

## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 17th January 2005

At Curry Mallet Village Hall at 7.30pm.

### **Present.**

Mrs.S.Prideaux

Mrs J Macleod

Mr A Talbot – Williams

Mr R Burrough

Mr G Harvey

Mr A Davies

Mr A Reed

Mrs.B.Manu.

Clerk

Mr D Nelson

County Councillor

Mrs S Steele

District Councillor

Members of the Public - Eight

### **1109 Apologies.**

Nil.

### **1110 Declarations of Interests.**

Nil.

### **1111 Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2004 were approved and signed.

### **1112 Matters arising.**

a. Roads & Footpaths.

Mr Burrough reported that following various consultations Elm Bridge repairs are final and complete and will be left in its current state. Hatch Beauchamp Council have been kept informed. The council felt that a letter of objection needed to be sent to Mr Radford at County offices.

b. Planning applications.

Stewley Holdings. The council hold no objections but wish to confirm that the new south facing wall bordering the highway will be constructed of blue Lias stone to match existing.

Beer Mill Farm. The council hold no objections.

c. Rats.

Mr Davies confirmed that he had spoken to the landowner who is aware of the issue and has laid appropriate bait to the land.

Mr Nelson had to leave the meeting early but approved payment of a grant of £470, for a new notice board, 2 new tubs and refurbishing of the bench.

d. Parish Plan.

Mr Davies confirmed that following a great a number of meetings the plan survey was currently being printed. It is anticipated that the survey will be distributed on Wednesday 26 January to all households. Residents have a period of 2½ weeks to complete the survey with the added incentive of free entry to a £50 prize draw upon receipt of completed surveys. Following analysis it is hoped to launch the plan in July /August.

e. Broken tile on Bus shelter.

Mrs Manu will contact Mr Dibble to try and locate a replacement tile which Mr Reed has volunteered to fit.

**1113 Matters of Report.**

a. Notice Board.

Mrs Macleod had received a quote from a local carpenter which Mr Nelson has approved a grant payment for. Mrs Manu will contact the carpenter accepting the quotation.

b. Website

Mrs Manu confirmed that the matter was still being looked at and will contact district IT department for more advice. Mrs Prideaux will contact current residents who edit the pages, to verify current ownership.

**1114 Finance.**

a. Councillor's Expenses. Nil

b. Cheques for Signature One - 1. £50.00 PCC

**1115 Notifications.**

Mrs Steele confirmed changes are afoot to the recycling plans across the district. She kindly agreed to look into the possibility of a 'plastics' recycling bell outside the village hall.

**1116 The date of Next Meeting.**

The meeting closed at 9.15pm and the date for the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2005 in the Village Hall Committee Room at 7.30 pm.

## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2005

At Curry Mallet Village Hall at 7.30pm.

### **Present.**

Mrs.S.Prideaux. Chairperson  
Mrs J Macleod  
Mr .A.Talbot-Williams.  
Mr A Davies  
Mr A Reed  
Mr R Burrough  
Mr G Harvey  
Mrs.B.Manu. Clerk  
Mr D Nelson  
Members of the Public- two

### **1117 Apologies.**

Nil.

### **1118 Declarations of Interest.**

Nil.

### **1119 Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on January 17th were approved and signed.

Finance

- a. Councillor's Expenses. Nil
- b. Cheques for Signature Two
  - £88.13 Audit Fee 2003-2004
  - £197.11 Clerk Salary

### **1120 Matters arising.**

- a. Roads.

The surface to the 'Chicane' at the entrance to the village was reported as being in a poor state of repair - Mr Burrough to contact relevant personnel.

- b. Footpaths.

It was confirmed that the relevant signs have now been received and Mr Burrough will contact Mr Montague to thank him. Footpath 5/14 was discussed at length. Mr Burrough will investigate the possibility of having the path re-routed although the council felt it would be cost prohibitive.

- c. Planning Applications.

It was confirmed that the council now has a period of 21 days in which to respond to all new planning applications. This will probably lead to a lot more extra-ordinary meetings.

Mrs Prideaux informed the council that Stewley Holdings application has been withdrawn with district.

The application at Beer Mill Farm has been approved.

d. Rats.

Mr Davies reported that he had spoken to the landowner concerned and that it was confirmed that a firm had visited the site and treated the whole area.

