

## **LUPPITT ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**Minutes** for the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall at 8pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2006.

**Present: Mrs Joan Beckett (Chairman), Roger Boote, PC Clive Vickery, Cllrs Dalgety, Street, Pulman and five members of the public**

1. **Apologies for absence:**

**Cllrs Andrew Tucker, Tony Selway, Bernard Clapp, Derek Hooper, Cllr David Key (District Councillor).**

2. **Minutes** of the previous meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2005 to be signed as a correct record of that meeting. **AGREED**

Cllr Boote asked who was now driving the Safe Lanes Campaign now the Jupps have left the Village? Mrs Beckett replied that the Blackdown Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership continue to support the campaign and it was taken over by the Chairman of Pitminster Parish Council.

3. **Community Policing**

PC Vickery is assisted by PCSO Phil Anning and took over from PC Dave Lea just over seven months ago. Over the past twelve months there have been 13 crimes reported as against 21 last year. The reported crimes were as follows: 1 dwelling burglary, 3 non dwelling burglaries, 3 thefts from motor vehicles (all in one night), 3 non specific thefts and 3 thefts from motor vehicles – there were also non crime domestic and child protection issues (thankfully none of these resulted in crimes being recorded).

Moorlands Farm generated – 25 calls – 23 out of 25 were missing juveniles, with the other two incidents being crime related – one theft and one assault. Out of 23 missing person reports, 18 were the same girl. Only three girls are now residential, others are day borders (up to 3) and have now changed their policy to long term residency, as opposed to 28 day stays.

PC Vickery reminded that parishioners may always attend the bi weekly library visits to have an informal chat about any concerns they may have. A lady asked if Smeatharpe will be protected by a police exercise 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>

June 2006. There will be a designated telephone number for parishes to get information.

Cllr Dalgety asked how many of the crimes were solved, one was solved – the assault. Property marking is still free and anyone requiring this service is encouraged to contact PC Vickery. One property burgled in Dunkeswell recently had used the service and the crime was solved.

4. **Chairman of the Parish Councils Annual Report – Mrs Joan Beckett**  
**Parish Council meetings**

There have been nine Parish Council Meetings since the last Annual Parish Meeting held in April 2005.

**Planning Applications**

We have dealt with 23 planning applications in the past year.

**Planning Appeals**

There have been two planning appeals; the change of use of a barn to holiday let at Odle Farm/Otters Rise and the conversion of a redundant piggery at Primrose Farm, both of which were upheld.

**Site visits**

There have been three applications requiring site visits this year.

**Donations**

Donations were given to the following organisations during the year;

Honiton and District ring and Ride £50.00

East Devon Citizens Advice Bureau £50.00

Honiton Tourist Information Centre £40.00

Honiton Library Advice and Information centre £45.00

The Packet £80.00

**Rural Aid**

There was no Rural Aid granted this year.

**Footpaths and Bridleways**

The parish received a P3 footpaths grant from Devon County Council of £470 for works on our footpaths and work was carried on footpath 25, and we thank David Street for his work this year

**Roads**

There have been many issues which continue to be addressed – Church Hill and work outside the village hall continues, it is still not established as to whether it is a mains leak or a stream rising up. The lengthsman has done some good work and we thank him.

**Play Park**

Mr Tottle has continued to care for the maintenance of the Millrise playpark and we thank him for his continued good work.

PC Vickery, Dave Lea, cllrs and Nick Nichols who finishes his term of duty of 30th March 2006, David Jupp has resigned a moved away and the vacancy has been filled, we welcome Ms Lesley Dalgety.

## 5. Questions from the floor

A lady asked the first two years previous accounts have been audited – the chairman confirmed that they have and that future years will be kept up to date.

The Water board access chamber outside the Pub has had no lid for some time and despite being reported several times no one has attended – there is a fear that an animal may get a leg down the deep hole - clerk to report

Mr Selway was thanked for putting up a new notice board earlier in the year, as the old board was a commemorative gesture to mark the jubilee it is to be restored and put up at the village hall.

A lady asked if the parish council has a view on the idea of wind turbines at Smeatharpe – Mrs Beckett confirmed that she continues to get environmental and other reports from the land owner. Mid Devon District Council recently refused another wind farm, but as yet nothing has been submitted to the planning authority in respect of Smeatharpe, there have simply been trials and reports so far.

A letter was sent to the meeting regarding the proposed Kart Racing track improvements at Dunkeswell urging parishioners to register objections. The clerk confirmed a full public meeting will be held in Dunkeswell in May and parishioners should attend to gain full information. It will also be on the agenda for the next Luppitt Parish Council meeting.

**Meeting closed at 8.45pm**

**Dates for forthcoming meetings –**

**Parish Council: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2006 8pm – Village Hall**

**Annual Parish Meeting 2007: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2007 8pm – Village Hall**