

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 2nd AUGUST 2018

PRESENT Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman)
 Cllr Barry Quinn
 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire
 Cllr Julie Wright
 Cllr David Purshouse

APOLOGIES Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)
 Cllr Chris Evans
 Cllr Cherry Brooks (District Councillor)
 Cllr Miller (District Councillor)
 County Cllr Wharf

IN ATTENDANCE 1 Members of the Public
 Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. Public Participation Time

Mr Grant Emms from Luckford Wood introduced himself. He has had the site for two years and during this time has had various meetings with the planning department as to the way forward with the campsite. At the preliminary meetings he discussed about whether log cabins can be built there. Mr Emms has had experience of running campsites, including five in Kent which are run by his business, the Channel Caravan Company. Residents are welcome to visit the campsite to see the refurbishments which have already been completed and to talk about future plans. It was confirmed that the log cabins would be used for holiday homes rather than residential. When the planning application is received the Parish Council will then discuss the plans.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received and approved for Cllr Cady, Cllr Evans, County Cllr Wharf, Cllr Brooks 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 5th July 2018

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5th July 2018 were approved as a true account.

6. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising.

7. Village Hall Update

Cllr Quinn explained that a planning application has been submitted but not validated yet by PDC regarding the Binnegar Hall development. If it goes through there is a possibility that the developers could provide a village hall. Four bungalows which have been refurbished and have now been rented out while they are currently working on the main Binnegar Hall building. With the new planning application, the ancillary effects will be looked at and the entrance will be double the current width, with a better visibility spray. The additional properties will contribute to the overall housing numbers required for Purbeck and would minimise the amount needed elsewhere within the District.

8. Planning Applications or Planning Information received

- a) **6/2018/0232 - West Holme House, BH20 6AQ.** Create 3 dormer windows in the roof, insertion of a conservation grade rooflight on the first floor and new ground floor window on the north elevation. Extend boiler house on west elevation.

No comments or objections

- b) **6/2018/0233 - West Holme House, BH20 6AQ.** Create 3 dormer windows in the roof, insertion of a conservation grade rooflight on the first floor and a new ground floor window on the north elevation. Internal alterations and refurbishment. Extend boiler house on west elevation.

No comments or objections

- c) **6/2018/0389 - Kemps Country House, BH20 6AL.** Confirmation that the works carried out to convert the first floor annexe function room to bedrooms constitutes a material commencement of building operations approved under planning permission 6/2006/0765

No comments or objections.

9. Update on Previous Planning Applications or planning information

No updates.

10. Reports from County and District Councillors

a) County and District

- i) Cllr Quinn gave updates on both County and District as the Councillors were absent.
The local government reorganisation has had one meeting of the Shadow Council, which consists of all the members of the existing councils. There has also been two meetings of the Shadow Executive which is formed of members from the leaders and deputy leaders of the District Councils and eight from County. The Boundary Review is currently out for consultation. The only change that has happened is Coldharbour is with Wareham. Weymouth and Portland would have preferred single member wards, but they were not allocated this. It was explained that a change to a ward will have a ripple effect as other wards would need to be altered so that they would have a similar number of electorates. Christchurch is currently having a judicial review and it was initially thought that it would take a day, but it is now envisaged to take up to a fortnight.
- ii) The Local Plan is ongoing and is currently on target. The pre-submission consultation will take place in the autumn. Working groups have been set up to look at the draft chapters of the local plan.

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

- i) People with a white transit van asked a resident in Holme Lane if they had any scrap metal. The incident was reported to the Police
- ii) Dorset Alert is making people aware of the increase of rural crime.

