

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 29th January 2020

Councillors Present:

Mrs D Wiltshire (DW)(Chairman)	Mr M Usherwood (MU)
Mr D Read (DR)	Mrs A Bennett (AB)
Mrs K Delafield (KD)	Mr B Carter (BC)
Mr P Jeffery (PJ)	Mr N Hallett (NH)
Roland Tarr -Dorset Councillor -	

Mrs M Harding (Clerk)

6 members of public

- 2020/01-1 Apologies: Welcome, housekeeping and to receive any apologies for absence-** all present
- 2020/01-2 To receive declarations of interest and grants of dispensation-** none
- 2020/01-3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 27th November 2019**
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| Proposed MU | Seconded BC | Resolved |
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2020/01-4 Matters arising from the minutes for info only

KD commented on the state of the benches in the village, many were looking tired and in need of attention, paint is flaking off. Following a discussion, it was agreed that KD and BC would take on the benches in the village, sand them down and do any minor repairs where required. If it is felt a bench requires replacement then this will be brought to the PC meeting.

- 2020/01-5** Speaker Chris Meadows from Hastoe to speak on a potential parcel of land in the village. Chris and his colleague Lucy addressed the meeting regarding a site that had previously been suggested by Stonewater in 2014 but did not reach the planning stage. Hastoe would like to know from the Council their feelings on such a site being developed as an exception site for affordable housing. The key elements of the development would be for a local connection using s106. The site previously suggested 16 properties which was then reduced to 12 then the proposal fell through, it is not known why, Clerk will contact Stonewater to see if there is any further information about this. The number of houses would need to be reviewed in line with local need in which case a new housing needs survey would need to be considered. The Clerk will contact the Housing enabling officer Paul Derrien for further advice. The site is at the West end of the village past Duke's Close. At the time of the previous interest the PC were supportive of the development to provide affordable homes for those who wished to stay living in the village but otherwise couldn't afford to. Chris explained that the development would be mixed with some shared ownership and rental. Concerns that would be raised today is the state of the sewers and the capacity for further homes. Also, the issue of ground water and river flooding. It was noted that there would need to be footpath access considered at that end of the village. KD spoke against the development on the grounds that there is not enough public transport, also if we keep adding these developments on where does the village want to stop. Chris was asked what the timescales would be for such a development. It was explained that initially architects would need to look at the site and a pre application submitted within the next 4 to 6 months but any building works if the planning was agreed would not be completed for 3 to 4 years. Chris did explain that if Hastoe decide to go forward with this then there would be a public consultation at the village hall so all the village have a view. Chris and Lucy were thanked for their time and would communicate with the Council with any updates in due course.

2020/01-6 Democratic forum 15 minutes –

A resident commented that there is no road sign on Bartlett’s close, it was explained that this has been reported, Clerk will follow up.

The state of the bridleway to the A35 was brought up, it was explained that the ranger has been to visit the site and they are looking at cutting back the hedges to create passing places, as the landowner can use this for their vehicles. It was noted that the bridleway surface itself is impassable.

A resident commented on the issues of the missing PC documents, it was reported that there had been some development and the Chair and Clerk are meeting with the Parish Office Trustees in the coming week to collect all documents pertaining to the Parish Council, it is not yet known what these documents are. The minutes will be scanned and stored electronically and filed with the History centre in due course.

A resident commented on the flood issue on Batts lane and that all the water is coming from the paddock where planning is to take place. Also, the resident asked why the flood water is not being diverted straight into the ditch.

2020/01-7 To consider all correspondence received for decision, consultation and information (see list)-Items for noting:

- a. Item 4- Strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments- Cllrs Tarr reported that there is a lack of capacity for the travellers and that they are no cost to the tax payer as they pay their own way. Cllr Tarr doesn’t feel that it should be about Police powers. It was agreed as there are differing views that the Councillors should make their own comments. This is also open to the public, comments are due by 19th February.
- b. Item 6- C53 Flooding, this was reported to highways and remedial works have been agreed within 28 days.
- c. Item 9- Following the resignation of a Parish Councillor and the notice of vacancy was displayed prior to Christmas, there was not a call from the electors for an election.
- d. Item- 10- National Grid impact provision event- Information was supplied on road closures and funding available to the local community.
- e. Item- 11- Community resilience Day for rapid response and flood wardens 4th February at Weymouth, later this was postponed
- f. Item 13- Allotment request- following the request for an allotment in the parish the PC investigated a site previously used for this purpose, contact had been made
- g. The Annual Parish meeting has been booked for Thursday 30th April at the Village Hall
- h. Dorset Council consultation on a Dog related Public Space Protection Order- consultation until 19th April, open to public comment
- i. Item 31- Sutton Poyntz NP decision statement- for information
- j. Item 33- The BT phone box is to stay in situ, it is hoped it will be tidied up and maintained, concerns were raised as there is an issue with only being able to make 999 calls.
- k. New DAPTC training courses for Cllrs and the Clerk are available

