

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 5th APRIL 2018

PRESENT Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)
 Cllr Chris Evans
 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire
 Cllr Barry Quinn
 Cllr Julie Wright
 Cllr David Purshouse

APOLOGIES Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman)
 County Cllr Wharf
 PC Jephcott

IN ATTENDANCE 5 Members of the Public
 Cllr Brooks (District Councillor)
 Cllr Miller (District Councillor)
 Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. Public Participation Time

- a) The Flood Wardens noticed an article in the Purbeck Gazette about the Ridge Moors Action Group who are against the proposal to create a wetland the size of 200 football pitches. Part of the plan is to use an area in East Stoke as a location for the freshwater compensatory habitat which will involve moving various flora and fauna. The Flood Wardens questioned if the Parish Council have been informed about this and it was confirmed that it has not. One concern is what would happen to the original habitat that is in East Stoke and the exact location that they would use. It was concluded that before any of the work is undertaken planning permission would be required and they would need to engage with Natural England and organisations like the FBA. The Flood Wardens will contact the Environment Agency to find out more. Twenty years ago the Keystone Project took place to improve the biodiversity of the River Frome but due to no management plan a lot of the sluices are currently not used.
- b) i) A resident stated that the traveller site to the north of Woolbridge has increased in size by both number of people and the amount of caravans. There is now about 5 or 6 adults and two young children living there without sanitation. The Gypsy Liaison Officer has not done anything since the Parish Council contacted her last. Her intention was to create a permanent site as there would be a point of contact if there was any antisocial behaviour. The resident said he finds it difficult to contact the Gypsy Liaison Officer. It was agreed that Cllr Miller would follow up the reports of the anti-social behaviour to PDC and will contact County Cllr Wharf.
- ii) The resident explained that there is comings and goings all night where people only stay for a few minutes which leads to the impression that drug dealing is taking place. Cllr Cady stated that incidents of anti-social behaviour must be reported to the Police everytime so that they can accumulate a catalogue of evidence. A Wool Parish Councillor at the meeting said that residents from Bovington who walk to Wool have raised concerns.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received and approved for Cllr Child, County Cllr Wharf and PC Jephcott.

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 8th March 2018

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 8th March 2018 were approved as a true account.

6. Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Wiltshire completed the Purbeck Local Plan Review and selected as agreed Option A. It was confirmed that the Black Dog Inn received a copy as they were missed from the distribution.

Due to the attendance of a Wool Parish Councillor it was agreed to discuss Wool related matters first.

17. Wool Neighbourhood Plan

As of the 5th April it was decided not to include the East Stoke element in the Wool Neighbourhood Plan.

19. Highways Issues

b) Woolbridge Update

More of the first archway has collapsed as the ballast has shifted due to the bad weather. The Project Engineer has said that another temporary repair will not be done and they will wait until the permanent work is undertaken. It was noted that there are now cracks on the right hand side and vandalism has occurred as people have been throwing pieces of tarmac into the river. The main work is scheduled to be carried out in June and July. It was asked whether permissions have been sought from organisations such as Historic England. Cllr Brooks will speak to the County Archaeologist to seek advice. While the work is undertaken a temporary footbridge will be constructed which will be suitable for disabled access. Movement has been noticed and it was felt that the Parish Council needs assurance that the right things are in place to conduct the repair.

c) Footpath to Monkey World

The Wool Parish Councillor explained that the first phase of the cycle path was financed by their S106 fund. A meeting has been scheduled for the 25th April to discuss the proposed path.

7. Planning Applications or Planning Information received

6/2018/0103 - Monkey World Ape Rescue Centre, BH20 6HH. Alterations to existing Woolly Monkey building, construct attached indoor play area to replace the existing outdoor caged play area. Add external timber cladding and internal alterations to existing building.

The Parish Council had no comments or objections.

8 Update on Previous Planning Applications or planning information

No updates.

9. Reports from County and District Councillors

a) County

No report.

b) District

i) Cllr Miller reported the Purbeck Local Plan Review is now closed and it appears there was quite a measured response. The findings are currently being collated

and PDC will be meeting soon to discuss the data. The target is to submit the plan by the end of the year.

- ii) The Monkey World meeting will take place on the 25th April and Cllr Miller clarified that District Councillors are involved due to the public safety element. Andrew Bradley, the Project Engineer will give a short presentation before the meeting and County Cllr Wharf will chair.
- iii) Cllr Brooks explained the Structural Change Order for the Local Government Review was approved before Parliament at the end of March. It is hoped that a local MP will "Pray" for it so that it can be discussed in Parliament. A Project Manager has been appointed however all the start and finish groups have been paused while he works out a critical path. It will be run as a shadow authority until the elections. The total amount of councillors will reduce to 82 which is a sharp decrease from the current 211 members. The Public will see little change to the delivery of day to day services however if a large planning application is received there is a degree of uncertainty as to whether there will be area planning committees to take on this task. The actual running of the Council will be decided by the new Councillors. There is a risk that lots of new Councillors will be elected and it would take time to train them.

