



## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

PRESENT                    Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)  
                                 Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman)  
                                 Cllr Barry Quinn  
                                 Cllr Christine Evans  
                                 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire

APOLOGIES                Cllr Cherry Brooks (District Councillor)  
                                 Cllr Laura Miller (District Councillor)  
                                 Cllr Julie Wright

IN ATTENDANCE        5 Members of the Public  
                                 County Cllr Mike Lovell  
                                 Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1.    **Public Participation Time.**  
      No items were discussed.
2.    **Apologies**  
      Apologies were accepted and approved for Cllr Wright, Cllr Brooks & 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 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016.**  
      It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> October and the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> October were approved as a true account. The minutes were then duly signed.
6.    **Matters arising from the minutes**  
      The outcome of the extraordinary meeting was that the Parish Council disagreed with the unitary proposals.
7.    **Planning Applications or Planning Information received**  
      **6/2016/0656 Puddletown Road (Hyde Pit), BH20 7NY** The construction and operation of an aggregate processing plant and associated infrastructure, including weighbridge and site offices, and to import both natural sands and manufactured limestone sand to blend with materials excavated from Hyde Pit to enhance the range of products produced from the quarry.  
      The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application. It was put forward that a footpath should be made due to the amount of HGV's using Puddletown Rd. This area is popular with walkers but it is dangerous to walk along the road when there are lorries passing.  
      **Action:** The Clerk to submit the email to Cllr Lovell and will cc it to Arne Parish Council as the suggested footpath would lie in their Parish.

8.
  - a) **6/2016/0334 - Manor Farm Caravan Park, BH20 6AN.** Demolish existing shop and erect detached three bed house with attached double garage and office and shop. **Refused.**
  - b) **6/2016/0306 - Hines Pit, Puddletown Road** Modify Condition 2 of Planning Permission 6/2002/0139 (Sand Extraction) Extension of Duration of Permission until 30 May 2021. **Granted.**  
It has been observed that work is currently being carried out.
9. **Reports from County and District Councillors**
  - a) **County Cllr Lovell**  
The Unitary Consultation has ended and there has been 9000 responses. It is hoped that the information will be viewed at the next County meeting to be held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November.
  - b) **District Council**
    - i) Cllr Quinn gave the District Council update. The Partial Review meeting was held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November due to the numbers wishing to attend it was held at the Purbeck School. There were approximately between 200 to 300 people and 22 of those were registered speakers. Most of the comments related to the environment, housing and the land owners. There were a number of actions and this will be taken forward to be reviewed. The Chairman and the Leader of the Council have paused the process for a year to initiate an independent review of the methodology used. The data for the number of houses came from a study from County, which derived the information from the census on projected growth. There were objections from English Nature and the AONB regarding the Wareham development.
    - ii) The Local Government Review meeting, which was scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> November has been postponed as only 2 of the Dorset MPs are able to attend.
10. **Police issues to report or update on issues reported**  
On 3<sup>rd</sup> November 3 chainsaws were stolen from East Holme. The theft took place during the daytime and they gained access by breaking through a wall.
11. **Travellers Site at Woolbridge**  
There have been no updates about the travellers' site at Woolbridge. The people who were seen last month at Hethfelton were probably collecting wood. The Forestry Commission has moved the boulders to make the entrance narrower.
12. **River Frome Issues**  
The Flood Wardens will keep an eye on the river flow to see if the work undertaken last month has made any effect. The Environment Agency has been digging out the verges but Mr Burden believes that there maybe a blockage underneath the bridge.
13. **Autumn Newsletters**  
The distribution list for Holmebridge and West Holme were not printed off. There are approximately 20 houses on this round. If additional copies are required Cllr Wiltshire said that she would be happy to print it off. The Parish Council has not received the invoice yet from Purbeck District Council to cover