Neighbouring residents are asked to ensure that suitable remedies/treatments are also performed.

Mr Harvey confirmed that he had spoken to a number of residents who store feed, who all confirmed suitable action would be taken. Mr Davies proposed that residents give the treatment time to work and volunteered to do a flyer to inform residents.

e. Bridges.

It was reported that Hatch Beauchamp Council are keen to have all bridges listed which would include the bridge at Frog Street. The matter was discussed but it was felt that the idea would mean that we accept all the bridges in their current condition! Given the recent repair to the bridge at Frog Street the council concluded that this would not be acceptable.

**1121 Matters of Report.**

a. Bus shelter.

Mrs Manu confirmed receipt of the grant money (£470) from Mr Nelson which will be used to pay for a new notice board (for council use only), repairs to the bench and some new flower tubs for the green. Mrs Manu will inform approved contractors.

b. Parish Plan.

Mr Davies wished to thank all who had participated and stated that it would now be a while for the data to be analysed. The winner of the £50 prize was Mr A Davies who intends to donate the sum to charity.

c. Flag.

Mr Burrough reported on a liaison meeting of the FLAG with the Commodore, RNAS Yeovilton which he attended on 18 March. The main points being . "RNAS Yeovilton will not be used as a base for the Future Combat Aircraft, a successor aircraft to the Harrier that is scheduled to come into service around 2012. Helicopters will continue to be based at Yeovilton for the foreseeable future and hence operations at Merryfield will remain very much as they are today. The Commodore acknowledged that the Lynx helicopter could be particularly noisy when flying low and fast approaches into Merryfield and undertook to review its operating procedures in order to minimise the noise."

**1122 Notifications.**

Councillors were issued with updates regarding Standards Board Guidance for Members.

**1123 The date of Next Meeting.**

The meeting closed at 8.35pm and the date for the next meeting was

confirmed as Monday May 16th 2005 in the VillageHall at 7 pm. This is the AGM.

## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Extra -Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Friday April 22nd 2005  
at Beercrocombe Bus Shelter at 6pm.

### **Present.**

Mrs.S.Prideaux.                      Chairperson  
Mrs J Macleod  
Mr.A.Talbot- Williams  
Mr A Davies  
Mr A Reed  
Mr R Burrough  
Mrs B Manu                              Clerk  
Members of the Public- Nil

### **1124 Apologies.**

Apologies for absence were received from Mr G Harvey.

### **1125 Declarations of Interest.**

Nil

### **1126 Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on January 17th will be presented at the next scheduled council Meeting on Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **1127 Matters arising.**

a.      Planning Application.

Stewley Holdings 05/00574/FUL. The Parish Council discussed the proposed conversion and extension. The Council are content with the amended plans but do have reservations as the plans lack clarity. In particular:

There is a long range of stabling backing onto the hedge to the north of the property which is not shown on the site plans. The proposed new access will cut through these stables and no mention is made in the application of these building, of whether the remainder will stay on the present site, be relocated on the property or demolished entirely.

Adequate drainage needs to be provided for the dwelling and the stables. This site is very close to the river and on poorly draining land which partly floods at times of heavy rainfall.

### **1128 Date Of Next Meeting.**

Monday May 16<sup>th</sup> 2005 at Beercrocombe & Curry Mallet Village Hall

## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 16th May 2005

At Curry Mallet Village Hall at 7.50pm.

### **Present.**

Mrs.S.Prideaux.

Mr A Talbot - Williams

Mr A Davies

Mr R Burrough

Mr G Harvey

Mrs.B.Manu.

Clerk

Mrs S Steele

District Councillor

Members of the Public- Nil

### **1129 Apologies.**

Mrs J Macleod. Mr A Reed.

### **1130 Election of Chairperson.**

Mr A Talbot-Williams proposed Mrs Prideaux for the position, which was seconded by Mr G Harvey. Mrs Prideaux accepted office.

### **1131. Election of Vice Chairperson.**

Mrs Prideaux proposed Mr A Davies for the position, which was seconded by Mr G Harvey. Mr A Davies accepted office.

### **1132 Acceptance of Office.**

All councillors accepted office and completed declaration forms.

### **1133 Standards Board Code of Conduct.**

The council agreed to accept and adopt the regulations.