12. Camp Bestival/Bestival

It was discussed that there appears to be no contingency plan regarding an emergency evacuation plan. On Sunday 29th July Camp Bestival was closed early due to inclement weather. The advice to the festival goers was to stay in their tents, with hourly review updates. At approximately 13:00hrs it was decided that the site was too dangerous and they advised people that there would be no further entertainment, but the campsite would still be open for those wishing to stay. This resulted in a stream of traffic that was queuing on the A352. During Camp Bestival the traffic was nose to tail over a two day duration. Other issues raised were:

- i) The A352/B3070 junction often has people trying to overtake while vehicles are turning right.
- ii) There were no traffic lights in operation in Holme Lane.
- iii) It was felt that there should be more reminders for festival goers to follow the signage rather than their satnavs.
- iv) It was noted that the Dorset Way was also very busy.

13. Woolbridge Update

These works are currently ongoing. It was suggested that bollards should be put up on the grass once the works has finished. As this is on the Wool side, the Clerk will contact Wool Parish Council to see whether this can be done.

Action: The Clerk to contact Wool Parish Council

14. Hethfelton Update

- i) The pigs near the mast have been moved.
- ii) The Mineral Sites Plan Examination will take place from 25-27 September and 2-4th October. Information of which has been received from the Programme Officer. If people want to appear in person and want to send in a further statement, then it has to be received both electronically and by hard copy by 5pm on Friday 8th September. Cllr Wiltshire wishes to raise points on information that was provided by Ralph Holmes of the Open Spaces Society. An email asking for advice from Planning Aid was sent but unfortunately they cannot help as they have an exemption for mineral development. Other issues that will be raised in the statement includes the site being put in the Bere Regis Parish by mistake, this is one of the very few sites that it designated for Open Access and there is very little information on the mitigation plans.

15. Bus Shelter Maintenance

Cllr Quinn is under the impression that it was last repaired in 1999. The shelter is still used by children waiting for the school bus. The Parish Council are unsure of the ownership and therefore who is required to maintain it. It was commented upon that the post box outside the Old Post Office has disappeared. Thefts of post boxes are a common occurrence with one being stolen recently from Coombe Keynes. Cllr Quinn said he maybe able to obtain a contact number to get it replaced.

15. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

The "right turn" sign at Rushton is now in place.

b) Manor Lane Junction

The foliage has been cut back substantially. Bollards have appeared on the verge of West Holme Cottage which causes an obstruction when using the junction. It was questioned who owns the verge and whether the bollards can be placed there.

Action: The Clerk will contact Highways and Peter Wharf

c) Proposed speed limit reduction or Monkey World

It was felt that there needed to be some kind of protection for pedestrians using this stretch of road. The Parish Council feels the safety of the general public is of paramount importance and would like to encourage the speed limit to be reduce to 30mph. The Police have stated in the past that speed limits are difficult to enforce but the Parish Council feels it needs to be pro-active with regards to reducing the risks for people walking to the attraction.

d) Other Issues

Cllr Quinn is seeking clarification regarding the Purbeck Roadworks report as it states A352 Binnegar Lane to Holmebridge but then refers to West Holme,

which straddles the B3070 and is not near the A352. A small tarmac lorry was seen, presumably filling in pot holes just before the run up to the festivals.

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

- a) Unitary Council Wards – Boundary Commission announces its proposals – comments must be submitted by 27th August. The LGBCE's recommendations are at: Dorset - <http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-west/dorset/dorset>
The only difference will be that East Stoke will be grouped with Parishes to the east rather than Wool and other villages to the west.
- b) Dorset police proposed merger information. The survey can be found within the website www.futurepolicing.co.uk and it can be completed up until the 27th August 2018. **Noted.**

