

2020/06-8 To consider all correspondence received for decision, consultation and information (see list)-Items for noting:

- a. Item 3- Website accessibility, the PC need to meet the new accessibility requirements by 20th Sept.
- b. Item 4- General guidance on managing public parks and spaces was received.
- c. Item 5- Information on heading out of lockdown risk assessments was received.
- d. Item 6- DAPTC AGM information and proposals
- e. Item 7- Wastewatch- are looking for a new site to store the papers as the have lost the barn they were using.
- f. Item 8- Complaints were received about over grown vegetation and the grass verge at Manor Farm Court, the ranger has now cut back the area, verges are still to be cut back when the countryside team catch up following being re-deployed during Covid.
- g. Item 9- The Allotment site has now been cleared and plots marked, 2 Allotmentees had met with MU, DR & The Clerk to view the plots and have now taken on a plot each, water is still an issue but water butts, and a bowser are being sought for the site. The Council thanked all those involved in setting this project up and it is hoped to fill the other 2 allotments shortly.
- h. Item 11- DAPTC consultation on the Code of Conduct and the DAPTC constitution- Cllrs to read and make comment.

2020/06-9 Highways, Countryside & ROW:

- i. **To discuss the verge cutting in the village-** The Council noted that the verges have not been cut this year, KD had received complaints about the state of the verges in the village, also the state of the bridleway near the Washingpool. Cllr Tarr will follow this up with David Ackerley the ranger also Cllr Tarr will ask about the bridleway by the pub as it is now dangerous.
- ii. **To receive any highways issues**
Cllr Tarr reported on the works to the MacDonald's, Highways England do not want anything on the roundabout side of entrance, north side of road the DC team are happy to for the works to go ahead if money can be found. It is now only half the scheme and with some materials at the local farm it shouldn't be difficult to find the funds within DC. RT also commented that it is hoped to use local contractors working in the area to assist with this project. The siting of a bund in front of the field gateway will also be part of the works now with an informal agreement that if there was a need to use the entrance it would not take much work to remove the bund. There is now permission from the Duchy to carry out these works. Some concerns were raised regarding those restaurants who don't have a drive through, and if there was preparation for opening on the 4th July there could be significant traffic issues at DC highways. RT commented that one factor is that another drive through has opened at another location within Dorchester so this may well reduce with the competition. It was also thought that temporary water filled bollards an be installed on the roundabout side of the entrance as a temporary measure. This will be dependent on the delivery as they are being widely used all over the County. No time scale at present to start the works but likely to be months rather than years.
- iii. **To consider any other highways issues-**
Speed Indicator Device report-May 2020

Total number of speed readings taken = 52,035	60 mph (11/05/2020 12:55 PM)
>30mph = 17,868	58 mph (11/5/2020 2:20 PM)
>40mph = 1,409	57 mph (7/5/2020 10:52 PM)
>50mph = 37	57 mph (29/5/2020 11:16 AM)
Average Recorded Speed = 34mph	55 mph (2/5/20 12:21 AM)
Top recorded speeds:	54 mph (2/6/2020 5:38 PM)

NB. Number of speed readings does not equal number of vehicles.

Slower moving vehicles record more speed measurements than slower moving vehicles.

A vehicle travelling at 30mph will record 3 or 4 measurements, vs a vehicle moving at 50mph would only record a single measurement.

2020/06-10 RoW and Footpaths: to receive a report

The Style has now been fixed, RT will look contact the ranger regarding the bridleway issue that has still not been carried out but no further news about the bridleway being used by tractors. There was a suggestion that there may be a permissive path could be put down the top edge of the bridleway, some one suggested that the permissive path could be usable. AB to look into this.

2020/06-11 Parish Council Property:

i. To consider the quote for bench maintenance

A quote was received for the maintenance of the 5 wooden benches. The cost would be up to £100 to £125 per bench. DW explained that the budget in Nov was to replace a bench per year. Perhaps the PC should come back to that proposal.

The PC proposed that the 2 benches are maintained, see if the PC are happy with the maintenance and then look in the next financial year, there was a discussion over memorial benches, it was suggested that the plaque is removed from the bench and placed on a new bench. Also, any future suggestions for memorial benches need to be considered and a maintenance fee is charged. KD suggested that we leave the benches on the village green this year and maintain the bench at Rylstone and opposite Manor Grove. This was agreed. Clerk to contact the contractor.

Proposed PJ

Seconded MU

Resolved

ii. To receive a report on the progress of the allotment site. Discussed earlier in the meeting

2020/06-12 To receive reports from:

i. Village Hall representatives to consider the play area- No meeting carried out as yet, VH are now looking at opening the play area, advice is that signage should be installed for user responsibility. The biggest issue for cleaning the VH is who is responsible for cleaning. It is likely that the VH may not open up this side of September. The issue is funding of the VH. Although a £10,000 was received from Dorset Council. An email regarding Tesco community funding was circulated and will be sent to the VH committee.

ii. Winterbourne Community Fund (was the Blanchard Trust)- none at this time

iii. Waste watch representatives- previously discussed, it is hoped that this is not the end of this KD mentioned that the RR could be used, it was noted that the organisers were given the contacts for the trustees

iv. PCSO- none at this time

2020/06-13 Items for the Parish Council meeting on Weds 24th June 2020

2020/06-14 Democratic forum 15 minutes –

KD commented on the issue of Himalayan Balsam in the stream. A resident asked for this to be raised, the issue is that this is an invasive species. This person is asking if the PC can intervene. It was noted that there isn't actually a legal requirement remove it but you are not allowed to let it spread to another person's land.

The inland waterways suggest a Himalayan Bash, KD suggested a HB bash but actually info suggested this is not a good idea and should be a controlled using a licensed contractor. AB asked who owns the piece of stream where it is located as it should be the riparian responsibility of the owner in that area.

It is understood it is located from the Hardys monument corner to the Brewers Arms. This is the landowner's responsibility. PJ explained that it started in Winterbourne Abbas, seeded and was taken down stream. MU noted that having now seen a plant he hasn't many sections in the stream. MU suggested that if we could get volunteers to help clear once the number of plants have been identified. It is not a Council responsibility but for the community and riparian owners, but the difficulty is that getting rid of this as you are not allowed to burn it. The PC should still be asking the riparian owners to remove the weed. KD will walk from pub to the Hardys turning and around the corner, MU will walk the other end of the village.

Another resident asked what the Council's decision is regarding the stream clearing this year. DW commented that the money was in the budget to clear the stream of vegetation and the silt clearance, so the PC would carry out the clean within the open period of April to Oct. Clerk will contact the contractor to book these works in so it can be carried out at the same time as the other villages in the valley. For those who ask for their area of stream not to be cleared they will be informed that if there is any flooding caused by the lack of maintenance, they will be responsible.

PJ reported on the passing of Brian Thompson, he was on the PC for many years. Condolences to the family were to be noted in the minutes.

MU spoke on the request for recognition to the village shop for all their support for the village during Covid. DW commented that it is difficult to single anyone out as so many have supported the community and gone above and beyond during this time. The PC agreed to prepare a formal letter to all those who we could be identified. This would also be placed in the Village magazine and on Facebook.

RT asked the PC if they had been consulted on the Dorset Safe Streets map, the PC had not been informed of this. It is a basic map where cycle routes, safe paths and other accessibility issues can be raised as there is funding available for the schemes that are most supported and viable. The Clerk will circulate the link and place this on the Facebook page.

Meeting closed 8.15pm