

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018

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

APOLOGIES        Cllr Neil Child (Vice Chairman)  
                         Cllr Barry Quinn  
                         County Cllr Wharf  
                         Cllr Brooks (District Councillor)  
                         Cllr Miller (District Councillor)

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

**1. Public Participation Time**

- a) The Flood Wardens have noticed the “new” bridge at Holmebridge rattles if a trailer or HGV goes over it. The cause is due to the pipe being bolted on to the side and which vibrates it everytime a heavy vehicle goes over the dip on the northern side of the bridge.

**Action:** The Clerk will report it on Dorsetforyou.

- b) The Vicar stated that the Church will be able to help with the quiz night to raise funds for the village hall. A church service will be held in the Mill Paddock on the 8<sup>th</sup> July and there will be a football family themed service on the 17<sup>th</sup> June.

- c) A resident explained that he visited the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War bunker just before it was dismantled.

**2. Apologies**

Apologies were received and approved for Cllr Child, Cllr Quinn, County Cllr Wharf, Cllr Brooks and 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 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018**

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 were approved as a true account.

**6. Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising.

**7. Planning Applications or Planning Information received**

**TWA/2018/090 - Kemps Country House, BH20 6AL.** (T1) Ash - removal of 1 limb growing towards building; (T2) Chestnut (multi-stemmed) - removal of 1 limb which brushes against building - District of Purbeck (Kemps Country House Hotel, East Stoke) TPO 2015 (Ref.TPO 447).

The Parish Council have no comments or objections to this planning application.

**8. Update on Previous Planning Applications or planning information**

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. **Approved.**

#### **10. Reports from County and District Councillors**

##### **a) County**

- i) County Cllr Wharf has been in contact with the Gypsy Liaison Officer, Paula Clover and she explained that she can always be reached by either email or mobile. It was confirmed that it is a district responsibility to provide sites and not a County duty. Travellers have been at the site for approximately 12 years, however nearby residents have raised concerns about anti-social behaviour, drugs and concern for the welfare of the child who lives there. It was discussed as to whether the best solution would be to make it a permanent site as it can be monitored better and sanitation would be installed. Due to the length of time they have been at the site they could claim squatter's rights. The County legal team is currently investigating.  
**Action:** It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Paula Clover asking for the Parish Council to be kept updated on the legal status and to raise concerns of safeguarding regarding the child.
- ii) The update on Woolbridge is the Project Engineer will be completing various forms of inspection of the rest of the structure. The internal contractor is starting to make contact with various sub-contractors who will assist with specialised areas of the work such as the temporary dam and the scaffolding. The archaeology side of the project, required when working on a listed structure, has been underway for some time and they are expecting the desk based assessment back shortly. There are various consents that remain outstanding and these will ultimately govern exactly when the site work can commence.

##### **b) District**

There was no report from District.

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

There was an accident on the B3070 near the Holme Lane junction where three vehicles were involved the Police have said there was nothing conclusive.

#### **11. Footpath to Monkey World**

A meeting was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> April with Highways, Monkey World, County Cllr Wharf, the District Councillors and East Stoke and Wool Parish Councils. The meeting was positive and the outcome was to investigate possible sources of funding. Wool Parish Council will donate some of their money from the Purbeck Gate and Dorset Innovation Park developments. The Monkey World representative will consult Dr Cronin to see how much they can contribute, but for the project to go ahead they will need to donate a significant amount. The path will cost more money than what was initially anticipated due to legal fees regarding the MOD and SSSI.

The cheapest option to run the path to the bottom of Monkey World and this planned will be explored again. However, it is owned by the Drax Estate and they highlighted that it will be costly for Monkey World as they would have to provide extra facilities if there was a pedestrian gate installed there. It was commented upon by the Parish Council that the majority of people who walk there are actually Monkey World employees. One major factor is the Highways budget for this type of work is £1.5 million, which is shared out throughout the County. The next meeting will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> June at 5.30pm in the D'Urberville, Wool, all Parish Councillors are welcome to attend.

#### **12. Arne Moors Project**

The Environment Agency has looked at other similar projects and they have discovered that they could be liable and prosecuted if they do not maintain the banks. The major concern is that it could flood the village of Arne and the river could silt up. It was asked if the Parish Council would like Ian Alexander from Natural England to give a presentation and it was agreed to invite him to the meeting in September.