### **1134 NALC Standing Orders.**

The council agreed to adopt the NALC Standing Orders.

### **1135 Declarations of Interests.**

Nil

### **1136 Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on Friday 22nd April 2005 and March 21st 2005 were approved and signed.

### **1137 Matters Arising.**

a. Accounts 2004-2005.

Mrs B Manu presented the council with the relevant financial statements and information regarding the previous year's transactions. The council formally approved the accounts and Mrs Prideaux completed the audit Statement of Assurance on behalf of the council.

b. Councillor Roles.

The Councillors have agreed to be council representative for the following:

Homewatch	Mr A Reed
Planning Applications	Mr A Talbot-Williams & Mrs Macleod
Footpaths / Roads & FLAG	Mr Burrough.
Financial Signatories	Mrs Prideaux, Mr Talbot -Williams & Mr Davies.

c. Roads.

Mrs Prideaux reported a number of potholes along Broadbridge, with areas of the actual surface lifting up. Mrs S Steele to relay complaint to Mr D Nelson.

Mr Harvey kindly volunteered to cut the hedge along the top road at the T junction.

d. Footpaths

Mr R Burrough confirmed correspondence with relevant personnel regarding footpath 5/14. Mr G Harvey confirmed that the footpath now has a 5m wide walking area and stated that the landowner does not want amendment to the route.

It was also reported that a number of residents are using undesignated footpaths around the church. Clerk to request more route signs for relevant landowners.

e. Rats.

Mr Davies reported that a lot of work has been done to eradicate the problem which has visibly reduced recently. He also confirmed that a regular treatment is now in place.

**1038 Finance.**

- a. Councillor's Expenses. Nil
- b. Cheques for Signature Nil

**1039 Matters of Report.**

- a. Parish Plan.

Mr A Davies confirmed that data analysis was underway although 13 rogue areas were causing some difficulty. The final publication is still on schedule for the late summer.

**1040 Notifications.**

Mrs Macleod has volunteered to be the official village member to welcome new residents and to issue magazine.

**1041 The date of Next Meeting.**

The meeting closed at 8.50pm and the date for the next meeting was confirmed as Monday July 18th 2005 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm



## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18 July 2005

At Curry Mallet Village Hall at 7.30 pm

<b>Present.</b>	Mrs S Prideaux	Chairman
	Mr A Davies	Vice-Chairman
	Mr R Burrough	
	Mr G Harvey	
	Mrs J Macleod	
	Mr A Reed	
	Mr A Talbot-Williams	
	Mrs S Steele	District Councillor
	Mr D Nelson	County Councillor
	Member of the public	One

### **1042 Apologies.**

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs B Manu. In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs Macleod was asked to take the minutes.

### **1043 Declarations of Interest.**

Mr R Burrough declared an interest in item 5(c).

### **1044 Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 May were approved and signed.

### **1045 Finance.**

Councillors' expenses - nil

Cheques for signature.

Mr Brightwell's cheque for £285 had been delivered to him.

Mrs Manu - the Clerk's salary and expenses for £182.85.

### **1046 Matters arising.**

a. Roads.

Mr Burrough had reported several items for repairs under reference 86007 to the Highways Authority.

b. Footpaths.

Footpath 5/14. a letter had been sent concerning this footpath under the SSDC Footpath Improvement Plan.

Footpaths L5/20 and L5/9. Mr D Nelson said there will be full consultation by the County concerning the future of these footpaths.

c. Planning Application.

Holmans Farm. Mr R Burrough left the meeting. After discussion it was decided there was no objection to this application. In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs Macleod was asked to email SSDC on Wednesday, 19 July 2005 with this decision.

Stewley Holding; FUJI planning permission has been given to this application subject to certain conditions.

d. Recycling.

There was considerable discussion about the new regulations concerning recycling. Mrs Steele was asked to pass on the Parish Council's serious concerns regarding the lack of facilities, for the disposal of cardboard.

e. Notice Board.

The new notice board was now in situ and Mr A Reed agreed to erect the old board on one of the side walls of the bus shelter.

#### **1047 Matters of Report.**

a. Parish Plan.

