



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 9th MARCH 2017

PRESENT Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)
 Cllr Neill Child (Vice-Chairman)
 Cllr Cherry Brooks (District Councillor)
 Cllr Barry Quinn
 Cllr Christine Evans
 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire
 Cllr Julie Wright

APOLOGIES County Cllr Lovell
 Cllr Laura Miller (District Councillor)

IN ATTENDANCE 7 Members of the Public
 Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. Public Participation Time.

- a) Mrs Ham reported that the Police would like to encourage more people to use Dorset Alert. This is an email notification system which sends out information from scam warnings to crimes that have occurred locally. Even though it is a low crime area the Police are using this system to enhance community liaison. Neighbourhood Watch leaflets were distributed to attendees of the meeting and it was agreed the leaflets will be delivered with the spring newsletter to all households within the Parish.
- b) Mr Willgress has noticed the bridleway is frequently used however he is concerned that some dogs are out of control and are chasing deer. He suggested a sign stating the countryside code should be erected. Cllr Cady explained the increase to the deer population has been discussed at the Parish Council's meetings recently and more culling should be considered. However, Mr Willgress believes the number of deer has decreased. Cllr Wiltshire said that the Police were slightly dismissive when their advice was sought at a previous meeting. Mr Willgress said it would be difficult for people to abide by the law as on the site there are various areas that are common land or SSSI and they have different legislation regarding restrictions for dog owners. Cllr Quinn explained that SITA have fenced off the area where they are quarrying.
- c) Mrs Lobb announced the resignation of Mrs Barnes as Secretary to the Village Hall Committee. They are looking for someone to replace her especially as Mrs Lobb is not online so cannot send and access emails. Cllr Cady said the Parish Council are 100% behind the project and will advertise the vacancy in the newsletter and there will be an article asking if anyone has any available land.
- d) Mr Willgress has read a press report that the Binnegar Environmental Park is being considered to have a facility to manage black bag waste. It was confirmed that it will not be for black bag waste. Cllr Brooks said there is currently a mothballed facility there and it is easier to re-open it rather than building a new one. It is licensed and there will be no increase in lorry

movements than what it is currently licensed for. The Environment Agency is aware of the water runoff.

- e) Mrs Lobb has received a letter from Royal Mail stating that her address should include "Church Lane" and she asked the Parish Council if they are able to look into the issue. Cllr Cady advised that the matter would have to be dealt with by Royal Mail.

Councillor Quinn had another meeting to attend therefore some of the agenda items were moved forward.

13. Village Hall Update

The Parish Land is covered by both the Enclosures Act and the Village Green which are both Victorian legislation. It is currently untested as to whether it can legally be built on therefore advice from a barrister was sought. The advice the barrister gave appeared to be regurgitated information that the Parish Council had already provided. Due to the limited funds that the Committee have, it was deemed inappropriate to apply for planning permission. It has been agreed that the barrister will do follow up work for no extra charge as the current bill for £2160 is still in dispute.

Alternative land may be required either as a potential site or for a land exchange. Mr Whitmarsh has composed a letter to be sent out to all landowners asking if they have any possible parcels of land approximately ½ to 1 acre. There is a proposal to assign an architect to draw an artist's impression of a potential building that can be shown to residents so they can see what the Committee are fundraising towards. It was asked how much the land is worth and it has been valued at approximately £9,000. It was agreed that either Cllr Brooks or Mr Whitmarsh would speak to Mr Bond to see if he could either extend the lease on the original village hall site or have another available piece of land. It was also suggested to contact Mr Drax to see if he has land and if he can help liaise with the Minister.

2. Apologies

Apologies were accepted and approved for County Councillor Lovell and Cllr Miller.

3. Granting of Dispensation

No applications for a dispensation had been made

4. Declarations of Interest

None.

5. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 2nd February 2017

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 2nd February 2017 were approved as a true account. The minutes were then duly signed.

6. Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Brooks said another meeting has been arranged for the Planning Department to meet the agent dealing with 6/2016/0728. The culvert on the corner of Wood Street and Bindon Lane seems to be running clear but debris maybe caught up caused by a neighbouring property.