**13. Parking on the Parish Land for a charity event**

Wool & Winfrith FC are holding a presentation event at the Black Dog Inn on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June. As car parking is limited they have asked if the Parish Land could be used. Advice from the Parish Council's Insurance company was sought and they recommended that the Football Club need to produce a copy of their Public Liability Insurance and to carry out a risk assessment. It was agreed that the Parish Council should also complete a risk assessment and it needs to include details about the well. Signs will be displayed stating that cars are parked at their own risk. They have stated that the cars will only be parked there during the course of the event and will then be moved. Marshalls will need to wear high vis and to be present at all times. Due to them not being vetted, they cannot marshal on the highway.

**Action** Cllr Cady and Cllr Wiltshire to risk assess the land on the 6<sup>th</sup> June and the Clerk will forward it to the organisers.

**14. Hethfelton Woods Issues**

a) The pigs have now been moved to two different areas, which are the western enclosure along the north/south ride going past the phone mast and at the southern end. They did display warning signs, but more are needed to cover all the access points so people coming from the various directions can be forewarned. Everytime the pigs are moved the signs need to be moved.

**Action:** The Clerk to write to the Forestry Commission

b) The Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Waste Plan & Mineral Sites Plan has gone forward to the Secretary of State with the inspectorate examination taking place in July. The Mineral Sites Plan hearings will be held at the end of September. Cllr Wiltshire sought approval from the Parish Council that she could represent them and it was agreed by all. She explained that participants will be constrained to only speak about the soundness or legal compliance of the plans. New comments can be forwarded, but they must comply with the same guidelines. The Open Spaces have cited the legality of it and Cllr Wiltshire will use their information. The Planning Age Voluntary Services offers guidance for community groups and Cllr Wiltshire asked if the Parish Council could use them. It was agreed by all that it would be a good idea to use this service. One of the issues that will be talked about is the online representation form is not the same as the postal one. Also, Cllr Wiltshire will emphasise the importance of the Great Planation, as a leisure destination as she has photographs of numerous cars parked in the layby.

**15. Highways Issues**

**a) Update on issues reported**

i) Cllr Wiltshire and the Clerk attended a site meeting with Ian Styring from the Community Highways Office on 21<sup>st</sup> May to review highway issues, including the B3070/Manor Lane junction which when it was visited was very busy in both directions. He accepted that the signage is not sufficiently visible and agreed to arrange for the trees and other vegetation to be cut back so that the existing sign could be seen from a far greater distance. He commented upon event signage that was being put up and said that the policy is to disallow all of them.

- ii) There were two HGVs delivering to Holme for Gardens main entrance, which caused congestion at the junction. It has been observed that the owner often directs them to help to ease the problems. It was questioned whether there was a condition in the planning application to have a delivery area.

**Action:** The Clerk to write to the owner asking what plans are in place to have a delivery area.

- iii) During the tour, weeds on the A352 pavement was pointed out and he explained that the best way to clear them is to contact Dorset Waste so they can use a street cleaner on it.
- iv) The “right turn” sign at Rushton now has a job number and it should be completed by the end of June.
- v) Hethfelton House has until July 26th 2020 to make a start on their new access.
- vi) The lining on the A352 approach to the Holmebridge junction has been reviewed, which includes the removal of a painted ‘50’ roundel on the eastbound approach. It was suggested that it really needs a double white lines as when the barriers are down, there are often queues onto the A352. It was agreed to wait until next month to see what Highways do in the meantime.
- vii) It was commented that a resident along the B3070 often parks on the layby opposite his house and this limits visibility on this stretch of road.

**Action:** The Clerk will email the resident.

**b) Manor Lane Junction**

Discussed 255/15/a

**c) Rushton Rail Crossing**

A delivery driver has complained that they have to open the gates themselves and there should be an automatic push button. The system was installed, but was never made operational. It was agreed to approach Network Rail to make them aware of this problem.

**d) Other Issues**

The Binnegar House redevelopment appears not to operate a one way system where the two existing access points are used separately for access/egress. The proposal now is to have one entrance for the four bungalows and the other 25 dwellings using the other access point. It was asked if this was agreed at the planning stage.

