

WEST HENDRED PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 14th July 2011

Present:	Julian Taylor (Chairman)	PCSO Catherine Johnson
	Amanda Axel-Berg (Parish Councillor)	PCSO Sam Toulson
	Robert Clayton (Parish Councillor)	From 7.45pm
	Richard Evans (Parish Councillor)	
	Sarah Lloyd (Parish Councillor)	
	Julia Evans (Clerk)	

1.	Apologies
	None received.

2.	Minutes
	The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 th May 2011 were reviewed and approved. The Chairman declared a closed session to discuss items from the last meeting.

3.	Declaration of Interests
	None declared.

4.	Playing Field Report	Action:
	The inside of the roadside hedge needs to be pruned. Clerk to speak to Mr Stoter about this.	Clerk
	The clerk confirmed that the bark for the top-up is to be delivered on 22 nd July and the work carried out that weekend. The cost is expected to be around £500. Mr Hutchinson reported that there were some overhanging branches that needed trimming. He plans to do this at the same time as the bark and asked if RC would clear them away.	RC

5.	Police Report	Action:
	PCSO Johnson reported that speed checks had been carried out on The Greenway, although not in the rush hour. No offenders were identified. There was nothing else to report.	

6.	District Councillors Report	Action:
	This was not available.	

7.	County Councillors Report	Action:
	This was not available.	

8.	Matters Arising	Action:
	Parish Plan – A meeting with Anton Nath from ORCC has been arranged for 18 th July to discuss how to develop a Parish Plan. SL suggested that the meeting should be opened up to all villagers. The meeting discussed this and agreed that it should. SL agreed to email everyone in the village that she knew. It was also agreed to put a notice about the meeting on the notice board.	SL/ Clerk
	Land Registry – There has been no feedback on the documents circulated by the clerk.	

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10.	Finance
	Financial information is available on request from the Clerk

11.	Miscellaneous Correspondence	Action:
	SL attended the Rural Housing conference on 11 th July. She gave an overview of the conference. Meeting notes are filed with these minutes. SL informed the meeting that affordable housing developments would be unlikely to affect West Hendred unless it became a cluster with other villages. She also reported that there was a lot of information on the localism bill. Neighbourhood plans were discussed. Although not suitable for West Hendred these would be statutory. SL also informed the meeting that the Standards councillors sign-up to maintain will be changing.	

12.	AOB	Action:
12.1	Planning Policy - The Vale is changing it's planning policy. They need to build another 5000 houses and are looking to move away from towns to villages. RE to email district councillor for more information.	RE
12.2	Digital Switchover – SL was sent an offer of a roadshow to inform people of the digital switchover. The meeting discussed and felt that the roadshow wasn't necessary. It was agreed to publicise in the newsletter and on the website.	Clerk
12.3	Bonfires – JT raised the issue of anti-social garden fires, which of late seem to have been frequent, especially on fine days. Clerk to ask the Vale if there are any rules about when bonfires can be lit.	Clerk

13.	Date of Next Meeting
	The next meeting is Thursday 8 th September 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
	The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Signed

Dated

