## Wednesday, 6th March, 2013

- An ordinary Meeting of Broadwoodwidger Parish Council took place in the Kennick Room at Lakeside on Wednesday, 6th March, 2013 at 1900 hours. The Chairman, Cllr. Worden, presided. Cllrs. Crocombe, Nobbs and Woodard were present, so the Meeting was just quorate (Standing Order 5). Two members of the public also attended.
- Before the Meeting, Members were addressed by Mrs. Beth Sachs from Torridge District Council on the subject of the North Devon and Torridge Joint Local Plan Draft Consultation Document. Questions followed, and the discussion was felt useful to both sides. The Chairman told Beth Sachs that minutes were not being taken; but Councillors talked further on the matter later on ( see below).
- We were also joined by PCSO Rowe who gave us a briefing on local incidents of crime, then left for St. Giles' Council meeting. She mentioned in particular theft of oil from tanks; also that *Farm Watch* is being set up, with a structure similar to that of Neighbourhood Watch. Free marking of equipment will be on offer. A Co-ordinator for Farm Watch will be required, please.
- The Chairman expressed our thanks to both our guests for attending.
- Cllr. Crocombe proposed, Cllr. Woodard seconded that their apologies be accepted. Carried nem. con.
- 3824 · D/Cllr. Watson also sent his apologies.
- 3825 Minutes of Previous Meetings:
- 3826 · All Councillors had received copies of the Minutes of the January Meeting.
- Cllr. Woodard proposed, Cllr. Crocombe seconded that the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes, taken as read. Carried nem. con.
- \* Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting not specifically included under agenda heading below: None.
- The clerk asked if, before he reprinted Standing Orders amended in respect of the Standards regime adopted at the January Meeting, any Member wish to have any other SO changed. The answer was: No.
- **Planning:** Councillors had a summary of outstanding and recently-completed planning applications, and of headings of applications in neighbouring parishes.
- 3832 Joint NDDC / TDC Local Plan Consultation Document
- · We had been asked by District to send in by 15th March our comments on this 303-page draft plan, only a small proportion of which is applicable to the most rural areas. Attached to these Minutes is a copy of the resultant email, which summarises the Council's discussion on the matter, having regard both to the document itself and to Beth Sachs' earlier briefing. The key word is *Flexibility*.
- 3834 Correspondence: Councillors had the usual summary.
- 3835 **Accounts:**
- Councillors had a copy of the latest figures. By the end of the financial year, these will have changed only by the amounts passed for payment tonight plus the usual eightpence interest from NatWest.

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- 3837
- Bank Mandate Forms: Blank forms were handed to those Councillors who are not already signatories to the Council's accounts. The clerk asked that these be completed and handed back to him as soon as possible.
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- Cllr. Nobbs proposed, Cllr. Crocombe seconded that the following amounts be paid:
- 3839
- · To SWLL: £20, being the hire fee for the Kennick room tonight, and £20 (per invoice) for the hire of the Meldon Room for the January Meeting.
- 3840
- · To Viking Direct, for printer ink: £59.38 (VAT recoverable: £9.90).
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- To the clerk: Expenses since the January Meeting: Mileage: £10.40; Stationery and Equipment: nil; Postage: £2.50; the equivalent of BT telephone rental (two months): £25; Total: £37.90.
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- · Carried nem. con.
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- It was reported that, jointly with St. Giles-on-the-Heath Parish Council, we have bid for monies from the TAP Fund for people to attend first aid courses run by St. John's Ambulance. Grants are based on numbers of Parishioners. Our share is £517.00. It is understood that elsewhere, defibrilators had been included; and Councillors wondered whether we will be entitled to one.

#### 3844

#### Any Other Business

- 3845
- · The dog waste bin on the Village Green will be emptied every two weeks.
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- · Although the Council has only one employee, HMRC have ordained that full paperwork will now have to be submitted every month, instead of annually as at present. This must be done on line; and only an approved computer program may be used. The paperwork will give the clerk vital information such as, *inter alia*, who he is, where he lives, and how much he is paid.
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- An acknowledgment has been received to the email asking for the removal of the electricity meter on the Village Green.
- 3848
- The next HAAG Meeting will be on 29th, not 22nd, April.
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- The dangerous pothole between Grinnacombe Moor and the Watersports Centre has been reported to Highways, and is in the (long) queue for repair.
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- · A sewage treatment plant is being installed to serve the Visitor Centre.
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- Following problems with visitors to Roadford using the portaloos belonging to the contractors on the other side of the road, representations have been made to South West Lakes Trust; and it has been suggested that they install pay loos to mitigate their cost.
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- Following the resignation of Mr. Derek Gow, the statutory Notice of a Vacancy on the Parish Council has been posted on Notice Boards.

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### Dates & Times of Next Meetings:

- 3854
- Thursday, 23 May, 2013: Annual Parish Meeting, followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council. Meldon Room.
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- There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 2028 hours.

