



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF EAST
STOKE HELD ON THURSDAY 8th AUGUST 2024 AT LONGTHORNS
CAMPSITE

PRESENT	Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman) Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman) Cllr Chris Evans Cllr Barry Quinn Cllr Graeme Langley
APOLOGIES	Cllr Keith Evans Dorset Cllr Ben Wilson
IN ATTENDANCE	3 Members of the Public Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. **Public participation period** for 15 minutes
 - a) A resident witnessed the water levels at Hethfelton Woods being surveyed. The surveyor said that it was the wettest he had ever known. **Action:** Cllr Langley will inquire to see if the report could be made available to the Parish Council.
 - b) A member of the public sent an email to the Parish Council asking if the very small layby at Hethfelton Woods could be improved as the surface is very bad. The Forestry Commission has said that there is no money to improve that area.
2. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Keith Evans, and Dorset Cllr Wilson was unable to attend due to attending another Parish Council meeting.
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 11th July 2024**

The minutes from 11th July 2024 were duly signed. It was noted that Item 330/10/d soakaway is the responsibility of the developer rather than Highways.
6. **Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising.
7. **Planning Applications or Planning Information received**
 - a) **P/FUL/2023/03855 - Kemps Country House.** Sever land and erect a dwelling with associated parking and access. This application will be considered by Eastern Planning Committee on 31 July 2024
This has been approved. Subject to Poole Harbour nutrient neutrality rules. It was questioned about whether CIL would be paid for this site. The Officer Scheme of Delegation has been amended which include the following. Major applications will automatically need to be referred to the planning committee if there is a representation from a Dorset Council Member or the Town/Parish Council which is contrary to the officer recommendation.

For non-major applications, if there is a representation from a Member or the Town/Parish Council which is contrary to the officer recommendation, then the Case Officer will need to contact the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the relevant planning committee, for their decision as to whether the application should be referred to the planning committee.

Action: The Clerk will ask Cllr Wilson if he can find out whether CIL would be added.

8. Update of Previous Applications or planning information

Purbeck Local Plan (2018 - 2034) Adoption. Dorset Council adopted the Purbeck Local Plan (2018 – 2034) on 18 July 2024. **Noted.**

9. Dorset Council Report

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

- a) Road Safety on B3070: Entrance to Holme for Gardens. Based on information available in the DC planning portal, Holme for Gardens received planning consent to move the customer entrance further north along the B3070 in an application first submitted in 2008 and last amended in 2011.
- b) Middlefield Flooding. Cllr Wilson requested an update post Clerk's email to the landowner (18th July). **Action:** The Clerk will email the resident to say that an email has been sent but there has been no response from the landowner.
- c) Full Council sat on 18th July. Full minutes are not yet available but key decisions included: Passing of Purbeck Local Plan (2018-2034). Passing of amendments to Officer Scheme of Delegation in regards to planning applications. Passing of 'Nature Emergency' motion, which includes limiting the use of glyphosates and chemicals where possible.
- d) Big Conversation: Members and Officers for Dorset Council will be engaging with residents at events held across the County to understand their priorities for the next five years and factor these into the Council Plan. The local event for Purbeck will be held at Wareham Quay on Saturday 31st August (8am – 1pm).

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

Police cars were spotted at Rushton Crossing on Thursday 8th August. The circumstances are unknown

11. Parish Councillor Vacancy

Two people expressed interest in the vacancy and were invited to attend the meeting. One, unfortunately, sent his apologies due to illness and wished the other candidate well as a Councillor.

12. Hethfelton

Discussed 2024-8-331/1a

13. Maintenance of noticeboards - Wareham Mens Shed

The residents of the Farrer Estate have raised several complaints about the new noticeboard. These include the lack of consultation with the residents, the noticeboard not blending in with the surrounding area, its placement on private land, and its location. Before installing the noticeboard, the Parish Council obtained permission from Westcoast (Purbeck) Ltd. It was discussed that once the village hall is built, the noticeboard could be placed on the side of the building. In the meantime, it was agreed to acquire higher quality posts. **Action:** The Clerk to respond to the emailed complaint, contact Westcoast and the Men's Shed.

