## Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th May 2012 at the Moorland Hall

Councillors Roger Webber (Chairman), Linda Atkins, Eric Clarbull, John Davis, Eric Norman, Tim Gardner, Susie Sanders, Marlene Allinson (The Parish Clerk) and District Councillor Steven Pugsley were present

## Public Question Time: no items raised.

175.1 Election of Chairman and Receipt of Chairman's Declaration

of Acceptance of Office: one nomination was received. Cllr Roger Webber was unanimously re-elected as Chairman and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

- **175.2 Election of Vice-Chairman:** Cllr Linda Atkins was unanimously re-elected as Vice-Chairman.
- **175.3** Apologies of Absence: County Cllr Frances Nicholson.
- **175.4 Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Sanders expressed a prejudicial interest in item 6.1 GDO 12/05 Edbrooke Farm as the applicant and left the room for the discussion and the vote on this item. Cllr Clarbull: personal item 10.8 as Chairman of the Moorland Hall Committee: minuted.
- **175.5 Minutes**: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th April were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. Matters Arising: 174.9
- Cllr Webber reported on costs of cycle racks: he is looking into this further to try to reduce costs. Siting of the racks: it was agreed that in sight of the cctv would be preferable.
- 175.6 Planning Applications 175.6.1 GDO 12/05 Edbrooke Farm: prior notification for proposed agricultural track (500m x 3.5m). The applicant spoke under s.12(2) of the Code of Conduct and then left the room. It was resolved to support this application in principle provided that suitable materials are used to minimize visual impact from afar and that the track follows the natural contours of the land as much as possible.
- 175.6.2 6/3/12/108 Brompton Regis: *consultee as a neighbouring parish:* proposed erection of a 24.6m (34.2m height to tip) wind turbine at Riverside Farm, Dulverton. Not supported due to size and visual impact. 175.6.3 No further planning matters.
- **175.7 Highways:** Cllrs Webber and Pugsley reported on a meeting with Highways re repairs to the car park and a meeting re problems at the Wheddon Cross crossroads. Highways have

now marked out the area to be repaired in the car park and WSC/Highways are preparing tender/contract documents. Advisory signs re not turning left at the crossroads are now in place. Cllr Webber reported that tar and chipping in Cutcombe is scheduled for July, and that one side of the drain in Higher Park Lane has now been lowered. Trees at Beulah on the chapel side have now been trimmed.

**175.8 Asset Register**: One change: it was resolved to add on cctv cameras to the Asset Register at cost to Council.

## 175.9 Update on WSC Devolution and Delegation

**Matters:** an e-mail from WSC re dog litter bins was reported: the Clerk to follow up and progress re the proposed replacement of litter bins with 3 dog bins. Cllr Webber reported that WSC are soon to debate possible changes to the toilets:

Cllr Pugsley agreed to follow this up with WSC.

**175.10 Finance:** 175.10.1 It was resolved to pay the PC insurance premium 2012/13 in the sum of £410.85 and to sign the 3 year undertaking provided that a cheaper, but comparable, quote cannot be found in time. 175.10.2 It was resolved to pay £571.48 for the Parish Lengthsman Scheme 2012/13 (not £644) as per the Agenda).175.10.3 It was resolved to pay an invoice from SALC for the Clerk's Financial Update Training in the sum of £20.00, 175.10.4 The internal auditor's report on the 2011/12 accounts was noted and it was resolved to pay his fee of £50.00. 175.10.5 The Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements for the financial year ending 31st March 2012 were noted and the Accounts signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Finance Officer. 175.10.6 It was resolved to pay £34.60 income tax outstanding for 2011/2012 tax year.175.10.7 It was resolved to make up any shortfall in the Jubilee Celebrations costs up to a maximum of £200. 175.10.8 It was resolved to pay an invoice from the Moorland Hall for room hire in the sum of £38.00.

175.11 Report on the Annual Parish Meeting of Electors: Cllr Webber gave a report on the meeting.

**175.12 Correspondence and Meetings:** 175.12.1 The Clerk reported on a letter from Magna West Somerset re a 3 bed property for rent at Meadow Close soon to be advertised: she was asked to write to the Rural Housing Enabler in this regard. She reported that ENPA's rope had been stolen from Snowdrop Valley. 175.12.2 Cllrs had no further meetings or correspondence to

report. Cllr Davis reported that he would like to see Council's support for the Exford Youth Club as it is used by Cutcombe young people.

**175.13 Items for the next Agenda:** None.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.35 pm. The next meeting of Cutcombe Parish Council will held on Tuesday 19th June 2012 at 7.30pm in the Moorland Hall.