

## **ANSTY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting held in St James's Church, Ansty

on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015 6pm

**1. Apologies for absence:** none

**2. Present:** Chair Margaret Thompson, Cllr Ben Ridley, Cllr Morwenna Brewer, Cllr Juliette Foy, Cllr Julia Davies

Public attendees: Anne Martin, Eileen Fisher Rowe, Mr Wilkinson, James Thompson, Keith Parker, The Penneys.

Wiltshire Councillor: Jose Green

**3. Declarations of interest** by Ben Ridley and Julia Davies

**4. Minutes from meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2014** signed by the Chair

**5. Update from Josie Green** The Budget has been set with no increase to WC's share of the Council Tax. Fire, Police and PC precepts have increased though. (The PC share of precept has increased by 82pence for a Band D household ie by not increasing the PC precept! Setting PC share is affected by benefit claims and single occupancy reductions the number of which may change in any year).

£30m savings need to be found in this next year.

The £40 pa Green Waste collection charge will be introduced in April.

The Car parking review has been completed with various changes. For example on street will see a time increase from 1/4 hr to 1/2hr for 50p and the Culver Street Carpark will still retain the 'free after 3'

The cycle Event which circuits the CHALKE Valley from WILTON via the A30 and Fovant will be on May 9th and 10th this year. A pity it's not further West as villages that the race covers benefit from repair to the roads!

The next SWWAB is on March 25th at Bishopstone Village Hall.

I attended the CATG today at Dinton. The state of the roads remains a huge concern to all. I hope the unofficial layby work on the west side of the entrance road into Ansty is completed soon!

The Footpath, Fingerpost and First Aid Projects are ongoing.

Steve Harris has been informing the attendees of the First Aid training days.

The merging of the Wiltshire and Dorset Fire and Rescue has been completed.

All being well I will be attending your Annual Parish meeting on the 18th March.

**6. Police report:** no police present at meeting although invited

**7. Planning:**

**a) 75, High Street(15/00240/FUL)** – no concerns and plans agreed

**b) Conversion at New Barn Stables(15/00503/FUL)** – Chair Margaret Thompson noted that planning for this building was previously asked for in 2007 with comment from Highways and concern from ANOB. Nothing happened for 2 years then the matter went to committee - and was granted with a lot of conditions. It was surprising that the conversion did not go ahead.

Cllr Morwenna Brewer approves of the development and thinks it sensible and attractive.

Cllr Juliette Foy thought that the building would become a residential development in the future. In view of this Cllr Julia Davies has concern about the access from this property to the A30 as the location is a blind spot. Therefore there is a safety issue to vehicles coming in and out that must be addressed. Cllr Julia Davies also felt that the site was being over developed.

Chair Margaret Thompson has two issues on this matter. Firstly that the first application proceeded so slowly and finally went to committee and objectors were not informed or invited to attend and comment. There is a procedural query on this planning approval and Chair Margaret Thompson thinks that Ansty Parish Council should write to Planning on this matter as it is a cause for concern. Secondly, there is a traffic problem for this location. The A30 project has been completed so there would be no further adjustments to the road.

Chair Margaret Thompson has asked for a further week dispensation on this matter as technically the last date being this day to send in a summarized response to the council on this matter. She agreed to write a response based on issues raised at the meeting and circulate before sending to Salisbury planning.

**8. Village Insurance:** form should be filled in for each event. This insurance can only be used for events which APC is actually involved in and responsible for.

**9. Best Kept Village:** Our winning certificate is on display at APOY which will be followed by the Shield. Does the village wish to enter again in a new category?

**10. Public Queries:**

**Keith Parker** of 65, High St has concerns on speeding traffic going past his house which is very near the road which could encroach on his building.

Cllr Morwenna Brewer said that the traffic going through Ansty is now damaging the fabric of buildings.

**Rob Wilkinson** had an email from Nick Cowan on footpaths. A date will be put on the noticeboard when Derek will show the new metal styles that will be installed. Volunteers welcome to help. State of the Coombe re hedges, verges and manhole covers to be addressed at the next meeting.

**Caroline Plumtre** had a Solar panel enquiry . Enquiry has revealed that Single solar panels are allowed within planning law.

11.Date of next meetings

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 6pm AGM in the church

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 6pm Village Meeting.in the church

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Councillors

Chairman Margaret Thompson

Cllr Morwenna Brewer

Cllr Julia Davies

Cllr Juliette Foy

Cllr Ben Ridley