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

No issues to report.

11. Maintenance of Churchyards

Parkinson Solutions will repair the Fyler grave in the next few weeks. Cllr Quinn said there needs to be another topple test as some of the gravestones may require hard core underneath.

12. Village Hall and Parish Land Update.

- a) The Race Night at the Black Dog Inn was a great success and £280 was raised for the Village Hall. The Committee are currently planning on holding a Quiz Night at the pub in May.
- b) There still has not been any update from the Barrister.
- c) Cllr Quinn will forward a point of contact to the Clerk to claim for a wayleave payment as there is a transformer on the Parish Land.
- c) It was suggested that there should be a meeting with the Landlords of the Black Dog to consider land swap options.
- d) It was confirmed that the Heartwood quote is inclusive of VAT and it was proposed by Cllr Cady and seconded by Cllr Quinn for this company to undertake the treework and fencing.

13. Newsletters

It was agreed that a Police report, Dorset Care Record, Consent Form, Bestival, broadband, ESWCC, Holyrood Church and Woolbridge should all be included in the newsletter. Cllr Wiltshire will do a short piece of Hethfelton and Cllr Purshouse will write about being a new Councillor. It was agreed that all articles need to be submitted by Friday 13th April and be delivered before the 3rd May in order for the Annual Parish Council meeting to be advertised.

14. Broadband for East and West Holme

The Parish Council received an electronic version of the newsletter which was sent to residents. The costs have decreased to approximately £535 per property but it was felt that it is still too much for residents to pay and questioned if PDC and local businesses could donate more. One of the problems is that it is difficult to apply for grants as Dorsetforyou currently states that fibre broadband can be accessed there but this is not the case. It was also asked whether the Army hut requires a connecting and if they could

contribute. Within the newsletter it was suggested that the money could be held in the Parish Council account. It was agreed that it would not be advisable and an account needs to be set up by the Committee.

15. Annual Parish Meeting/Annual General Meeting

The Clerk has not had a response from Marc Norris, Customer and Community Advisor at SSE. Other possible speakers include Sally Mead from Longthorns, Will Ward, Alan Brown and Owermoigne Cider. The Clerk will arrange the speaker and it will be advertised in the newsletter. The Councillors will provide refreshments.

16. Grounds Maintenance Tender

T. Lee Landscaping have signed the contract and will continue to carry out the work.

18. Lighting at the Church Lane Level Crossing

A resident has complained about the excessive lighting at the Church Lane crossing and asked if it can be angled down. It appears to have become brighter over the past three months. Cllr Brooks will follow this up and the Clerk will contact the resident.

19. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

- i) Cllr Quinn received a message from Highways that they could not find the branches in the road. Due to the slow response, residents ended up clearing it.
- ii) The Church Lane sign has been cleared by Cllr Purshouse and it was commented upon that it looks good however it is collapsing due to both posts gone. The Holme Lane sign is also going and Cllr Miller will report it.
- iii) Cllr Wiltshire had a reply back from Dawn Heath about the road issues but did not mention the East Stoke sign. It was agreed to contact her again stating that it is a matter of urgency as the signage includes a deer warning. The rough verge along Church Lane has deteriorated and it needs to be filled again with planings.
- iv) The criteria for not recommending a reduction to the speed limit along the A352 has been received. The Parish Council supports the request for the double central lines being extended.
- v) Work has started on the new Hethfelton House access it is being overseen by the County Developer Lead team under a s278 agreement.
- vi) The stonework on the Church Lane bridges have been repaired but the small wooden fence is still damaged and needs to be reported back to Dawn Heath. **Action:** The Clerk and Cllr Wiltshire to contact Dawn Heath.
- vii) Cllr Brooks reported that £2million has been allocated to County to repair damage caused by Storm Emma. The pothole in Holme Lane was reported over 4 weeks ago and a cone was placed there but no work has actually been carried out. It needs to be reported again as due to it being on the National Cycle Route it needs to be done as a matter of urgency. There is also a blocked culvert along Holme Lane which requires being jetted out.
- viii) It was noted that there are still flood signs displayed in Highwood.

b) Footpath to Monkey World

The summer bus service to Monkey World is now in operation

c) Potential new footpath

The Clerk still hasn't received a reply back from Tara Hansford.

Action: The Clerk to chase.

d) Other Issues

- i) Cllr Quinn attended the Safety Advisory Group meeting for Camp Bestival and Bestival. They are no longer implementing a one way system along Holme Lane but they will probably still direct traffic.
- ii) The Hanson's team have been clearing a large area in the north east area near to the SSSI in order to move the reptiles. It was questioned why this is being carried out when the Mineral Development Plan has not been formally agreed.
- iii) The tree blocking the bridlepath in Highwood has now been cleared.
- iv) The Parish Council currently does not have a Footpath Liaison Officer. Cllr Wright offered to undertake part of the role for the area that she walks and it was suggested to advertise it the newsletter.