- the printing costs.
- 14. East Stoke and Wool Community Chest**  
This year's round of applications was awarded on 19<sup>th</sup> October. Five groups were awarded:- East Stoke Village Hall, Kids of Wool Building, Wool Youth Club, Wool Primary and Wool Churchyard Maintenance. One application was withdrawn and another was not processed due to fraudulence.
- 15. Village Hall Update**  
An email from the Barrister, Felicity Thomas was received on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November. She explained that she has been very busy with emergency cases but has said that she will do the Village Hall work the weekend of the 5<sup>th</sup> November. The AGM will be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> November.
- 16. Repairs to Fyler headstone**  
Cllr Quinn has looked at it again and the best option appears to be to do either a frame or a bracket and to use hardwood or a metal frame. Sealant will need to be used to fill the crack. He will speak to the owner of the Tower to see if they can use their electricity. The cherry trees need to be cleared near the War Memorial.
- 17. Highways Issues**
- a) Update on issues reported**  
A branch came down in Middlefield and was cleared quickly.
  - b) Traffic survey for Church Lane**  
An email response was received from Joe Allen, the Senior Technician Explaining it would be possible to install some traffic monitoring tubes. The tube counts collect data 24hrs a day and remain in place for at least a full week. Information will be gathered on volume, class, and speed. The cost of this is £250 for a week. The Parish Council did originally asked for it to be undertaken for just one hour each day over a course of a week, but on a daily basis, it would cost £100. It has been noted that the 7.5 Tonnes signs are now obscured due to vegetation. Before a decision is made the questions that need to be asked is how will the data be analysed, will it be on electronic format and can the information obtained be enough to justify lowering the speed limit?  
**Action:** The Clerk to email Joe Allen and to cc it to Jenny Penney.
  - c) Other Issues**  
Cllr Miller met with Tony Smale from the Friends of Wool Station to discuss the pavement to Monkey World. Mr Smale would like to do a feasibility study on the project, however this is deemed to be very expensive. A better solution is to not do the study, but spend the money on the actual path. To undertake the work there will need to be an agreement with Monkey World as at present they are apprehensive about the project as the path would run close to one of the enclosures. Cllr Quinn recommends using a hardcore surface and ask if volunteers could cut down the gorse.
- 18. Consultations for consideration or New Items for Discussion/Consideration**
- a) Dumpy bags and grit bins.** All community bins that are emptied over the winter season after the initial fill will be charged as per last year, if a refill is needed then a form will have to be submitted.

The Clerk has looked in the grit bin opposite the Church and at the Highwood junction and both are full.

**b) Churchyard Beech Hedge**

The Parish Council has agreed for Mr Lee to cut the beech hedge in February.

**c) Purbeck Rough Sleeper Estimate 15 November 2016.** All local authorities are required to submit an annual figure to DCLG indicating the numbers of people sleeping rough in their area.

Cllr Quinn confirmed the question that it does include people in cars. Mr and Mrs Burden occasionally see people sleeping at Holmebridge and they will notify the Clerk if there is anyone there on the 15<sup>th</sup> November.

**Action:** The Clerk to submit the return.

**d) BT - removal of kiosks (East Stoke).** BT give three possible options for response: Object (with reasons), Agree, or Adopt.

The kiosk near the bus shelter has not been used for 12 months, but the notification does not state if the telephone was in working order.

Comments on the way forward need to be submitted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

An option could be to install a defibrillator, however, this would be expensive and it was felt that it is in the wrong place. Other kiosks have been used for books, cycle repair or displaying information, but there were concerns that it might suffer from vandalism. An article about the removal has been published in the newsletter and the Parish Council agreed to wait until next month before making a decision in order to hear residents' suggestions.

