MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5th MARCH 2012 AT 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL[/heading]

**PRESENT:** Guy Allen, Sid Bishop, David Lomax, Stephanie Penfold, Maurice Spillane, Gordon Wilson (Chairman), Andrew Bennett (Ward Councillor) and 1 member of the public.

1 APOLOGIES

Liz Carmichael, Clerk, and Jonathon Miller

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

David Lomax declared an interest in agenda item 10.4 as he is the Parish Council's representative on the Parish Plan committee and Stephanie Penfold is the Parish Council's representative on the Village Hall Committee.

1 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th February were approved and signed as a true record.

## 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Actions completed

Letter sent from Swindon Borough Council re grass verge on

Church Lane Action: GW Application sent for Best kept Village

competition Action: Clerk

Letter sent to SBC objecting to changes to planning

process Action: Clerk

(Note: Andrew Bennett informed the meeting that a letter of

clarification was on its way to the PC)

Actions ongoing

Contact Grass Roots

people Action: JM

Produce proposal for Village

Sign Action:

GW/DL

Speak to Mo Shaffi about parking in

Purley Action: GW

Grass verge in Church Lane (deferred until April)

SUSPENSION OF THE MEETING FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Kaye Archer addressed the meeting on the subject of the plant

trough in The Street. The question was to either use it properly or return it. The Committee agreed and proposed that at the next meeting an action to fix the structure, empty and refill it would be put before the Council. If that was done, Kay offered to plant it and the Committee were unanimous in appreciating her contribution and call to action.

## MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5.1 Village Sign carried forward to next meeting
- 5.8 Queen's Diamond Jubilee –the sub-committee confirmed that the celebration would take place on Sunday 3rd June.177 houses including ham Road have been circulated with leaflets. Carried Forward: Proposal to approve £250 towards PCC Flower Festival for the Diamond Jubilee.
- 5.2 Communication Maurice Spillane presented a draft fourpage layout for the Liddington magazine as an insert in the Lyden magazine. It was agreed that Maurice Spillane and Stephanie Penfold would create three months of inserts so we have a stock before committing.

Create three months stock of

articles Action:

MS/SP

Speak to Bryan Greenwood about Liddington pages in Lyden magazine Action: MS

## 6. PLANNING

6.1 Application S/11/1742 for Stornoway, Medbourne Lane was approved. It was noted that S/12/0093 for a parking space at 37 Purley Road is a retrospective application and was approved with some concerns re parking on the road.

A letter has been sent to SBC raising concerns about parking at night on Purley Road and to look at safety issues.

- 6.2 It was noted that no planning decisions had been received since the last meeting.
- 7. FINANCE
- 7.1 Account Summary The account summary was carried forward.
- 7.2 The quote from Mark Reynolds for £100 for cutting the playing field hedge was approved.
- 7.3 It was agreed to continue using Stratton St. Margaret PC to provide dog waste service
- 7.4 A grant of £75 to the Ridgeway Link was approved.
- 7.5 A grant to St. John Ambulance was not approved as it would

be inconsistent with the use of funds.

- 7.6 The following were approved for payment:
- Stratton St. Margaret dog bins £7.73
- Clerk's remuneration Jan-Mar £375
- Clerk's administration costs £100
- 7.7 The correspondence received was noted. There were no actions arising.
- 7.8 Information and circulars received were noted.
- 8. WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT
- 8.1 Andrew Bennett advised the meeting that Jackie Moyles has been appointed as Localities Lead.
- 8.2 Andrew Bennett advised the meeting to that the deadline for completion of papers arising from the "Notice of Election" were due. Gordon Wilson will discuss this with the SBC Election Manager.

Action: GW/Clerk

- 9. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS
- 9.1 Playing Field Sid Bishop advised the meeting that he had carried out safety inspections on the play equipment on 9th and 23rd February and there was nothing to report.
- 9.2 Village Hall There was nothing to report.
- 9.3 Neighbourhood Watch Scheme There was no report.
- 9.4 Parish Plan The document is now complete and is going to print. The final cost was £900 plus VAT with generous contributions of £300 from village donors, £500 from Community First and £100 from the Parish Council. The VAT will be claimed back through the Parish Council.
- 9.5 Jeffries Land Trust There was nothing to report.
- 10. PARISH MAGAZINE

It was agreed that the following items be put in the Parish Council's report:

- Leaflets went out to villagers in mid March and there was a great response
- The Jubilee Street Party is in full implementation mode
- Thank the villagers who helped with the clean-up on 18th
  February

Action: MS

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA

During the month Gordon Wilson, the Clerk, Sid Bishop and Guy Allen went to a meeting in Blunsdon on neighbourhood Planning and Localism and Gordon Wilson went to a Neighbourhood Planning Workshop.

Sid Bishop was asked to look at potholes in Medbourne Lane and along The Street and report to the next meeting.

Action: SB

The meeting concluded at 9.50pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 2nd April 2012.