14. Middlefield/Aster issues

Discussed 2024-8-331/10b

15. Camp Bestival

It was commented upon that it was extremely quiet and there were no issues with traffic. Motorists followed the direct signs and did not try to turn right onto the A352. There was some tree damage during set up from an HGV.

16. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues

- i) A tree fell just east of Hethfelton entrance which was encroaching the

highway causing vehicles to move to the centre of the road. It was reported on the portal by Cllr Quinn and the following day it was removed. It was noted that more work needs to be carried out on the trees on the southern side of the road near Hethfelton House.

b) Speed Indicator Device

This is working well and has been moved.

c) Other issues

- i) It was commented upon that there is a dangerous manhole cover in Worgret.
- ii) Work will be carried out near Holme as various areas have been spray painted on the road by Highways.

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

Food Waste Collection Service Survey. The purpose of this survey is to find out more about people's views and experiences of using the Dorset Council food waste collection service so that we can improve it and encourage more people to participate. Closes 26th August.

This will be published on the village's Facebook page.

18. Correspondence Received

- a) Camp Bestival - Coomer Keynes and East Lulworth Residents Information. The site break will finish on 7th August. **Noted.**
- b) Battery Security. Three batteries have been stolen from SIDS. Advised to mark the batteries with the Parish Council name. **Noted.**
- c) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Temporary Overnight Road Closure A352 Wool Level Crossing, Wool. It will come into operation between 00:15 until 06:00 on 30th July and remain in force for five days, however it is anticipated that the works will be completed by 31st July. **Noted.**
- d) Purbeck Area Committee (PAC) Meeting - Postponed. This will now take place on Wednesday 21 August 2024 at 7:00pm/9:00pm at Sandford Community Hall. **Noted.**
- e) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Temporary Overnight Road Closure A352 Wool Level Crossing, Wool. These works are programmed to commence between 19:00 and 23:30 on 17th September 2024. **Noted.**
- f) 2RN Shuttle Bus - Forward Planning Mtg - Wareham Town Hall. The Forward Planning Meeting of the future of the 2RN Shuttle Bus, will be at Wareham Town Hall at 11 am Monday 29 July. **Noted.**
- g) DAPTC E-News 19 July 2024. The Dorset Coast Forum Annual Conference for 2024 which will be held on Thursday 24 October at Weymouth Pavilion. **Noted.**
- h) Dorset Council's latest news - local news and more. Dorset's country parks are recognised as some of the best in the UK. **Noted.**
- i) Dorset Council Summer Engagement. There will be four engagement events looking at shaping a new strategic plan for Dorset Council. The nearest is Dorchester (United Church - The Main Hall), Thursday 12 September, 5pm to 7pm. **Noted.**
- j) DAPTC E-News 26 July 2024. Free trees for communities and schools. Applications for November delivery will close on 26 August. **Noted.**
- k) Dorset Council's latest news - A Big Conversation, celebrating awards and more local news. Includes a Statement from Dorset Council re Bibby Stockholm contract. **Noted.**
- l) Request for an accessible footpath from Holmebridge to Wareham.
Members of the Parish Council agreed that having a footpath would be wonderful, but the major issue is the lack of funding for it. It was noted that it was in the Local Plan. It was asked if Dorset Council could apply for a grant from the Central Government.
Action: Cllr Quinn will contact the resident.
- m) DAPTC E-News 2 August 2024. New Councillor Induction course is now available. **Note.**

19. Finance

- a) The following payments were duly approved and will be paid electronically. Cllr

Cady, Cllr Child and Cllr Quinn to approve the payments

	Amount
Miss E Maidment Salary	£275.97
Dorset Council Pension Fund	£78.42
Re-imburse E Maidment for defibrillator pads	£78.40

The defibrillator pads need to be replaced due to a medical emergency. The pads were taken out of the packaging, but fortunately, the paramedics arrived before the members of the public had to use them. It was commented upon that a good job was done on the landscaping around the defibrillator cabinet.

20. Items for information or next agenda

The solar farm has now been energised and the community fund will be used on the maintenance and running costs of the village hall. A meeting is planned with the Holme Trustees. The wind farm will be commissioned sometime in September. It was asked if another article could be written for the Autumn Newsletter.

21. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday 5th September. Cllr's Quinn, Child and Langley send their apologies

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.48

Chairman:

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