

## **MINUTES OF EAST STOCK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2008.**

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### **PRESENT**

Cllr Simon Cross – Chairman  
Cllr Rebecca Cady – Vice Chairman  
Cllr and District Cllr. Barry Quinn  
Cllr Tib Axon  
Cllr Neill Child  
Cllr Paul Whitmarsh

### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Adrian Cullinane  
County Councillor Mike Lovell

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

1. Wind Turbines – Dave Littlewood handed out information leaflet to each Councillor regarding a dispute over a wind farm in Ross-shire. Adrian Naylor of Sunnydale also handed out two copies of DVD relating to noise of turbines, these to be returned after Parish Councillors had viewed. All people present wanted to know if the Parish Council had heard anything further on the expected planning application for a wind farm. Chairman Simon Cross said that no application was to hand and re-iterated his comment of the previous meeting that the Parish Council at the present time cannot express any opinions on the anticipated application as this would constitute a prejudicial interest if any application subsequently came before the Council. He recommended that people start thinking about any Action Group that they may want to form. Wool Parish Council had already had a meeting in the D'Urberville Hall with William Bond and a representative from DART present to discuss the wind farm but no comments from this meeting had been received by the Parish Council. Those present asked to be informed when the Parish Council received any application. Barry Quinn to ask Mike Grime to advise him when an application is received. Lynn Littlewood asked if the Clerk could email her when the application is received @ [dav.lynn@btinternet.com](mailto:dav.lynn@btinternet.com). As the Clerk would be on holiday in February Barry Quinn offered to contact Mrs Littlewood if the application was received at that time. The Chairman confirmed that once an application was received a meeting would be held to discuss this item alone. It was possible a leaflet drop would be made to each property in the Parish advising them that a meeting was to be held. District Councillor Barry Quinn confirmed the application for anemometer mast would be discussed at the full planning board meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none for this meeting

**MINUTES** of last meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December as already circulated were signed as a correct record.

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

1. Bindon Lane – Barry Quinn confirmed he had emailed Mike Lovell about the recent accident reported at the last meeting. He had received no reply and would chase. Simon Cross advised he believed the culvert on the corner was blocked which may be causing the problem of lying surface water. Paul Whitmarsh suggested that DCC carry out a camera survey of the problem. He also advised that he had informed Blair Turner about this problem and would contact him again. PMU's had also been informed of the problem.
2. Binnegar Lane – Barry Quinn advised he had emailed Andy Ackerman of DCC but no response had been received. Wessex Water had been out to look at the problem but after investigation it was found the problem was not due to a broken main. Barry Quinn to chase Mike Lovell.
3. War Memorial – Paul Whitmarsh advised posts had still to be erected. He had been in hospital over the holiday period and was unable to complete the task. Barry Quinn advised the War Memorial Trust had reminded the Parish Council that provision should be made annually for a maintenance sum to be provided to make sure the memorial is kept in good condition and did not deteriorate. Sum provided in this year's budget set at £100.
4. Heritage and Historical Project – Barry Quinn confirmed that he had had to cancel meeting due to be held the day before for personal reasons. He would be getting together with Ian Hewitt and Sara Grayson to work out when progress could be made. Clearance of the site would be needed before righting of stones but the ground was too wet at the moment. He advised that the Pillbox Trust had been in touch as the pillbox on the site of the village hall was not on their national database. They would be coming to view.
5. Village Hall – Awaiting demolition.
6. Notice Boards – Barry Quinn confirmed he had tried to chase over the Christmas period with no success. He had also telephoned but had no luck. Barry Quinn to call in the following day.
7. Purbeck Keystone Project – Clerk advised Newsletter No. 5 had been received. Two copies handed to Barry Quinn, one being for Pete Burden.
8. Parish Land – Simon Cross confirmed he had heard nothing from Mr Cheeseman from DCC. Clerk to send email reminder to Chairman. Clerk advised that Tenancy at Will document had been received back from Drs. Lyons and Caesar signed and dated. Document filed.
9. Parish Poll – Clerk advised that invoice had been received from PDC totalling £496. She also advised a letter had been received from Auditors BDO Stoy Hayward who advised that Parish Councils do not have the power to make payments for parish polls. Chairman Simon Cross commented that at the Parish Council meeting held in September 2007 Mr John Barnes agreed to underwrite any bill the Parish Council received for holding the parish poll up to an amount of £500. He suggested that the Clerk send the invoice to Mr Barnes, Luckford Wood House asking him to settle with a cheque made

payable to Purbeck District Council. Clerk to email Peter Aston advising him of the action taken.

10. Names for Minor Roads – Neill Child had completed task. He asked the meeting if they considered that the lane running from the junction of the B3070 via the ford to Holme Lane should be called “East Holme Lane”. The Council agreed. It was suggested that the lane running from West Holme Nursery through to Holme Lane should be named “West Holme Lane”. The Chairman suggested the Clerk write to owners of properties in this lane asking if this name meets with their approval.

