Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council March Meeting

The Council were pleased to hear that the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations are now being finalised for Sunday 3rd June. The Church bells will be rung at 3pm with the Church service to take place at 3.30pm. This will be followed by tea and celebrations in the Village Hall at approximately 4.30pm. The Parish Council agreed to support these celebrations financially.

Suggestions for a proposed Diamond Jubilee Memorial on the Park Piece Land are still under discussion by the Council and it was agreed that further investigations into various possibilities should be pursued and brought to a future meeting. Phase 1 of the work at Park Piece Land is now almost complete and everyone expressed their complete satisfaction with the development so far.

The Council discussed the suggestion that a Neighbourhood Development Plan should be compiled for the village. The Borough Councillor, Liz Watson, was present at the meeting and she endorsed the suggestion as this would help with discussions on future Planning Applications and provide some leverage. Lengthy guidance on the compilation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan produced by the Council for the Protection of Rural England, in conjunction with the National Association of Local Councils, is now being considered by council members.

A Planning Application for a replacement dwelling at Little Wilbur, Broadwater Road had been granted. There had been no objections.

Finances included payment for initial training for the new Clerk who had been appointed at the February Meeting. The new Clerk was welcomed to the meeting and Glynis Allen, the retiring Clerk who was also in attendance, was thanked for all her hard work in her time of office which had been greatly appreciated.

The Police Liaison Officer was not present at the meeting but had reported a small number of incidents over the previous month. These unfortunately included a theft of heating oil from one property.

Council members discussed the issues relating to Marine Planning and Reference Area and it was agreed comments should be sent to the various stakeholders for their information and consideration.

The next meeting of Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council will he held on **Tuesday 17th April 2012** at 7.30 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend and put their comments and questions to the Councillors during 'public participation'.

Christina Jones, Clerk to Holme Parish Council