

Dolton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held Monday 19th May 2008 ,7.30pm in Dolton Village Hall

Present: Cllr J Lock (Chairman) Cllrs Boyes , Burnage, Byrne , Grigg , Partridge , Rolls ,
the Clerk Mary Harris ,9 members of the public. Sue Briant- Evans (Chulmleigh
College)

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Giles and Jury

2. Sue Briant – Evans , Governor from The Community College , Chulmleigh

The Chairman introduced Sue Briant – Evans , who spoke to the meeting about the educational ,
leisure , and social opportunities available at the Community College.

In particular Sue talked about the Business and Enterprise Centre and the opportunities for both pupils
and the community to access quality ICT equipment in high numbers. Sue considered that for every
two pupils . there was a PC station. The school had 600 on the roll.

The Optime Learning project was an opportunity for the local residents to access short courses in both
ICT and leisure courses such as horticulture and salsa dancing both within the confines of the college
and also in several outreach centres within the ditrict. The closest to Dolton , seeming to be Winkleigh.
Sue mentioned that access to a youth mobile bus was possible for the young people of Dolton should
the Parish consider it to be appropriate.

The school had a wealth of marketing literature designed to inform the community within 200 square
miles – a point that Sue made in order to stress the impact that advertising had on the college
newsletter. This newsletter was distributed every 2 weeks and covered both school and community
topics.

Sue concluded her talk by highlighting the marketing material contents and supplying the meeting with
the leaflets.

The following questions were then asked:-

a) Cllr R Lock asked “how do the College distribute the newsletter ?

Answer : primarily through the pupils – a form of the “school bag” system whereby each pupil took a
copy home

b) D.O'Brian discussed the comparison between the use of ICT and books and book clubs as a
learning mechanism and wondered if the school used the latter learning aides.

Answer : he was assured that there are books , there is a library and the staff and pupils do use books.

c) Cllr Boyes asked if the school could offer courses at degree level.

Answer : the school does not have a 6th form as yet so they are some way from achieving college or
university status

Cllr.Burnage thanked Sue Briant- Evans for her interesting talk

3. The minutes of the annual parish meeting held 21st May 2007 (having already
been approved) were read. There were no matters arising.

4. Chairman's report – Chairman gave his report for the past year, a copy of which
is attached in the minute file.

5. Any other business: none

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.00pm.

signed.....Chairman.....dated

