

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017

PRESENT                    Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)  
                                 Cllr Neil Child (Vice Chairman)  
                                 Cllr Chris Evans  
                                 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire  
                                 Cllr Julie Wright

APOLOGIES                Cllr Cherry Brooks (District Councillor)  
                                 Cllr Barry Quinn  
                                 County Cllr Wharf  
                                 District Cllr Laura Miller

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

**1. Public Participation Time**

- a)        Mrs Burden said they have noticed that vegetation has been cut back near the River Station. Unfortunately, this has resulted in a lot of the weeds being wrapped around the pillars of the bridge. They will contact the Environment Agency to suggest they look around the arches and will notify the Clerk of the outcome.
- b)        Mr Whitmarsh commented upon the weight restriction signs along Bindon Lane and Church Lane are all obscured due to overgrown vegetation. There has been an increase in the amount of coaches and HGVs using Church Lane. It was also discussed the hedge at the Holme Lane/B3070 junction has still not been cut back. The Clerk asked the householder in August to trim it but this is still to be done.  
**Action:** The Clerk will send a reminder to the householder and report the signs on Dorsetfor you.

**2. Apologies**

Apologies were received and approved for District Cllr Brooks and Miller, Cllr Quinn and County Cllr Wharf.

**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 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

In the minutes it should have stated “saplings” rather than “samplings” and Goldsack instead of “Goodsack”. After these amendments were made it was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017 were approved as a true account. The minutes were then duly signed.

**6. Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**7. Parish Councillor Vacancy**

There has been a nil response regarding the vacancy. It was agreed that it

should be advertised in the newsletter.

**8. Planning Applications or Planning Information received**

**TWA/2017/177 The Coach House, BH20 6AL.** (G1) 3 x multi-stemmed limes-crown reduce to 8m height and 4m spread; crown lift to 8m; crown thin all trees by up to 25%; remove all epicormics and basal growth; remove dead wood from secondary and tertiary branches.

The Parish Council had no comments or objections to this application.

**9. Update on Previous Planning Applications or Planning Information Received**

**6/2017/0425, Holme Nurseries, BH20 6AQ.** Garden reception building, tea room extensions and new covered walkway. **Approved.**

**Noted.**

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

This item was postponed until the next meeting as there were no County or District Councillors present.

**11. Police issues to report or update on issues reported.**

It was asked if there has been anymore problems at the Woodlands holiday homes. None of the Councillors have received any complaints regarding parties taken place or excessive noise.

**12. Maintenance of Churchyards**

This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

**13. Village Hall and Parish Land Update.**

a) A letter has been sent to the Barrister and we are now waiting for a response.

b) The Clerk will obtain quotes for the fencing and it was suggested to ask Alan Morgan from Young Farmers and Corbins. The fence near the gate has been damaged and Mr Haskell will be asked if he could repair it.

**14. Items for Newsletter**

It was suggested that there should be an article on the Hethfelton Woods as the next part of the consultation is expected run during December and January.

Details on the opening of the pub will be published and it is hoped to include photographs of the interior. The deadline for submitting articles is 16<sup>th</sup> October and it will be printed during that week to be ready for the 20<sup>th</sup> October. Ms Salmon asked the Parish Council for permission to cut back the hedge. The Clerk will check the insurance policy that a volunteer can undertake the work.

**15. New website**

The Parish Council are still eligible to apply for the grant. For the current website the Clerk claimed 3 hours overtime. It was agreed that the work will be done in November and the Clerk will keep a record of her hours.

**16. Highways Issues**

**a) Update on issues reported**

- i) An email was received from Phil Goodland giving an update on all highway issues. Jobs are now scheduled for a new chevron sign on the corner near the East Holme junction, slow road markings south of the Manor Lane junction in West Holme and the vegetation to be cut back obscuring the side road to the left warning sign at the same location.

- ii) The pavement along the A352 has now been strimmed and sprayed. It was commented upon that it appears to be working however there still seems to be lots of debris especially around the bus shelter.
- iii) Cllr Wiltshire said at the Manor Lane junction they were going to put a slow sign and enhance the signage but it has all gone quiet. Vegetation still needs to be cut back as the current signage is obscured.  
**Action:** The Clerk to report online and give the incident number to County Cllr Wharf.
- iv) An email to Phil Goodland has been sent regarding extending the 40mph limit through Hethfelton. The Clerk is currently waiting for a response and will forward the email onto County Cllr Wharf.
- v) There has been various event signage including one for SwanFest that Cllr Wiltshire took down as the event had already occurred and it contained such a small font that it would be a hazard for drivers to try to read it. A Colmar Construction sign has been placed on highways signage and due to the advertising nature could be left there for months or even years. It was asked if County Cllr Wharf could report it to Highways. It has been observed that the other entrance has not been opened up yet and HGVs are using the original access which is dangerous due to the lack of visibility.  
**Action:** The Clerk will ask District Cllr Brooks if she can find out more.