7. Planning Applications or Planning Information received

- a) **6/2016/0728 - Manor Farm Caravan Park – Revised Plans.**
Demolish existing shop and erect detached three bed house with attached single garage and office.
 The Parish Council have no comments or objections to this planning application.
 - b) **Waste Plan Consultation - Waste Site Options in Blandford and Purbeck (Ref B).**
http://consult.dorsetforyou.com/portal/waste_site_options
 Cllr Quinn said County are keeping their options open regarding the sites. Waste is currently transported to Wales therefore they are seeking a more locally based system as the nearby landfill sites have been closed. The site at Binnegar site is to initially handle commercial waste rather than household. The current recycling facility has been mothballed and it is not intended to be open in the next 6-12 months.
Action: Cllr Brooks to obtain more information before submitting the Parish Council's response to the consultation.
- 17a Notice of determination - application to vary a premises licence (PL0270) under the Licensing Act 2003 – Lulworth Castle & Grounds, East Lulworth, BH20 5QS. The Bestival Festival will take place on 7- 10th September 2017.**
 The license for Bestival has been granted, however, there are various conditions. The traffic management plan will be different compared to Camp Bestival as most of the festival goers will use public transport or coaches. All the local Parish Councils will be represented at the meetings. The company will hold wash up meetings and a website will be set up in order for residents to obtain more information. There will be a Community Engagement drop-in evening where the local community can ask LoudSound questions and it to take place on the 28th March at Lulworth Castle. There is awareness that there will be issues with drugs, therefore there will be a Police presence. The site would operate a "lock in" system for the majority of the revellers except for a small percentage who will have day passes. The Army is scheduled to undertake live firing at the ranges and this will not change due to Bestival. Numbers have been capped at 35,000 people and there will be noise consultants on site.
- 8. Update on Previous Planning Applications or planning information**
 No updates were given.
 - 9. Reports from County and District Councillors**
 - a) **County**
 There were no updates from County
 - b) **District Councillor Brooks**
 - i) Purbeck was one of three District Councils who voted against supporting the unitary proposal and these Councils have submitted an email to the Secretary of State.
 - ii) A Housing White Paper has been recently published and this may ease the way for development of more houses. The Purbeck Local Plan Partial Review has now been renamed to Purbeck Local Plan Review. One of the aims is to establish an Infrastructure Forum which will comprise of five Local Forums. It will have a mixture of stakeholders, including landowners and

developers. A Question and Answer session will be run at The Purbeck School on 16th March.

- iii) A large cycle race will take place on Saturday 6th May starting and finishing at the Tank Museum.
- iv) The Army is expecting a large number of personnel to be posted here.
- v) SITA will be undertaking a recruitment campaign and will be advertising locally to encourage more people from the area to apply.
- vi) Jenny Lobb was presented with a certificate at the Volunteer of the Year Award Ceremony held on 2nd March.

10. Police issues to report or update on issues reported.

No updates were given.

11. River Frome Issues

No updates were given.

12. Hethfelton Woods Update

- a) Cllr Wiltshire has contacted Trevor Bradley for an update and the Clerk will distribute it to the Councillors. A traffic light system has been used and the Great Plantation is shown as red. This indicates that it is unlikely to be included in the Draft Mineral Sites Plan as an allocation, due to the various constraints affecting it. However, it must be noted that it is not the final view, and has not been agreed by Members.
- b) Pigs have been grazing in Hethfelton Woods and have also been spotted near Longthorn and the woodland behind the Stokeford Inn. Cllr Wiltshire noticed the pigs escaping on the 6th March and were heading towards the A352. Due to the safety issue both the Police and owner were contacted. The fencing used is a two strand low lying electric wire which is live, but there are no warning notices. As this is a popular area for family walks the Forestry Commission needs to be notified that signs are needed. The track leading up to where the pigs are kept has become inaccessible due to the ruts created by the Landover and trailer accessing it on a daily basis.

Action: The Clerk to contact the Forestry Commission.

14. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

It was resolved that the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were adopted.

15. Spring Newsletter

The Spring Newsletter will be distributed the week commencing the 10th April. Articles to be included are a Police update, Hethfelton Woods, Village Hall, Volunteer of the Year and the new bridleway. Cllr Cady has walked along the bridleway and has noticed it is not hardstanding all the way around which makes it difficult to access in wet weather without suitable footwear.

Action: Cllr Brooks will investigate if it is possible to have the entire route made hardstanding.

16. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

Cllr Quinn has reported a damaged 40mph sign near at Stokeford and a Wool Parish Councillor has reported the damaged drain at the Woolbridge roundabout.

- b) Footpath to Monkey World
No updates were given
- c) Other Issues
Signs have been displayed regarding conferences at Hethfelton House.
Action: Cllr Brooks to make inquiries.

18. Consultations for consideration or New Items for Discussion/Consideration

- b) Second homes audit. PDC would like to find out how many second homes there are in the District. Returns should be completed by 31st March. PDC is looking at how Cornwall and in particular St Ives is dealing with second home ownership. An audit is currently being undertaken to see how many properties are second homes, which is classed as homes where people live elsewhere and the residence is only used on an occasional basis. It was agreed that the Councillor's would submit a list of the properties to the Clerk who will then consolidate the return.
Action: The Clerk to submit the return.
- c) Purbeck Local Plan Review - February 2017 Update. There will be a public question and answer session on Thursday 16 March from 5.00pm until 6.30pm at the Purbeck School in Wareham.
This item was discussed 240/9/b/ii

18. Correspondence Received

All of the following items of correspondence were circulated prior to the Meeting.

- a) Local Government Reorganisation update. Proposal is to create two new unitary councils. **Noted.**
- b) 2017 Royal Garden Party. The representatives from Dorset's town and parish sector this year are Gillingham Town Council and Buckland Newton Parish Council. **Noted.**
- c) Purbeck School - Headteacher Recruitment. They have appointed Adam Darley as the new Headteacher.
Mr Darley is currently their Deputy Head.
- d) Planning Training - Monday 6 March. This training for Councillors is run by PDC. **Noted.**
- e) Training dates for DAPTC courses in 2017 - available to book now. **Noted.**
- f) Flood Warden Newsletter Winter 2016/17. Information given on the different flood warning codes. **Noted.**
- g) Win an Apple iPad Mini! - NALC Tree Charter Survey. a new Charter will be launched for Trees, Woods and People on 6 November 2017. The new Tree Charter will set out a series of guidelines and principles on how our local communities and trees can best benefit one another. **Noted.**
- h) LEADER European grants programme information. Initiation to attend a forum to take place on 7th March at Beaminster Town Hall. **Noted.**
- i) Peer Power and the Dorset Renewables Grand Tour- 4th March 2017. The event is being organised by Regen SW and is supported by the County Council and The Dorset Energy Partnership. **Noted.**
- j) Proposed closure of B3070 at Holme Level Crossing. These works are programmed to take place on Sunday 26 March 2017, between 00.30hrs and 08.00hrs. **Noted.**

- k) Proposed closure of East Stoke Level Crossing. It will commence at 23.45hrs on Monday 27 March 2017 and finish at 06.45hrs on Tuesday 28 March 2017, a period of 7 hours. **Noted.**
- l) Village Hall, Youth and Community Centre Conference - 21st March 2017, The Hub Verwood. **Noted.**
- m) One booking per council can now be made for the DAPTC annual conference on 23 March 2017. The closing date for bookings is the 13th March. The cost will be £60 per member. **Noted.**
- n) Purbeck District Council agrees its council tax for 2017/18. There will be an increase of around 10 pence per week (£5 for the full year) in Purbeck District Council's portion of the council tax for a Band D household. **Noted.**
- o) Purbeck Heritage Network meeting. It will take place on Wednesday 22 March, 10am – 1.30pm at Kimmeridge Village Hall. **Noted.**
- p) Dorset Police Rural Crime Survey. The survey can be completed at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DPRuralWeb>. **Noted.**

19. Finance

a) Payment	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment February Salary	£202.12	000534
Dorset County Pension Fund	£47.05	000535
T. Lee Landscaping	£900.00	000536

It was **resolved** that the above payment schedule was paid.

The cheque to Felicity Thomas for £2160 was not authorised due to the invoice being disputed.

20. Items for Information or next agenda

- a) Cllr Cady has noticed there is more than one "For Sale" sign board for a property near Kemps Hotel.
Action: The Clerk to email the Estate Agent to remove additional Signage.
- b) There has been a licensing service for the new Vicar, Revd. Carol Langford, who has taken over at Holy Rood Church.
- c) The War Memorial needs to be cleaned it was suggested to contact the British Legion and the War Memorials Trust.

21. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th April at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.00hrs.

Chairman:Date.....