Mr A Davies said the action plan for the above would be launched on 25 November 2005. Beercrocombe Village Trust had agreed to finance half of the cost of the publication of the Village Plan and the Parish Council was requested to pay the other half amounting to £50. It was proposed by Mr A Davies and seconded by Mr A Talbot-Williams to pay this amount.

Mr Davies concluded his report by mentioning that in discussions between the two villages of Curry Mallet and Beercrocombe it was realised that they had much in common and one of the ideas for bringing them closer was that we should have a joint Parish Council.

#### **1048 Notifications.**

a. Bumper Bundle.

As the circulation of correspondence was taking so long, Parish Councillors were asked to ensure the next recipient on the list was in residence at the time of receipt.

b. Resignation of Parish Clerk.

A letter from Mrs B Manu stating she wished to resign giving seven weeks notice expiring on 4 September 2005 was read out. The Chairman said she would write to Mrs Manu thanking her for her services and also contact her with regard to placing an advertisement for her successor.

Mr Nelson left the meeting.

c. Appearance of village properties.

Concern was expressed about the unsightliness of the dilapidated oil drum outside "Cashel". Sadly there was no action that the Parish Council was able to take to remove this eyesore.

d. Beercrocombe Representative on Village Hall Committee.

Mr G Harvey said that the resignation of Mrs R Collard from the Village Hall

Committee left the village with a very small voice with three villagers from Beercrocombe and seven from Curry Mallet. It was hoped to persuade more villagers from Beercrocombe to take an interest in the village hall and volunteer to serve on the Committee.

**1049 Date of next meeting.**

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm and the next meeting will take place at 7.30pm on 19 September 2005.

## **BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2005  
at Curry Mallet Village Hall.

<b>Present.</b>	Mr. A. Davies	Acting Chairman
	Mr. R. Burrough	
	Mr. G. Harvey	
	Mr. A. Talbot-Williams	
	Mr. D. Nelson	District Councillor
	Mr. M. King	Clerk

### **1050 Apologies.**

Apologies were received from Mrs. S. Prideaux, Mrs. J. Macleod, and Mrs. S. Steele.

### **1051 Appointment of a new Parish Clerk.**

The meeting all agreed to the adoption of the new clerk, Mr. Michael King. There were various documents which were currently kept by the retiring clerk and that an inventory should be made. There were also documents of historical interest concerning Beercrocombe and it was felt that they should be kept within the village.

### **1052 Declaration of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interests.

### **1053 Minutes of the Previous Meeting.**

Under item 1045 of the previous minutes there should have been an entry of £50 for the Parish Plan and the minutes were suitably amended to show this.

### **1054 Matters Arising.**

#### a. Highways.

Mr. Burrough expressed concern over a letter he had received from SCC Highways that if a pot-hole was less than 40mm it was not their policy to repair this. The committee felt that this constituted a danger to motorists and especially cyclists and Mr. Nelson will raise the matter with the Council.

#### b. Footpaths.

All the footpaths are in order. There is a dispute whether L15/20, which is at present a RUPP but might be re-classified as a BOAT. This awaits the forthcoming legislation. A copy of the current footpaths is being prepared and will be circulated to all committee members.

#### c. Recycling.

The new bins are been delivered to the houses in Curry Mallet, still to be delivered in Beercrocombe. It is anticipated that this will happen in the forthcoming week.

d. Village Hall.

Re item 1048(d) of the previous minutes the Parish Council were hopeful that there would be two volunteers to sit on the village hall committee to restore a balance on the committee.

#### **1055 Possible Development at Broadbridge Road.**

The Planning Enforcement Officer has been contacted and is on notice should any unlawful development commence. The site will be monitored by the members of this committee. There were concerns about the various points of access.

#### **1056 Planning Procedures.**

A discussion took place over the recent SALC handout regarding the new planning procedures. It highlighted the new time parameters. It also explained that Parish Councils are obliged to have a meeting prior to the return of planning applications to the Council. It however not defined as to the constitution of such meetings. It was felt that the procedures adopted by Beercrocombe were in line with the policy. However it was felt that any matter would be more transparent if there was public debate. It was decided that non-contentious matters would be dealt with by Mr. Talbot-Williams and Mrs. Macleod. If a third person were needed to make a decision Mr. Reed would do this. The Clerk will liase with Mr. Talbot-Williams in Planning matters.

