

Mere Parish Council

Clerks Report for Meeting to be held on 2nd June 2008

Agenda Items

5b) Sustainable Rural Communities: Review of Rural Issues in Wiltshire: SDC/s press release for the document says: 'This report has been produced by the district council's Sustainable Rural Communities Scrutiny Review Group chaired by Cllr. Catherine Spencer. It makes several recommendations to the new Wiltshire Council when it is formed next year. The report contains more than 25 recommendations, the most fundamental being that the new Wiltshire Council makes rural regeneration a top priority for the county. Another key recommendation is that the £1 million that is expected to be raised across Wiltshire from council tax collected on second homes should be ring-fenced and spent on improving rural services. This is based on findings that, of the 500 second homes in rural south Wiltshire, most are owned by weekenders who contribute little to the rural economy or community life in the villages. The review looked at the role planning policy can play in helping to build sustainable rural communities. It also examined how funds could be found to tackle rural decline and how local people could be more involved in the development of their villages.' The document can be viewed at <http://www.salisbury.gov.uk/rural-review-final-report.pdf>

6 g) Transfer of community assets from Unitary Authority to Parish Council:

It was agreed, at the last Parish Council meeting, to produce a list of assets (apart from housing stock) that are currently owned by Salisbury District Council or Wiltshire County Council:

WCC Depot adjacent to Quarryfields Industrial Estate

Mere Library

Castle Street Car Park

Salisbury Street Car Park

Old band hut in Castle Street Car Park

Public Toilets in Salisbury Street Car Park

Mere Croquet & Boules Club (old bowling club site in North Road)

Information Items

Temporary Closure of UC 783101 Bells Lane, Zeals and Stourton with Gasper

Bells Lane, Zeals from its junction with C380 (old A303 Trunk Road) for a distance of approximately 2,300 metres in a northerly direction to its junction with C278 High Street, Stourton, will be temporarily closed from Monday 9th June for approximately 2 weeks in order to carry out foul sewer trench works and associated resurfacing of carriageway.

Planning Application Decisions

Salisbury District Council has granted permission (with conditions) for the following applications:

S/2008/313 – FULL APPLICATION – REAR CONSERVATORY
5 CLEMENTS LANE, MERE.

S/2007/2581 – FULL APPLICATION – DEMOLITION OF EXISTING ASBESTOS BUNGALOW AND CONCRETE GARAGE AND ERECTION OF TIMBER FRAME BARN STYLE HOUSE AND GARAGE
THE PAX, LIMPERS HILL, MERE.

S/2008/265 – FULL APPLICATION – SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION
EDGEBRIDGE HOUSE, MILL LANE, MERE.

S/2008/312 – FULL APPLICATION – CONVERSION AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING GARAGE TO CREATE TWO BED DWELLING
THE GARAGE AT NORTH STREET, NORTH STREET, MERE.

S/2008/116 – FULL APPLICATION – SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION
BAYCROFT, WHITE ROAD, MERE.
S/2008/120 – FULL APPLICATION – WHITE PVCU CONSERVATORY TO REAR
26 LONG HILL, MERE.
S/2008/303 – FULL APPLICATION – PROPOSED SIDE EXTENSION TO PROVIDE GARAGE AND
OFFICE
RHEOLA, PETTRIDGE LANE, MERE.
S/2008/404 – FULL APPLICATION – CHANGE OF USE OF THE RETAIL PREMISES TO
RESIDENTIAL AND THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SHOP FRONTAGE WITH MERE STONE AND
TWO SASH WINDOWS TO MATCH THE ORIGINAL
10 CHURCH STREET, MERE.
S/2008/447 – FULL APPLICATION – REPLACEMENT GARAGE ROOF AND CONSTRUCTION OF
CAR PORT.
BARNESFIELD HOUSE, PETTRIDGE LANE, MERE.
S/2008/487 – FULL APPLICATION – TWO STOREY AND SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION
8 CLEMENTS LANE, MERE.
S/2008/505 – FULL APPLICATION – SINGLE STOREY & TWO STOREY EXTENSIONS AND RAISE
ROOF OF EX-STABLES
WHITEHILL COTTAGE, SWAINSFORD, MERE.
S/2008/544 – FULL APPLICATION – ERECT 2 STOREY SIDE EXTENSION
FURZEHILL, MILL LANE, MERE.
S/2008/616 – FULL APPLICATION – REPLACE PORCH AND CLOAKROOM TO REAR OF
PROPERTY
BOOT COTTAGE, SALISBURY STREET, MERE.
S/2008/617 – LISTED BLDG (WKS) – REPLACEMENT PORCH, DOOR & CLOAKROOM
BOOT COTTAGE, SALISBURY STREET, MERE.
S/2008/684 – FULL APPLICATION – ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR & SIDE EXTENSION
MAGNOLIA HOUSE, 3 LOVAGE WAY, MERE.

Newsletters, Periodicals, Magazines

Clerks & Councils Direct, April & May 2008 issues.
CPRE South Wiltshire Group Newsletter – Spring 2008
Local Council Review – The Official Journal of National Association of Local Councils –
May 2008
2007/2008 Wiltshire Criminal Justice Board newsletter.
The Clerk – The Journal of the Society of Local Council Clerks – May 2008
Transport Times & Telegraph Newsletter – April 2008 edition
Wiltshire Wildlife – May 2008 – newsletter
Natural World – Spring 2008 (Wildlife Trusts)
What's On – Wiltshire Wildlife Trust Events: Spring & Summer 2008