



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2016

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 Cllr Christine Evans
Cllr Miller (District Councillor)
PC Jephcott

IN ATTENDANCE 4 Members of the Public
County Cllr Lovell
Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. Public Participation Time.

- a) i) Mr Rogers requested an update on the situation at Woodlands. He has noticed that the caravans are now plumbed into the septic tanks and the gas bottles are connected. Therefore, instead of abiding by the ruling to remove them he feels that they are making the caravans more permanent. Cllr Brooks stated that a notice has been served for the caravans to be removed and the buildings to revert back to the original planning applications by the 31st August. Cllr Brooks visited the site on 1st September and the caravans were still in place. The Development Manager will visit sometime in September to check to see if Woodlands have abided by the Notice if they have not then they will be taken to court.
- ii) According to Mr Rogers the site is still noisy up to 11pm however, there were two occasions when the noise has continued until 3am. Also, there have been incidents of dogs straying onto nearby gardens. Cllr Brooks advised him to complete the monitoring form as PDC require written evidence. It might also be beneficial for one of the neighbours to speak during public participation time at the next Planning Committee meeting. Mr Rogers questioned if the Council could go down the Health and Safety route as there maybe something in planning to make it inhabitable. The Health and Safety issues are currently being investigated by the Licensing Department but at the moment the Council is going through the disturbance to neighbours route.
- b) i) On the 8th August the group of travellers who reside near Woolbridge trespassed onto the farmyard. A resident called the

Police 101 service and was put on hold for an hour and a quarter. The Police responded the next day, but they said that there is nothing they can do unless they actually see them defecating the bridge. In light of this the residents have increased their security. Another resident has witnessed various young men visiting the site for only a few minutes and then leaving with bags. He is under the impression that someone on the site is drug dealing. The travellers are often seen under the influence of both drink and drugs in the local vicinity and in Wool. Ms Clover, the Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Officer was not aware of the incident until a resident contacted her and she has advised that all incidents should be written down.

- ii) There is still no portaloos and Ms Clover has promised that the site would be tidied up but it hasn't.

Action: The Clerk to email Ms Clover and PC Jephcott to explain that the situation needs to be monitored closely.

2. Apologies

Apologies were accepted and approved for Cllr Evans, District Cllr Miller 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 4th August 2016

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 4th August 2016 were approved as a true account. The minutes were then duly signed.

6. Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Quinn said the new signage along Church Lane needs a plate to be fitted underneath the sign saying "Give Way to Oncoming Traffic". The sign near Freshwater Biological Association should stay there rather than be moved to the end of the road near the Holme Lane junction.

Action: The Clerk to email Jenny Penney.

7. Planning Applications or Planning Information received

There were no items to report

8. Update on Previous Planning Applications or planning information

Planning applications 6/2016/0394 and 6/2016/0334 will both be discussed next month. Cllr Brooks said that she thinks that 6/2016/334 has been refused.

9. Reports from County and District Councillors

a) County Cllr Lovell

- i) The Unitary Authority Consultation is currently open and will run until the 25th October.

b) District Council

- i) Due to budget reductions the public mobile library service will be withdrawn, but they will continue with the home library service which will be delivered by the Royal Voluntary Service.

- ii) Purbeck District Council are currently analysing and inputting the Partial Review Options Consultation. The next Partial Review Advisory Group (PRAG) meeting will be held at the Purbeck School on 2nd November.
- iii) There will be a series of Roadshows on the unitary proposals for Dorset. The local ones take place in Wool at the D'Urberville Centre on Thursday 22nd September from 9:30 to 1:30 and outside Sainsbury's in Wareham on Saturday 15th October from 10am to 2pm. It was observed that the majority of the Roadshows are taking place during working hours so it would be difficult for a lot of people to attend. The Officers at County decided on the timetable and Cllr Lovell has already complained about this. The Devolution Leaders have questioned Theresa May as to whether it would still be rolled out.
- iv) A scheme is being run to help disadvantaged people with their energy bills.
- v) A taster event will be held at the Purbeck Leisure Centre on Saturday 17th September. There will be a variety of sports to try and the cost will be £1 per person.
- vi) Cllr Cady asked about dog wardens in Purbeck. As she arranged for a dog warden to pick up a stray dog only to be told ten minutes before the set time that they were unable to come. Cllr Brooks said that she will investigate.

10. Police issues to report or update on issues reported

This item was discussed minute number 233/1/b/i

11. Travellers Site at Woolbridge

This item was discussed minute number 233/1/b.

12. River Frome Issues

It was noted that no work has been done to plant trees near the railway line.

13. Autumn Newsletter

Subjects to be included are Hawkins Trust, East Stoke and Wool Community Chest, Highways, the Parish Plan, the tank centenary, Remembrance Day, Friends of Bluebell Wood and the Village Hall.