## **PLANNING**

1. 6/2007/892 – Masters North Sand Pit, Gallows Hill – Development of land without complying with condition 1 and condition 13 of planning permission 6/2002/041 to extend the end date of the inert landfilling facility and to correct the name of the operator.

After discussion the Parish Council felt that in view of the planning applications that are presently pending in the vicinity of Puddletown Road relating to the Binnegar Park Environmental Site, the Council are concerned that the lorry movements under this application which were acceptable in 2003 may not now be so. Therefore the Parish Council would respond to County Council requesting that a new Traffic Assessment be undertaken before this application is considered. This assessment should look not only at the applicant's lorry movements but also incorporate other available data of traffic movements in the area.

2. 6/2007/516 – Enhancement of Binnegar Quarry. Letter received from Alliance Planning together with new traffic assessment dated 21<sup>st</sup> December from Mayer Brown. Letter stated that copy of Assessment had been forwarded to DCC for further consideration and they would shortly be consulting with all the Parish and District Councils now including Broadmayne Parish Council and West Dorset District Council. DCC would also be sending copy of new Traffic Assessment asking the Parish Council to comment by a certain deadline. Alliance Planning had sent the Parish Council a copy for early consideration. Chairman Simon Cross to peruse. Letter had been received from Bere Regis Parish Council asking for a meeting of Chairmen to be held to consider the issue of the Environmental Park. Simon Cross to contact clerk J. Ruddock direct.
3. 6/2007/931 – Mr Muspratt and Mrs S. Mead – Land at Longthorns Farm – Change of use of land from a rally field used by the camping and caravan club to a field for the temporary siting of up to 11 tipi tents for holiday accommodation. Councillors noted that although the application stated that the accommodation was to be “temporary” it did not specify when or how long the temporary period would be. Therefore the Council considered this application to be incomplete as it lacked essential detail that should have been provided with an application of this type. The site was at present understood to be licensed as a rally site for up to 28 days in any one year and therefore this change of use intimated that permission is sought for tipi tents to be used for longer periods throughout the full summer season. This point should be clarified. The Parish Council considered a Certificate of Lawful Development is needed which would mean a full planning application should be lodged

which would include the proper toilet and shower facilities required. Therefore the Parish Council objected to this application. Clerk to inform case officer Philip Payne.

**PLANNING LETTER** received from Mike Grime, Head of Development and Building Control, regarding review of arrangements for dealing with planning applications. These changes to be effective from 29<sup>th</sup> February. Under the new revised Scheme of Delegation, referral of a planning application to the Planning Board will only occur when there are objections from both the Parish Council and a local resident contrary to the recommendations of the planning officer.

Also stated in the letter applications sent to the Council after 29<sup>th</sup> February will have a maximum period of 21 days to respond. The 21 expiry date will be stamped on each application form. This could mean that Councils have to meet more than once a month. The Chairman felt this was unacceptable and a letter would be written to Mr Grime. On more substantial major applications the deadline for comments may be extended. Over the next 12 months Councils will be able to receive planning applications electronically.

## **BUSINESS OF MEETING**

1. County Councillor not present at meeting.
2. District Councillor Barry Quinn advised that budgets for the forthcoming year were now being considered by District Council.
3. Parish Plan – Nothing further to report.
4. Highway Issues – Nothing further to report.
5. Annual Audit – Document Issues Arising Report received after completion of audit stated the two issues raised were Reserves and Internal Auditor's Recommendations. The Auditor felt the Council's balances held in the current and savings accounts should be reduced if the Council was not saving for a large purchase. The accepted level of reserve should not be more than twice the level of the precept. Clerk prepared list of financial commitments of the Parish Council which totalled £3550. The balance in the current account at 29<sup>th</sup> December was £5701 which left a balance of £2151. Clerk to write letter and enclose list of Council's financial commitments. Amount held in savings account to be ring fenced for village hall project.
6. Precept – Clerk prepared budget for 2008/09. After discussion Simon Cross proposed and Barry Quinn seconded that the precept be set at £5250. All agreed.
7. Identification of New Sites for Housing – Email from PDC (Lida Mutton). Simon Cross to complete questionnaire on Potential Housing sites in our area.
8. Purbeck Aware 2008 – 17<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> June. Email from PDC advising theme for event was "Purbeck Rocks". Contributions to the festival to be either organising a walk, talk or exhibition. Filed.
9. Purbeck Community Partnership – Email advising meeting to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> January. Barry Quinn to advise Pete Burden.
10. PACT (Partners and Community Together) Letter received from PDC re Neighbourhood Management in Purbeck working closely with the Police. Purbeck split into six safer neighbourhood areas of which East Stoke is one. Letter filed.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Regional spatial Strategy for south West – Email received from Steve Dring. Attached briefing note of future housing growth in the District. Any queries to Planning Policy PDC. Email filed.
2. Rebecca Cady asked the meeting if they had heard that bird flu had been identified in swans at Abbotsbury.

## **FINANCE**

1. Cheque for £50 received from Wool PCC re burial of Mrs A. Parfitt
2. Cheque for £169 received from Wool PCC re maintenance money for graves of Fyler and Butler.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February.

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Chairman

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Date