The Clerk was asked to write a strong letter of objection. All agreed.

1774. ACCOUNTS & BALANCES

a) Accounts be authorised for payment :-

	£
Clerks Salary. For 4 weeks	148.00
Offices expenses	<u>40.00</u>

A/c.549. Total for payment ----- £188.00

550. Abingdon Hall Rent----- £20.00

551. Cllr Payne Hall costs. ----- £5.11

552. DAP & TC Annual fees. ----- £202

Precept Received £4250 ALL NOTED AND APPROVED.

b) Hall Windows. The Clerk reported progress with funding for the window repairs in Abingdon Hall. The Cost would be £7000 (inc £ 934 VAT) Members agreed this expenditure and authorised the Clerk to order the work asap. -----RESOLVED.

Payment via Precept £1500. DCA £ 3500. DAP&TC's £1500. VAT £1000.00

1775. AOB a) **Next meeting 4th June 2008.** b) **Village Web site.** Members were pleased to receive a demonstration of a possible web site for village use. By Ian Watson -- It was

thought to be excellent and well worth following up at a future meeting. Members were aware that North Dorset DC assisted the Parish with a Parish Council Site. Both with editing and layout. **The meeting ended at 8-43pm. Sigd**