14. East Stoke and Wool Community Chest

The closing date for applications is the 9th October. There has been interest from at least eight groups, but no applications have been received yet. Cllr Cady asked for the Village Hall Committee to be reminded.

Action: The Clerk to contact the Village Hall Committee.

15. Village Hall

There were no items to report

16. Repairs to the Fyler Headstone

Alan Davis submitted a quote for £500 to restore the stonework and to replace the broken and damaged stone marble and granite for £2500. It was asked when the money on the railings was spent. A possible solution could be to have a frame fitted, bolt it upright and have a plaque made with the inscription. Cllr Quinn will have another look at it. If the Trust is wound up the money would go to the Distressed Gentlefolks Aid Association.

Action: The Clerk will find out about the railings.

17. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

The reported pot hole in Church Lane has now been filled in but it has been noticed that there are lots along that road which require to be filled.

Action: The Clerk to contact Highways

b) Speeding armoured vehicles

An email has been received complaining about the speed of armoured vehicles and on one particular occasion it resulted in a vehicle damaging the kerb at the A352/B3070 junction. Both Highways and the Army have been made aware of the damage. A response was received from the Army, explaining that it would be difficult to trace the driver without the registration number, especially as some of these vehicles are not from Bovington and Lulworth.

c) Other Issues

There has been a complaint about excessive speed along Church Lane it was asked if the Parish Council could investigate as to whether speed restrictions could be implemented. It was agreed that Highways should be contacted to advise them to place a speed limit. It was suggested that the Parish Council should install their own sign, but it was believed that it would be expensive.

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

a) Working Together - Dorset Highways and Town and Parish Councils.

Highways are in the process of producing a guidance document that will outline our "Working Together" initiative.

The document will be available soon. It was agreed that an article should be included in the newsletter to explain to residents of the changes to the Highways Department.

19. Correspondence Received

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

a) Cross country race - Sunday 4 September. The "Beast" event starts and finishes at Corfe and the course is to the south of the Village. **Noted.**

b) Dorset Highways Defect Cluster Repair Programme 2016/17. These sites have largely been identified as the roads which require constant repairs and are in need of a complete resurface in order to maintain their serviceability and reduce ongoing reactive maintenance costs. **Noted.**

c) NALC Bulletin on national developments and meetings - 5 August 2016. Which includes the Smaller Councils Committee and Neighbourhood Planning. **Noted.**

d) Request To Relay Link To NALC Community Led Housing Survey [30/9 Response Deadline].

It was questioned if anyone is filling out this survey. It was difficult to work out the length of the form online unless it is actually completed.

e) Power cut? New phone number 105 launches in September. A new national phone number "105" will be launched by electricity network

operators for customers to call should they need to report or get information about a power cut in their area.

It was suggested that this should be advertised in the newsletter.

- f) Opportunities for community and voluntary groups. Dorset County Council will issue a RunAClub licence free of charge (normal cost is £200) to community groups who would benefit from access to the system.
- g) Stepping into Nature Survey. A survey about a three-year project helping to deliver health and wellbeing benefits for Dorset's older people by using Dorset's natural and cultural landscape.
- h) Dorset County Council release (Trading Standards) - Loan sharks cash given back to Dorset residents to encourage savings.
- i) Dorset Community Innovation Fund. The first round of the Dorset Community Innovation Fund is open for applications until 12th September 2016. To be found at <https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/dorset-community-innovation-fund>
- j) Dorset Local Access Forum Recruitment - Deadline: Friday 23 September 2016. It gives independent advice to improving outdoor access/green space.
- k) SAVE THE DATE - Workshops on Local Government Reorganisation - September 2016. There are meetings in Blandford Forum on 20th Sept and Horton on 29th Sept both start at 6:45pm.
Cllr Quinn and Cllr Child both hoped to go to the Blandford Forum workshop.
- l) Fuel Poverty in the Dorset Area. Healthy Homes project provides help on benefit claims, switching energy suppliers, home improvements, loans and grants.
- m) Changes to the Morebus Services. No bus services in East Stoke are affected.

19. Finance

a) Payments	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment August Salary	£213.88	000518
Miss E Maidment backpay	£10.58	000518
Re-imburse E Maidment for 2 nd class stamps	£6.60	000519
Re-imburse E Maidment toner cartridges	£12.49	000519
D.J. Building Vanishing of noticeboards	£80.00	000520

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

20. Items for Information or next agenda

- a) Cllr Brooks said some of the posters on display look faded and need updating.
Action: The Clerk to reprint and laminate the posters that the Parish Council are legally obliged to display.
- b) Cllr Wright is unable to attend the DAPTC Area meeting on the 27th September. Cllr Quinn said that he will try to attend.

21. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th October 2016 at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:15hrs.

Chairman:Date.....