#### **1057 Matters to Report.**

a. Parish Plan

The Parish Plan is a joint venture between Beercrocombe and Curry Mallet with Mr. Davies on the committee. There is to be a launch in late November.

b. Merryfield.

There were concerns about the extra curricular activities at Merryfield aerodrome. These have included motor racing and rallying. Residents have complained to Commander Seymour about this. The Committee agreed that the normal flying was acceptable and essential but were concerned that at week-ends more activities would take place with the ensuing noise. Mr. Burrough will write to make the views of the Committee felt regarding extra curricular events.

#### **1058 Finance.**

A meeting is to be arranged with Mrs. Manu to hand over the financial matters to the new clerk.

Cheques out.

Cheque no. 300273	Moore Stephens (Auditors)	£58.75
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There were no cheques paid in.

The forms for the precept are due soon so it will be agenda item for November meeting.

There must also be a VAT return later this year.

**1059 Notifications.**

Copy of Flood Plan maps to be circulated to all Councillors.

A Funding Village Halls Work Shop will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> September at Long Sutton Golf Club.

The Clerk reports that he has minutes of SSDC meetings and current copy of Thatch magazine if members need to read them.

As the Chairman is away on holiday and the Vice chair going into hospital Mr. Talbot-Williams will stand in from 19<sup>th</sup> October for three weeks.

It was suggested that next summer a stall be placed on the village green with surplus produce for sale for the Village Trust.

**1060 Date of Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2005 at 7.30p.m. at Curry Mallet Village Hall.

**BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st November 2005  
at Curry Mallet Village Hall.

<b>Present.</b>	Mrs. Prideaux	Chairperson
	Mr. A. Davies	Vice Chairman
	Mr. R. Burrough	
	Mr. G. Harvey	
	Mrs. J. Macleod	
	Mr. T. Reid	
	Mr. A. Talbot-Williams	
	Mr. M. King	Clerk

**1061 Apologies.**

Apologies were received from Mr. D. Nelson and Mrs. S. Steele.

1062 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations.

**1063 Minutes of the Previous Meeting.**

Mr. Reid attended the September meeting and the minutes were suitably amended.

**1064 Matters Arising.**

a. Highways.

The Clerk reported that Somerset Highways circulated a list of work done and scheduled work. The Clerk will circulate this to the committee.

b. Footpaths.

All the footpaths are in order.

c. Recycling.

The new recycling bins have been delivered to the houses in Beercrocombe and at present the dustman are removing extra black bags and cardboard when the grey bins are full.

d. Village Hall.

No matters to report.

**1065 Planning Procedures.**

There were three planning applications to be considered and it was decided that there would be a meeting at Curry Mallet Village hall at 4.00p.m. to consider these matters. The Councillors were to meet at 3.30p.m. to carry out site visits.

**1066 Matters to Report.**

- a. Parish Plan. An endorsement was jointly signed by the Chairs of Curry Mallet and Beercrocombe supporting the Parish Plan. The Clerk is to forward the agreement to the Parish Clerk of Curry Mallet. The Plan will be published in January 2006.
- b. Merryfield Activity; A letter from Mr. Burrough to RNAS Yeovilton was read out and we still await a reply. [This was subsequently received]

**1067 Finance.**

- a. There have been no financial transactions in this period. The Clerk asked where the bank book for the Alliance and Leicester were kept and requested the signatories sign a form for the statements to be sent to the new Clerk. Mr. Davies to ascertain the whereabouts of the book and relevant papers.
- b. A budget analysis was produced for the Precept for 2006/7 and it was formally agreed and the clerk is to sign the necessary forms and send them off.

A joint welcome pack with Curry Mallet was considered using the grant administered by Mr. D Nelson for the sum of £75 and agreed by all the committee.

**1068 Notifications.**

Mrs. McCleod agreed to have the agenda and minutes displayed on the Village notice board.

There was a discussion re the storage of village documents. It was agreed that the Clerk would store the documents relevant to the Parish Council matters and the historical documents would be kept in Beercrocombe. Mr. Davies to look into this matter.

There was a discussion over the Beercrocombe web site for which we pay £21 for and whether the web site was necessary and used. This is to be looked into and consider the future of the web-site.

**1069 Date of the Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2006 at Curry Mallet Village hall at 7.30p.m.