

**Minutes of the Winterborne St Martin Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St. Martin on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017.**

**Democratic Period commenced at 7.30pm.**

Present: - Parish councillors Mr P. Jeffery. (Chairman) Mr D. Read, Mrs D. Wiltshire, Mrs A. Bennett, Mr M. Usherwood, Mr M. Hall, Mrs A. Priddle and Mr S. Slade (Clerk) and nine members of the public.

Questions raised and responses given were:-

Why were the previous minutes not displayed on the parish notice-boards? *The minutes were displayed and will in future be included on the website.*

What action is being taken to have the surface in North Rew Lane repaired? *The DCC are aware and will take appropriate action.*

What action is being taken to erect signs to warn of concealed entrances along the A35 in the vicinity of the junction of North Rew Lane with the A35? *The Highways Agency written response in this regard was read.*

The speed of vehicles travelling along the B3159 road at the east end of the village from the Hardy Monument Road junction with the B3159 road was often excessive and could speed cameras be used with a view to getting speed reduced. In this regard it might be helpful to have the 30mph speed restriction signs relocated further to the west. *The Community PCSO will be asked to request that the police speed monitoring team attend at this location. The DCC will be asked if the 30mph signs near Duke Close can be moved further to the west.*

The poor condition of the surface of the cycle route to Clandon Farm from the junction with the C53 is not very cyclist friendly. *It was reported that this route is to be up-graded in the near future.*

Could the recently formed earth bank near the entrance to McDonald's restaurant be planted with shrubs? *DCC will be planting grass seed on this bank..*

**The Parish Council meeting commenced at 8.02 pm.**

Present: - As recorded for the Democratic Period above.

Apologies tendered on behalf of Mr J. Walker and Mr N.Hallett.

**Declaration of interests.**

There were no declarations of interests.

**1. MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016 had been circulated to all members.

Proposed by Mr D. Read and seconded by Mr M.Usherwood

**Resolved**

That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record.

**2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.**

None considered.

**3. FINANCIAL MATTERS.**

***a. Payments since the last meeting***

K.Damen	Grass cutting	£150.00
SSE	Electric	£ 92.21 + £ 4. 61 (VAT).

M.J.Fry	River cleaning	£840.00 + £168.00 (VAT).
HMRC	Tax	£120.60
S.Slade	Clerk fee	£482.10

***b. Receipts since the last meeting: -***

None received.

***c. Approval of accounts for payment.***

Graham Herbert Parish Council Web-site costs £336.00.

***d. Funds in the Parish Council Account.***

The clerk reported that the balance of £14,322.96 was held in the Parish Council Account and reconciled to the bank statement Number 92 dated 9<sup>th</sup> January 2016. ***Noted.***

***e. Precept for 2017/2018***

The matter of the precept for 2017/2018 was considered in detail following which it was proposed by Mrs D. Wiltshire and seconded by Mr P. Jeffery that the Parish Council precept to be requested for 2017/2018 is £5,500.00.

**4. PLANNING MATTERS.**

***A. Comments made on Planning Applications during the interim period since the last meeting.***

***B. Matters considered at the meeting.***

- i. Convert outbuilding to holiday accommodation at Lower Rew. No objections.
- ii. Change use of the office building and the swimming pool building to residential use at Rew Manor Farm. It was agreed to wait for the formal planning application before forwarding comments to WDDC.

***C. Matters considered by WDDC/DCC***

- i. Outline application to erect dwelling on land at East Lodge. Approved with conditions.

**5. PARKING ALONG THE C53 ROAD NEAR McDONALD'S RESTAURANT.**

A meeting has been scheduled with the Chairman, Winterborne Monkton parish chairman and representatives of the Duchy Estates to discuss the problem of parking in the vicinity of McDonald's Restaurant.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS RAISED.**

- i. The Highways England had responded to correspondence from the clerk stating that they would not be erecting "concealed entrance" signs along the A35 in the vicinity of North Rew Lane.
- ii. DCC had confirmed that a new chevron sign will be erected at the bend near the junction of the B3159 road with the road to Monkton.
- iii. DAPTC information can be accessed via their web-site. This details dates of meetings and events organised by them.

**7. FOOTPATH REPORT.**

Mr Read reported that there were no serious problems with footpaths.

**8. COMMUNICATIONS.**

This is being progressed and the new website created by Mr G. Herbert will be "live" in February.

**9 PCSO MATTERS.**

Times of the attendance in the village by the PCSO were reported and will be entered on the Village Web-site. Information will be given by the PSCO in February on scams and frauds.

**10. WASTE WATCH.**

The collection of used newspapers and magazines is continuing and makes funds that can be used for village organisations. More newspapers and magazines will be welcome.

**11. VILLAGE HALL**

The chairman informed those present that Mrs Ann Moorcroft the Village Hall Treasurer had sadly passed away and her funeral will be held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

**12. MARTINSTOWN CRICKET CLUB.**

The proposed extension to improve the facility at Ashton will be constructed “in house” and hopefully starting immediately after the 2017 season.

**13. AMENITY MATTERS.**

- i. Magna Housing Association had responded to a letter from the clerk advising that they would be unable to provide additional parking on land in their control at Manor Grove.
- ii. Village seats will be removed for maintenance and painting during the winter months.
- iii. The owners of Park House will be asked to cut-back the ivy from their property which is overhanging onto the public footpath.
- iv. The litter bin at the southern end of Stevens Farm Lane is too small. Dorset Waste Partnership will be asked to provide a larger bin at this location.
- v. Village Open Gardens will this year be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June. Profit raised from this event will be used to help towards the cost of refurbishing the village hall play-area.
- vi. An entry will be made into the 2017 Best Kept Village Competition.
- vii. It was reported that smoke from bonfires in the area was causing a nuisance. WDDC will be asked to explain the law relating to this type of nuisance.

**14. FLOOD WARDEN MATTERS.**

The SWCFAG will continue to monitor the South Winterbourne stream and take appropriate action should obstructions in the flow of water be reported.

A camera survey of the interior of the drainage pipe in front of and to the south of Park House will be carried out to find the extent of the build-up of silt in the pipe.

**15. NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

This will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in the Parish Office starting at 7.30pm.

**16. CLOSURE OF MEETING.**

The meeting was closed at 9.36 pm.

.....Chairman

Date.....