

# WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting took place on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2011 under the chairmanship of Mr L Davies with 9 Councillors, Mr Phil Tucker Cornwall Councillor, and 4 members of the public present. The following matters were discussed:

**Dog bin at top of Back Lane** –: the dog bin at Week Green has been removed by person or persons unknown. It will cost Parish Council at least £240 to replace it. Cornwall Council will continue to empty it once replaced. It was agreed to request the anonymous return of the bin. Cornwall Council will come out to find a mutually convenient replacement site for the bin.

**Listing War Memorial:** it was agreed to proceed with the process of listing.

**Mobile home at the Willows:** Parish Council was concerned about planning permission, time limit, sewerage, and building lines. The homeowner reported that the Planning Department had been consulted and a planning enforcement officer had visited the site and had confirmed that it was in order as it was judged to be ancillary accommodation.

**Trees at Regent House:** It was reported that 16-18 trees, some with a diameter greater than 9 inches, had been felled on the site, without application for planning permission. Clerk to follow up with Planning Enforcement. The existence of Japanese Knotweed on the site should also be brought to the attention of planning, and their advice should be sought on future protection of trees within the parish.

**Community Emergency Plan:** Bill Pearce agreed to act as emergency co-ordinator and Mrs M Smith as the deputy. These two plus Clerk to draft the contingency plan which should then be displayed and discussed at the Annual Open Meeting.

**Royal Wedding:** Mr L Davies called a pre-meeting on this matter, but there was zero response from the community, from which it was concluded that there is no interest in celebrating this occasion. Next year's Queen's Diamond Jubilee might be the occasion to celebrate instead

**Annual Open Meeting:** It was agreed to hold the Annual Open on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011 in the Parish Hall. Reports would be displayed before the meeting and reported on briefly. Clerk should invite the Bude Neighbourhood Beat Manager to attend and find a speaker from the Environment Agency.

**Playing Field:** - signs have been put up urging people to shut the gate, and that no dogs are allowed on Playing Field. Play park is still being vandalised, so it is proposed to remove the sides of the shelter under the slide as this has been damaged. Fencing contractors are ready to act as soon as the ground dries enough to allow it. Grant application to Awards for All has been submitted.

**Parish Hall** –. Extension for the Coffee Pot club is in hand. 10<sup>th</sup> July will be 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary lunch

**Tenders for Gents toilet conversion** –Mr I Barriball and Mrs M Smith are preparing a grant application to cover enhanced works to toilet, internet access and computer equipment, and a digital lock, so that the community would be able to book use of the facilities and they would be secure. Clerk to inform those who submitted tenders that there has been a change of plans. Mr P Tucker suggested solar panels and underfloor heating to keep out the damp.

**Correspondence** was dealt with (for full list see agenda on **Parish Notice Board and the village website**)

- Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge : Clerk to nominate WSM playing field to be included in the programme.
- Gas vent at Regent House: issue had been explored and would not be a planning issue.
- Groundwork SouthWest – offer of internet access training free of charge: anyone interested should contact the Clerk.

**Finance** Cheques were raised for the following: Mr JLA Race- Toilet cleaning; South West Water for playing field and public toilets.

**Highways** have been out to look at flooding on the road at Exe, outside Parish hall, and at the Willows/Market Place and hope to act on these issues soon. Clerk to write to Mr Gordon Bate to request him to trim his hedges.

**Planning: The following have been received:**

1. Notice of Grant of Conditional Planning Permission PA10/07824 Single Story flat roof extension to provide additional storage for Coffee Pot Club at Week St Mary Parish Hall for Week St Mary Parish Hall
2. Notice of Grant of Conditional Planning Permission PA10.08365 Removal of existing garage and construction of extension to provide additional bedroom and rebuild front porch for Mr Leigh Loomes, Glen Grant, Week St Mary

**The following planning applications have been received:**

PA11/00687 Change of use of attached storage shed to form kitchen and re-roofing of adjacent shed along with internal alterations for Mr & Mrs Simon Mees at New House, Week St Mary.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2011 At 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

*Nicky May - Parish Clerk*