20. Discussion/Consideration

- a) Informal public consultation on the development of a local development order for Dorset innovation Park. It is expected that the order will be submitted in August 2018.
In order for a fast planning process, the environmental surveys will be put in place for the whole site. A president has been set to encourage marine, defence and energy businesses to relocate there.
- b) Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles Consultation.. Purbeck District Council have a duty to consult and determine their Statement of Principles. The deadline for submissions is 16th May. **Noted.**

21. Correspondence Received

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

- a) Local Government Reorganisation. A statement from the Leader of Purbeck District Council. **Noted.**
- b) Secretary of State announcement to support LGR proposals. It has been announced that the Secretary of State has agreed to support the Future Dorset proposal for Local Government Reorganisation subject to parliamentary approval. **Noted.**
- c) Newly produced Toolkit for Parish and Town Councils of the new General Data Protection Regulations. **Noted.**
- d) Briefing – Severe Weather Planning. Update from Dorset County Council for distribution to members about the disruption to services due to the impending Storm Emma. **Noted.**
- e) NEWS RELEASE - Dorset bin collections to be affected this week. This is due to Storm Emma. **Noted.**
- f) TEN notice for a Charity Dinner at Hethfelton House on 17.03. 2018. For the sale of alcohol and regulated entertainment between the hours of 12:00 and 00:00. **Noted.**
- g) GDF Consultation. Details of the Geological Disposal Facility (*GDF*) Consultation which runs until the 19th April. **Noted.**

- h) Advance notification of cycling event. Jurassic Beast is a non-competitive cycling sportive taking place on Saturday 19th May 2018 out of the National Tank Museum and will have various routes through Purbeck.
Cllr Quinn has written again to Richard Drax MP as his first reply was not satisfactory.
- i) Temporary Event Notice for a wedding festival at Longthorns Farm, on Sunday 13 May from 11am to 3.30 pm for the sale of alcohol and the provision of regulated entertainment. **Noted.**
- j) "Working with Community Partners" Task and Finish Group – Invitation to an initial meeting. The invitation was sent to the chairman and/or secretaries of area committees requesting each one to select three representatives from their area to attend an initial "round table" meeting to look at the potential possibilities for working with the new authority. However, the invitation was not discussed in advance with the DAPTC Chief Executive or Executive Committee. **Noted.**
- k) Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP) activated from the 16th March for three consecutive nights. **Noted.**
- l) Superfast Broadband for East and West Holme. A newsletter updating information about the superfast fibre broadband. **Noted.**
- m) Parish Council elections. The Parish Council elections will be in sync with the new authority, which will be once every five years. **Noted.**
- n) Wool Neighbourhood Plan. The plan area will include the full parish of Wool and their proposal is to include Woolbridge which is in East Stoke Parish. **Noted.**
- o) District Council objects to proposed ferry toll increases. Members of PDC have voted unanimously to object to proposed toll increases for the Studland Ferry and the Leader of the Council has written to the Secretary of State to make the Council's objections clear. **Noted.**

22. Finance

- a) **The following receipts were noted:**

Burial Fees (Mr Gerald Matcham)	£290.00
Fyler and Butler Dividends	£132.47
- b) **Payments**

	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment Apr 18 Salary	£204.14	000704
Dorset County Pension Fund and employer contributions Mar 18	£59.44	000705
Miss E Maidment reimburse for stamps	£6.72	000706
Water2business (Standpipe at Churchyard)	£11.57	000707

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

Confirmation as to whether the Parish Council was successful in obtaining money from the Transparency Fund has not yet been received.

Chairman's Initials

Minute No. 253

c) Consideration to donate to the Citizen's Advice, Purbeck Film Festival and Wool Skate park

There is a degree of uncertainty about the Wool Skate Park project as time is running out for them to match fund the money received from Sport England. It was agreed to pledge them £50. It was proposed by Cllr Cady and seconded by Cllr Evans to donate £50 to Citizens Advice and the Purbeck Film Festival.

c) Consideration of insurance quotes

Quotes have been received from BHIB and Zurich. The Clerk is waiting to hear from Came and Co.

d) Consideration to pay £35 to register for the Data Protection

It was formally agreed to pay the sum.

21. Items for Information or next agenda

It was asked if there are any regulations on noise nuisance from dogs. It appears that there are seven to eight dogs housed in a small new structure. It was advised that they could contact the dog warden about the dogs' welfare and it was questioned if the building needs planning permission. Cllr Brooks will check with Purbeck District Council.

22. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting which will be the APM and APCM will be held on Thursday 3rd May.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.55

Chairman:

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