**19 Correspondence Received**

**a) Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils (DAPTC) - AGM**  
Saturday 5th November 2016.

**b) DAPTC's Chief Executive Circular.** Reshaping your Councils consultation - deadline 25th October. Advise DAPTC if your council is sending up to 2 representatives to the DAPTC AGM - deadline 31st October

**c) Slides from presentation at the workshops for Local Government**  
Reorganisation

**d) Winfrith SSG meeting - Thursday 3 November 2016.** The meeting starts at 14:00hrs in Winfrith Newburgh Village Hall

This meeting was attended by Cllr Brooks and Cllr Quinn. The work is currently on target. They have surveyed a building by using a drone and the public are able to watch it on YouTube.

**e) Purbeck Affordable Social Housing Forum.** The preferred date is 16 November 2016 at 2pm and the meeting will be held in the Council Chamber.

**f) Purbeck Citizens Advice AGM.** A copy of their Annual Report 2015/16 and Impact Report for the same period.

**g) Swanage Dementia Workshop on Monday 24th October 2016**

**h) Local Government Finance Settlement - deadline 28th October.** Template letter to be sent to MPs.

**i) Advance notification of cycle events.** Event for a non-competitive mountain bike event taking place on Saturday 12th November 2016 and a non-competitive cycling sportive taking place on Sunday 13th November 2016.

There was a clash of events as the Sunday one was going to go pass a Remembrance Parade at Lulworth. The Parade has been done unofficially for years, therefore the problem was not automatically made aware of by the authorities. Cllr Quinn has arranged for the cycle event to be cancelled and the Army will now formally apply each year for the road to be closed. The Weymouth Ironman will be called into account by County. Businesses were affected by the numerous road closures. This included a restaurant being informed a set time when the road would re-open but it was still closed for a long time afterwards and customers could not get through. The planned Ironman for next year will be half the distance. The current regulations state that a race has to notify the Police and a sportive to Highways.

- j) Recycle for Dorset October newsletter - What are we doing about fly-tipping?
- k) Purbeck Community Network Event 10th November 2016. To be held in Winfrith Village Hall from 10am to 1.30pm.
- l) Meeting to take place on Partial Review of the Purbeck Local Plan. To take place at The Purbeck School on Wednesday 2 November.
- m) Family Partnership Zone Meeting - Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. An invitation to their inaugural meeting.
- n) Proposed temporary closure of B3070 at Holme level crossing. These works are programmed to commence at 23.30hrs on Saturday 05 November until 08.30hrs on Sunday 06 November  
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It will be closed until 8:30 rather than 10:30 which was displayed on the posters near the crossing.
- o) Parish precepts. The proposal is that town and parish councils with a precept of over £500,000 and a council tax equivalent to £75.46 at band D or more, will require a referendum if they propose an increase in their council tax of more than 2%.

## 20. Finance

### a) The following receipt was noted

Second half of Precept/Grant	£4375.00
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### To approve the following payment:

Payments	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment October Salary	£213.88	000526

It was resolved that the above payment schedule was paid

### b) Annual Return

#### i) External auditor's report

The External Auditor's report was circulated via email. This report was noted.

#### ii) Completion of the Annual Return year ending 31st March 2016

It was resolved that the Annual Return year ending 31st March 2016 was accepted and approved.

### c) Second quarter budget report 30th September 2016.

The bank reconciliation, bank statements and a copy of the Receipts and Payments Cashbook were circulated with the papers for this meeting. The bank reconciliation at 30th September agreed with the Receipts and Payments Cashbook balance of £32,688.66.

**d) Purchase of wreath for Remembrance Sunday**

Cllr Quinn has spoken to Colin Parr and he will organise the wreaths. The British Legion always lay a wreath as well and Cllr Quinn suggested that the Parish Council should pay for both. It was agreed by all to donate £60 for payment of both wreaths. The donation will be made next month.

**Action:** The Clerk to add item to next month's agenda.

**21. Items for Information or next agenda**

- a)** Mr Lee should be asked to cut the grass before Remembrance Sunday and the funeral that will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> November.

**Action:** The Clerk to contact Mr Lee.

- b)** Cllr Evans sends her apologies for the next meeting.

**22. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 1st December 2016 at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:30hrs.

Chairman: .....Date.....