**16. Consultations for consideration or New Items for Discussion/Consideration**

- a) Action required - DAPTC Survey on LGR matters. Survey about the new unitary council arrangements. Deadline closes on the 20th May. **Noted.**
- b) Wareham Neighbourhood Plan - Pre-submission consultation. The consultation runs until Friday 13th July. **Noted.**

**17. Correspondence Received**

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

- a) Confirm Report: Road works report – Purbeck. No roadworks are planned for East Stoke. **Noted.**

- b) Temporary Closure of Public Bridleway 1, East Stoke. This will take place at Binnegar Quarry on come into operation on the 5th May for a period of 5 days. **Noted.**
- c) Views wanted on healthcare services for children and young people in Dorset. The survey can be completed online at online via the Dorset's Vision website - [www.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk/beheard](http://www.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk/beheard). **Noted.**
- d) Royal Wedding Licensing Hours Extension Approved. The extra hours permitted are:  
from 11pm on Friday 18th May 2018 until 1am on Saturday 19th May 2018;  
and from 11pm on Saturday 19th May 2018 until 1am on Sunday 20th May 2018. **Noted.**
- e) Camp Bestival & Bestival Meetings 09 May 2018. The meeting will be held at the Purbeck District Council Offices. **Noted.**
- f) NALC Newsletter – 3 May 2018. Including an article on Gillingham Town Council as 'Council Spotlight of the Week'. **Noted.**
- g) Volunteers honoured at annual ceremony. Dedicated volunteers from across the District of Purbeck have received thanks and recognition for their work at a ceremony in Wareham. **Noted.**
- h) Wool Neighbourhood Plan Area Designation Proposal Consultation. Parts of East Stoke will not be included in the Plan. **Noted.**
- i) Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Waste Plan & Minerals Sites Plan Examination Information. The hearings will take place at the end of September. **Noted.**
- j) NALC action on GDPR - moves to remove need for Data Protection Officer. Local councils are not required to have a Data Protection Officer. **Noted.**
- k) Monthly Report from County Cllr Wharf. It includes articles on Flytipping, Armed Forces Covenant and the Lost Words for Dorset Schools. **Noted.**
- l) Dorchester marathon Road Closures. The event will be on Sunday 27th May. **Noted.**
- m) Proposed warding arrangements for unitary councils – Briefing sessions 11 June. This will be at the Purbeck District Council Offices between 2 to 4pm. **Noted.**
- n) DAPTC AGM timetable and proposal process. The AGM will be on Saturday 10th November. **Noted.**
- o) Wool to Innovation Park - shared use footway. The works which were due to start on 28th May are now programmed to start on 11th June. **Noted.**
- p) Confirm Report: Road works report – Purbeck. This includes Capital Works on Wool Bridge from 2nd July to 31st December 2018. **Noted.**

## 18. Finance

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| a) |   |               |                  |
|    | <b>Payments</b>   | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Cheque No</b> |
|    | Miss E Maidment May Salary  | £213.17       | 000713           |
|    | Dorset County Pension Fund  | £62.03        | 000714           |
|    | Zurich Municipal  | £341.41       | 000715           |
|    | Citizens Advice   | £50.00        | 000716           |
|    | Purbeck Film Festival   | £50.00        | 000717           |
|    | Dorset Association of Town and Parish Councils(DAPTC Introductory Training for Councillors) | £40.00        | 000718           |
|    | Paula Harding – Audit   | £45.00        | 000719           |

Chairman's Initials

Minute No. 255

c) **Parish Council Annual Return**

**For year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

i) **To complete, approve and sign Section 1 – The Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return (enclosed)**

It was resolved that Section 1 of the Annual Return and the explanation of differences were approved. Section 1 was then signed by the Chairman.

ii) **Approval of Annual Statement of Accounts**

**To consider and approve Section 2 of the Annual Return and the explanation of differences (enclosed)**

A copy of Section 2 was circulated with the agenda papers for the meeting.

It was unanimously agreed that all the answers to the statements were 'yes' except for the one regarding Trust Funds as the Parish Council is not the sole trustee of any trust funds. Section 2 was then signed by the Chairman.

d) **Consider and approve payments for Annual Subscriptions to the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC)**

The Clerk has not used these services during the previous year and said that she is happy to just receive the magazine for £32 a year, which will be split with the East Lulworth Parish Council so will only a contribution of £16 would be required.

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

There has been news coverage about Bestival announcing that they will be providing drug testing facilities.

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

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.35

Chairman:

Date.....