

STEEP PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Mrs. Caroline Robinson

CLERK: Mrs. Jenny Hollington

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 28th May 2012 at Steep Village Hall at 8.30 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. Caroline Robinson (in the Chair)
Graham Banks
Charles Gibson
Jim MacDonald

Terry Cook
Simon Bridger
Jenny Martin

In Attendance: Clerk - Jenny Hollington

There were no members of the Public present.

12/68 APOLOGIES: - Cllrs. Nick Hurst and Suzi Openshaw

12/69 MINUTES – The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th May 2012 were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting and signed accordingly.

12/70 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - The Chairman reminded Councillors that any interests should be recorded as necessary.

12/72 CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

SDNPA/12/0 0077/Hous	Proposed relocation of approved detached double garage and store	10A Hayes Cottages, Steep GU32 1AF	No Objection (with comment)
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12/73 FINANCE

(a) Cheque no 100177 in the sum of £135.00 for the Internal Audit was approved

(b) The Parish Council has been asked to underwrite the cost of the Hog Roast for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations on Saturday, 2nd June. A deposit of £100 has already been paid by a member of the Jubilee Celebrations Sub-Committee - however a further £350 is required on the day. If the weather is good this sum will be recouped but if the weather is bad and the event is not well attended there may be a substantial short fall!

It was AGREED that Steep Parish Council would underwrite the cost of the Hog Roast (but there was a general feeling that it would have been better to have been asked before the deposit was paid!)

12/74 FINAL UP-DATE ON THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Cllr. MacDonald briefly outlined plans for the afternoon which will start at 1.00 p.m. when families are invited to bring a picnic lunch. An afternoon of fun and games will follow as well as a dog show. Tea and cakes will be available from 3.00 p.m. and a Hog Roast from 4.00 p.m. This will be followed in the evening by a bonfire and live music. The full programme has been published in the Village Newsletter.

12/75 FUTURE OF THE CRICKETER'S PUB

The results of the Parish Plan Survey shows that 50% of those that replied wish to see the Cricketer's remain as a Village Pub. However, it is currently run down, rather lacking in personality and the new tenants have already handed in their notice. The Parish Plan Steering Group has asked a small group of

volunteers to look into the viability of running it as a community pub and two meetings have been held to gauge interest and support. Cllr Cook said he was disappointed that only two Parish Councillors were able to attend the meetings (30 people had attended in all) and wished to know whether the Parish Council felt that it was worth volunteers continuing with the feasibility study. This was discussed and it was AGREED that Steep Parish Council wished to encourage every effort made to keep the Pub open.

12/76 CORRESPONDENCE

- Form CSD-1343B – Application to vest charity land in the Official Custodian for Charities – the proposed new Trustee body for the land held in Trust have asked that the title of the land should be transferred by the Parish Council to the Official Custodian for Charities. All options were discussed (as per the note attached) and this was AGREED. The Clerk was asked to check the boundary of the land with the Village Hall (with Land Registry) before signing the paperwork.
- Consultation on appointment of external auditor for 2012/13 – There were no comments.
- Consultation on planning for the future of older people’s mental health services in West and East Hampshire – the Chairman agreed to attend a meeting and feedback information.
- SDNPA – Neighbourhood Planning Survey – Cllr. MacDonald said he would review the questions and circulate his thoughts/comments to Councillors before submitting.

12/77 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – The next Parish Council Meeting to discuss planning will be held after the Village Hall AGM on 11th June 2012.

The meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.