

**Minutes of the meeting of the Sampford Arundel Parish Council held on
Wednesday 7 December 2011**

Present:

Cllr J Lloyd Chair , Cllr John Burgess Cllr R Milton Cllr G Pike Cllr P Bowler
Cllr B Brown Cllr N Tredwin and the Clerk
2 Member of the public attended

90.11 Public Questions - None

91.11 The minutes of the November meeting were signed as correct

92.11 There were no declarations of interest in any of the items for discussion

93.11 Matters arising from November's meeting

The water covers near White Farm have been repaired

The planning applications for Home Farm and Valley View have been conditionally agreed by Taunton Dane Council

94.11 Commemoration of the Queens Jubilee

2 members of the public were at the meeting to offer their opinions on the Councils plans for commemorating the Jubilee

The Chair itemised the ideas that had been put forward namely:

The Community Orchard The Village Name Stones Repairing the Church Clock and a Stone Bench

Each suggestion was discussed, The Community Garden was discounted on the grounds of upkeep once a suitable gift of land had been identified

The Village name stones were favoured due to the fact that the actual stone had been donated and donations from local firms would assist in the name plate

The Church Clock would have been favoured but due to the cost (some £10,000) the Council could not commit sufficient finance to fund the scheme, One Villager was in favour of a trust fund for this, but the council felt this should be dealt with as a separate issue

No one appeared to be in favour of the bench

Therefore The Council unanimously decided to take forward the Village Name stone positioning it on the verge by the Beambridge Public House Car Park

Cllr Brown would act as project manager and the Clerk would ensure that all necessary documentation was in place before work commenced

The Councillors agreed to contribute from Parish Funds £200 towards the Parish Party for the Jubilee

95.11 An electronic report was read out from the Police

96.11 The Precept

After much discussion the Council decided to keep the precept at the same level as last year i.e. £4600 and the relevant papers were signed

97.11 Matters of Report

Fly Tipping on the Old A38 Road Whiteball was an issue and a constant area for fly tipping The council agreed to fund a CCTV Camera for the area with accompanying signs

The drain under the road by the Goyle was blocked – the Clerk to contact the Council

89.11 Cheques were signed as follows:
Clerks Salary + expenses
HMRC for income Tax
The Burial Ground

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm

The next meeting will be Wednesday
17 February 2012 in the Parish Rooms
The Parish Council does not meet in January