**b) Footpath to Monkey World**

No update

**c) Bestival wash-up meeting**

No update

**d) Potential new footpaths**

The Clerk has sent another email to Tara Hansford but she has still not responded so it was suggested to telephone her.

**e) Highways Tour update**

Discussed Item 247/16/a

**f) Other Issues**

The BT manhole cover by the Stokeford Inn has sunken into the ground and is extremely dangerous.

**Action:** The Clerk to report it online.

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

**a) Government Consultation - Planning for the right homes in the right places.**

It can be accessed via

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-for-the-right-homes-in-the-right-places-consultation-proposals>. The consultation closes at 11.45pm on 9 November 2017. **Noted.**

**b) DCC Grit Bins/Dumpy Bags - Winter Season 2017/18. Ordering needs to be done as soon as possible.**

All the grit bins have been checked and an order is not required.

- c) Outstanding issues from ward tour. The footway/verge alongside the A352 at East Stoke has recently been trimmed & sprayed.

Item discussed 247/16/a

- d) Motions from member councils for consideration at the DAPTC 2017 AGM to be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November. **Noted.**
- e) Superfast Dorset Community Broadband for West Holme. The costings for the project will be announced in early/mid October.  
To be added to next month's agenda.

## 17. Correspondence Received

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

- a) Tuesday 26th September Invitation to Stepping Into Nature - Get Involved. An invitation to a conference organised by the Dorset AONB. **Noted.**
- b) Dorset Local Access Forum Recruitment - Deadline: Friday 6 October 2017. The Forum independent advice with regards to improving outdoor access/green space for people to enjoy by foot, horse, bike and car. **Noted.**
- c) Scam awareness. The Police have received reports of scam calls involving HMRC. **Noted.**
- d) Parish and Town Council Chairmen and Clerks Liaison Meeting. To take place on Wednesday 11 October at 6:30pm.  
Cllr Cady, Cllr Quinn, District Cllr Brooks and the Clerk will attend.
- e) Iron Man Triathlon - Sunday 17 September 2017. A reminder of various road closures.  
It was felt that this year it was a lot better organised.
- f) Member briefing - School Transport. An operational update on School Transport for Dorset Travel. **Noted.**
- g) Heating Oil Club Letter. Publicity letter from oil.club.co.uk. **Noted.**
- h) Meet The Team. Calendar of dates and venues for the September Meet the Team events. **Noted.**
- i) Boundary Commission for England - 2018 Review: Revised proposals for the South West. The Boundary Commission intends to publish revised proposals for new Parliamentary Constituency Boundaries on Tuesday 17 October 2017. **Noted.**
- j) Temporary closure of B3070 at Holme Level Crossing. It will be closed from 23:45 on Mon 2nd October to 06:45 on Tuesday 3rd October. **Noted.**
- k) PTAG AGM 20 Sept Agenda & Action Sheet. The Purbeck Transport Action Group Action list includes mass cycling events. **Noted.**
- l) Trains. The bid for the new franchise for SW Trains includes a suggestion of putting Wool and Moreton down to one an hour through to Waterloo.

Due to East Stoke's location people were anyway more likely to use the Wareham station due to more frequent trains.

- m) LiveWell Dorset Stoptober Campaign Information Pack and Poster. Information from the LiveWell Dorset Team. **Noted.**
- n) Fund finder link for Lytchet Matravers. Link to potential sources of grant funding. **Noted.**
- o) September 2017 CE circular from DAPTC. Proposals for local government reorganisation – update information. **Noted.**
- p) The Moors at Arne public drop-in session – 3<sup>rd</sup> October. They are exploring how it can be converted to an intertidal habitat. **Noted.**
- q) Age UK Dorchester “Reach Out” befriending Service. An article publicising this service. **Noted.**
- r) Latest highways news: Walking to school and reporting road collisions. RTAs can now be reported online using the dorsetforyou portal. **Noted.**

## 19. Finance

### a) Receipts

The following receipt was **noted**:

Second half of Precept/grant from PDC	£4375.00
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### b) Payments

	Amount	Cheque No
Miss E Maidment Sept 17 Salary	£204.14	000684
Dorset County Pension Fund and employer contributions Sep 17	£59.40	000685
BDO LLP Audit	£120.00	000686
Reimburse Miss E Maidment for purchase of stamps	£6.72	000687

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

## 20. Items for Information or next agenda

- a) Cllr Wright is unable to attend the next meeting.
- b) Mrs Axon will check with the British Legion that a wreath has been ordered. The donation and details will be discussed at the next meeting.
- c) The broadband and Monkey World footpath will be added to the next agenda.

## 20. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 19:52.

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