

Minutes of a meeting of **TELSCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB COMMITTEE (Sub-Committee of Policy & Resources)** held on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2009** at 7.30 pm.

**PRESENT**

Councillors: Mr J Livings (**Chairman**)  
Cllr T Armour (**Vice-Chairman**)

Village Members: Mr A Baker, Mrs M Botting, Mrs P Harwood,  
Mr V Harwood, Mrs J Kersten-Harwood,  
Mr D Thompson

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors: Mrs B Sawyers  
Village Members: Mrs N Goodman

279. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2009/10**

Cllr T Armour proposed Cllr J Livings as Chairman. Seconded by Alan Baker and it was

**RESOLVED** by the Committee that Cllr Livings be elected as Chairman for 2009/10.

Alan Baker proposed Cllr T Armour as Vice-Chairman. Seconded by Cllr Livings and it was

**RESOLVED** by the Committee that Cllr Armour be elected as Vice-Chairman for 2009/10.

280. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2009**

Minute 277, page 1488 – Cllr Livings questioned this item following a request from the former Town Clerk to review the situation regarding a comment in the Chairman’s Report concerning the Cockney Evening that had not taken place. The Committee noted that the former Town Clerk had written individually to them and that in hindsight the fault lay with themselves. Although the former Town Clerk had been keen to organise a Cockney Evening, they were reluctant for it to go ahead and should have told her at the time. The event had therefore been cancelled due to their lack of enthusiasm and they felt an apology was in order. Cllr Livings commented this had put him in an awkward situation as the Committee had agreed his Report which had been read out at the Annual Town Meeting for which they also apologised. It was felt that an apology to Mrs Verrall should therefore come from the Committee and the wording for the apology was agreed. The minutes of the meeting were therefore approved by the Committee and signed as correct by the Chairman.

281. **MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 277, page 1488 had already been discussed.

Minute 274, page 1487 – Mr V Harwood stated that in his opinion the drains did not need relining and facilities were needed so they could be rodded.

It was noted that at a recent event in the Village Club, a lady was locked in the toilet when the handle broke and that the water heater was not working in the ladies toilet. The Committee **agreed** that the Town Clerk should write to Strutt & Parker requesting repairs be carried out.

## **281. Contd. Matters Arising**

The Chairman updated the Committee regarding possible changes to the new community bus service, including flexibility in the coverage and use of the free bus passes on the service which was welcomed by the Committee.

Regarding potholes, the Chairman advised that these were down on the list to be repaired by East Sussex County Council and they would also be painting a '30 mph' sign on the road when there is a dry spell. The Committee felt that 30 mph was too fast and would prefer to see a 20 mph limit through the village. They felt that prevention of traffic through the village would be the ideal solution and the road should be gated off and wondered if this would be possible. The Chairman advised that the Report on the Tye recently carried out for the Council covers this area and the full report and actions would be discussed at the next relevant meeting.

## **282. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer reported that the Village Club account stood at just over £4,000 after payment of the following:-

Water rates £83, electricity £56, oil £435 and a fire check £68

and receipts as follows:-

A booking deposit £100, profit from the quiz night £170, a yoga weekend £180, a wedding £250.

## **283. BOOKING SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Booking Secretary advised that a villager was unhappy that a marquee had been placed on the spare ground opposite the Village Club for a wedding at the weekend as this prevented access to his studio. He felt he should have been consulted first and subsequently complained to Strutt & Parker as he has a right of access over the land. Another villager said they have the same right of access and following discussion it was felt that the land in question should be registered as a 'village green'. It was **agreed** that the Town clerk obtain the appropriate forms from East Sussex County Council.

Following discussion the Committee agreed that the marquee had been larger than anticipated and if one was to be used in the future, the size should be limited. It was also felt that future bookings should be listed on the agenda so that all villagers were aware of what was taking place

The Booking Secretary advised of 3 future bookings being, Strutt & Parker's AGM in July, a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party in November and a family gathering on Boxing day.

## **284. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Installation of a new notice board was raised and the Chairman advised the committee that this would be placed on the next Policy & Resources agenda in July for approval. Following discussion the Committee **agreed** they would prefer the noticeboard to be located beside the gate outside the Village Club.

**284. Contd. Any Other Business**

It was felt that an additional key should be purchased for the main front door of the Village Club and Cllr Armour advised that he knew of someone who could make a key. The Committee **agreed** that the Town Clerk should request Strutt & Parker to consider covering the cost.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

**The Chairman advised the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 for 8.00pm.**

Signed .....  
CHAIRMAN – Cllr J Livings