



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF EAST
STOKE HELD ON THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2023 AT LONGTHORNS
CAMPSITE

PRESENT	Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chair) Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chair) Cllr Chris Evans Cllr Graeme Langley Cllr Barry Quinn
APOLOGIES	Cllr Tessa Wiltshire Cllr Keith Evans
IN ATTENDANCE	Dorset Cllr Cherry Brooks Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. **Public participation period for 15 minutes**
There were no members of the public in attendance
2. **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Cllr Wiltshire and Cllr Keith Evans
3. **Granting of Dispensation**
No applications for a dispensation had been made.
4. **Declarations of Interest**
No declarations of interest were made.
5. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5th October 2023**
The minutes from the 5th October 2023 were duly signed by the Chairman.
6. **Matters arising from the minutes**
There were no matters arising.
7. **Planning Applications or Planning Information received**
No planning applications of information were received.
8. **Update of Previous Applications or planning information**
A resident asked about whether a new septic tank is being installed in Church Lane. **Action:**
The Clerk to ask the Planning Department.
9. **Dorset Council Report**
The Dorset Council news is circulated weekly to the Councillors.
10. **Police Issues to report or update on issues reported**
 - a) On the night of 27th/28th October copper wire was stolen from the new Solar Farm. The wire was on a reel and weighed in the region of half a tonne and was taken across fields to Binnegar Lane where the wire was removed from the drum and transferred to vehicles. Two vehicles were spotted on CCTV. Raymond Brown has secured their gate with a large padlock and signs are now displayed explaining that CCTV is in operation.
 - b) On 19th October two men wearing Hi-Viz asked various residents in the village if they needed tarmac laying. Their vehicle was a grey Vauxhall saloon with a beacon light on the roof.
 - c) A large trailer was stolen on the night of 27th/28th October. The Police have not said whereabouts in East Stoke it was taken from.
 - d) Since Covid no representatives from the Police have attended a Parish Council meeting. The Clerk has requested via the Police website for someone to visit.
11. **Hethfelton**
Dorset Enduro will be holding a motocross event on Sunday 10th November.
12. **Maintenance of noticeboards - Wareham Mens Shed**
There has been a delay in starting work on the noticeboards due to ill health and volunteers being on holiday.
13. **Defibrillator Grant Application**

Cllr Cady has applied to the DHSC Community Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Fund and the Village Hall Committee has applied to the East Stoke and Wool Community Chest to see if they can match fund it by donating £750.

14. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues

- i) The ditches on either side of Rushton Lane have now been cleared.
- ii) A request has been logged to clear the grips at the Middlefield entrance as there has been significant flooding after the recent storms.
- iii) It was commented upon that the Binnegar Lane gullies need to be cleared on a regular basis.
- iv) The A352 pavement has now been cleared. A complaint was lodged to the subcontractor that they did not clear the cuttings when the ferns were cut back.
- v) It has been noted that there are numerous deer carcasses along the A352.

b) Speed Indicator Device

It will be left for slightly longer before being moved to the Black Dog as it charges better there.

c) Other issues

No issues to report

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

- a) Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places. In accordance with the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 all local authorities are required to complete a formal review of their parliamentary polling districts and polling places at least every five years. Review of Polling District and Polling Places Closes 12th November. **Noted.**

16. Correspondence Received

- a) Can you help us promote a 'get online' event with our volunteer digital champions in Wool? Volunteer required for Thursday 19 October. **Noted.**
- b) Dorset Highways - Salt bins and Dumpy bags 2023/24 season. As per previous years, Dorset Highways will be initially filling your grit bins for free – both community and strategic. This will start from mid/end of October 2023. **Noted.**
- c) Parishes & Towns of Culture | Dorset Council Area. The briefing was held on 9th October on an idea project based on the national scheme 'City of Culture'. **Noted.**
- d) DAPTC E-News 6 October 2023. Dorset Kicks Off Vaccine Roll-Out Ahead of Winter. **Noted.**
- e) Dorset Council's latest news - local news and more. Weymouth Outdoor Education Centre, offering affordable accessible adventures for Dorset's young people. **Noted.**
- f) Confirm Report: Road works report - Purbeck. Various roads around East Stoke. **Noted.**
- g) DAPTC E-News 13 October 2023. DAPTC has launched a new website. **Noted.**
- h) Dorset Council's latest news - local news and more. Donate children's coats to help families facing struggles this winter. **Noted.**
- i) Winfrith SSG Meeting Pack - Tuesday 31st October 2023 @ 14:00. - OFFICIAL. The meeting will be held in Winfrith Village Hall DT2 8LR.
One of their major contractors went into liquidation. The Magnox company has rebranded and is now called the Nuclear Restoration Services. It was confirmed that their community grants will still be available.
- j) Providing Access to the DAPTC Website for Councillors and your colleagues. Councillors will have access to the "Members Area". **Noted.**
- k) DAPTC Annual General Meeting Saturday 18 November 2023 10am. The AGM is online and we ask that delegates (no more than 2 join per member council) register in advance - REGISTRATION OPEN.
No names were put forward to attend. It was also noted that Cllr Langley is no longer able to attend the AONB meeting in Furzebrook.
- l) DAPTC E-News 20 October 2023. Analogue phone services will get switched off in Summer 2024 here in Dorset. **Noted.**
- m) REVISED* Temporary Traffic Regulation Order for Bindon Lane, Wool 20th December 2023. These works have changed from 29th November to 20th December. **Noted.**
- n) DAPTC Purbeck Area Committee - 1 November 2023 at 7pm via Zoom. **Noted.**

17. Finance

- a) The following payments were duly approved and will be paid electronically. Cllr Cady and either Cllr Quinn or Cllr Child to approve payments

Amount

Miss E Maidment Salary	£252.78
Dorset County Pension Fund	£73.56
Re-imburse R Cady for poppies	£17.14
Re-imburse E Maidment for newsletters	£44.00

- b) To approve and pay donation to the Royal British Legion
Due to the cheque raised last year not being banked, it was proposed by Cllr Cady and seconded by Cllr Chris Evans to double this year's donation to £120. Cllr Quinn will see if they would accept the donation via Bacs.
- c) To receive the 2nd Quarter Bank Reconciliation
The Receipts and Payments Cashbook balance of £37,435.11 agreed with the reconciled bank balance as of 30th September 2023.
- d) To receive the 2nd Budget Report
The second quarter budget report was noted and £5,877.29 has been spent in this financial year.

18. Items for information or next agenda

No matters were raised.

19. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Longthorns Campsite on 7th December 2023.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 19:50

Chairman:

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