17. Correspondence Received

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

- a) Waste Collection disruption and new rounds. Early data analysis indicates that around 2,300 Purbeck households are likely to experience a change to their collection day and dates, across the Purbeck area. It is hoped that new rounds will be established mid to late summer. They will be sending letters to each household in advance of changes, clearly explaining what is happening. Earlier on in the month some collections were missed due to the reliability of the vehicles. Cllr Quinn will be having a meeting at the Westminster Rd Depot about the problems.
- b) News release - Armed Forces flag raised in Purbeck. A special flag has been raised at Purbeck District Council's offices to mark the start of Armed Forces Week. **Noted.**
- c) Camp Bestival and Bestival Safety Advisory Group. Notes on the meeting which took place on 26th June. **Noted.**
- d) Confirm Report: Road works report – Purbeck. Details of works at the East Stoke and Rushton Level crossings and work on Wool Bridge. **Noted.**
- e) BD&P Mineral Sites Plan Examination. Documents comprising a general note from the Programme Officer, a "Guidance Note" from the Inspectors, a document entitled "Matters, Issues and Questions" and a Draft Programme. **Noted.**
- f) Training 22nd August 2018. The Dorset Community Action group will be running a bite size course designed for trustees or committee members of all types of voluntary and community groups. Cost: £30 pp for voluntary and community groups, £40 pp for statutory groups. **Noted.**
- g) Urgent consultation feedback required by Tuesday 17th July. Burton Rd in Wool will be closed. The dates have now been amended for this closure to Tuesday 7th August 2018 - Wednesday 8th August 2018, as the previous dates clashed with Camp Bestival. **Noted.**
- h) Dorset County Council's daily news digest. Media coverage of the Wool Bridge repairs. **Noted.**
- i) Temporary closure of East Stoke Level Crossing. It will come into operation at 23:00hrs on 30th July for a period of 8 hours. **Noted.**
- j) Temporary traffic and pedestrian management - Camp Bestival and Bestival events, 2018. If any issues arise during the Camp Bestival or Bestival events the

organisers can be contacted through the Residents Hotline – 01929 290062.

Noted.

- k) Love Your Verge - signs to hire. Litter Free Dorset are looking into getting some new signs made for parish councils to hire. We are envisioning a 6 month rolling schedule across Dorset, a month in each location.

It was asked if these signs would make any difference in deterring the amount of litter dropped and it was questioned if the signs themselves would be classed as littering.

- l) The Rotary Dorset Bike Ride in aid of Cancer Research UK on 9th September. The event will start and finish at Longthorns. Route will include Home Lane and Puddletown Rd. It is anticipated that there will be between 700-800 cyclists.

Noted.

- m) TEN notification. This has been received for a wedding at Hethfelton House on 04.08.2018. **Noted.**

- n) FW: NEWS RELEASE - Want to save the planet and money for your council? Start with a reusable coffee cup. Dorset residents are being encouraged to think about how they get their hot drinks on the go and what's best for the environment.

Noted.

- o) Dorset Police flies to new heights to tackle burglary. Neighbourhood policing teams across the County have been distributing paper airplanes through doors and windows of insecure properties. **Noted.**

- p) Advance notification of cycle event. A cycling sportive will be taking place on Sunday 2nd September 2018 out of Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy. It will go past Monkey World and Longthorns. **Noted.**

18. Finance

a) Payments	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment August Salary	£213.17	000726
Dorset County Pension Fund	£62.03	000727

It was resolved that the above payment schedule was approved.

- b) First Quarter Budget report as of 30th June 2018.
The first quarter budget report was noted and £2817.45 has been spent.
First Quarter Bank Reconciliation as of 30th June 2018
The cashbook and bank reconciliation were circulated with the papers prior to the meeting. It was noted that the Purbeck Film Festival donation needs to be in the 137 Section. The Receipts and Payments Cashbook balance of £32721.52 agreed with the reconciled bank balance as of 30th June 2018.
- c) To note the Internal Auditors Report
The Internal Auditors Report was formally noted and there was a query over the donations. Clarification was sought and the advice from DAPTC was that Section 142 allows the Parish Council to give to the CAB specifically, however, where there is a power to do something then you should list a payment against that

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power. The Parish Council are still making a grant as such, but under a specific power.

d) Possible transfer of bank account

The current interest rate on the Lloyds savings account is 0.05%. Various accounts were researched which are available to Parish Councils one of which is the Nationwide that has a rate of 1% and is also part of the FSCS scheme. Due to the interest rate rise announced by the Bank of England on the 2nd August it was decided to keep the item on the agenda in case other banks increase their rates.

19. Items for Information or next agenda

None

20. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

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

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20

Chairman:

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