2020/01-8 Finance

i. To consider the finance report of payments and receipts for Dec/Jan:

Payee	Detail	Amount
M Harding	Salary/Expenses	277.70
HMRC	PAYE	63.20
DAPTC	Training	23.00
M Harding	Salary/Expenses	334.75
HMRC	PAYE	76.00
DAPTC	Bring your own Chair	55.00
DAPTC	Budget & Precepts	20.00

G Herbert	Website £9 per month in advance	108.00
Magna	Hall hire	30.00
Receipts		
Osborne	Garage and Parking rent	880.00
HMRC	Vat refund	233.47

All payments were made in line with internal controls

Bank balances as at 31st January 2020 £14145.47

Proposed PJ

Seconded KD

Resolved

2020/01-9 Planning Consultations-

a. To give consideration to Planning matters-

WD/D/19/002751- Martinstown Cricket Club, Lower Ashton Farm- Erect a single storey garage/store

No objections

WD/D/19/003006- Goldcombe Farm Cottages, Blagdon Hill- Erect 2 storey side extension

WD/D/19/003009-Purlands Farm, Bridport Rd, Martinstown- Erect single extension to southern elevation with balcony- PC have been informed this is not for consultation as it is a certificate of lawfulness there fore no comment required

b. To consider any other planning/enforcement or ongoing issues-None

2020/01-10 Highways, Countryside & ROW:

i. To update on progress with the issues of parking and litter outside the McDonald’s site (MU/KD)

Cllrs Tarr gave a report of the progress so far with the parking issues at McDonalds.

Costs have now been received for the works to the entrance of McDonald’s –

To construct two soil bunds @ 55m long x 2.5m wide and erect six number cast iron removable Manchester bollards as per your specification would be £ 8,012.00 only excluding vat. (this being the preferred option)

To construct two soil bunds @ 65m long x 2.5m wide as per your specification would be £ 6,953.00 only excluding vat.

These costs were revised to be in line with the bunds already in place installed by DC highways as the original costs were nearly double due to the height and width of the bunds proposed.

Cllr Tarr explained that there is no money in the DC budget for these works he explained that DC would not pay for works that benefit a business and that any costs would need to be carried by McDonalds. The PC were then asked to make contact with McDonalds and discuss this with them. The PC had already made contact with McDonalds to arrange a meeting and update them on progress.

The Council raised their concerns that the PC would be expected to the negotiate any deal, surely this should be carried out by DC. The PC then clarified that the Parish Council that this site is actually in are supportive of these works, the Clerk will email Farringdon Group Parish Council.

The PC then considered the plan and costs on the table and agreed to support them in principle as a project to benefit the parking issues.

Proposed MU

Seconded KD

Resolved

The Clerk will now arrange a meeting with McDonalds to discuss this further.

ii. **To consider the Flood Plan for the village-**

KD had produced a Flood Plan for the village, this was circulated to Cllrs for comment prior to the meeting, The Council approved the Flood plan

Proposed PJ

Seconded DR

Resolved

The clearing of the stream was then discussed and the costs of this are in the budget for the coming year, the costs may be higher as the clean was not carried out in 2019. The PC can clear the stream from April to October, the PC considered clearing the stream and agreed in principle to carry out these works in that period in 2020 in compliance with the DWT and EA standards using the contractor who has the licences to carry out these works.

Proposed MU

Seconded KD

Resolved

- iii. **To consider any other highways issues-** It was noted that the drains had still not been cleared neither has the road been swept following the recent rain and flood issues in the area of Batts Lane, this had been reported online and will be carried out on the 28 day notice as per DC highways works.

2020/01-11 To receive reports from:

- a. **The footpath Liaison Officers-** To note that due to the weather all RoW are very wet and muddy.
- b. **Waste watch representatives-** none.
- c. **Village Hall representatives-** none.
- d. **Winterbourne Community Fund (was the Blanchard Trust)-** none
- e. **PCSO matters-** PCSO Sarah Pilcher attended the meeting and reported on the last 3 months, reports of suspicious vehicles, items stolen from cars when parked at local beauty spots, a car fire, the issue of the damage to the bus stop was dealt with, no further defecation in the bus shelter reported since installation of lights, travellers at the Hardys monument Car Park are to be moved on shortly, now that all the official paperwork is in place. Unfortunately, there are no traveller sites available to move the travellers to. It was noted that works to the entrance will be carried out to stop camper vans from entering the car park.

f. Speed Indicator Device report-

Dec 2019-Total number of speed readings taken = 122,131

Average Recorded Speed = 33mph

>30mph = 34,271

>40mph = 1,400

>50mph = 40

>60mph = 2

Top recorded speeds:

65 mph (29/11/2019 7:07 AM)

60 mph (6/12/2019 9:01PM)

58 mph (29/12/2019 10:14 PM)

56 mph (11/12/2019 1:10 AM)

56 mph (16/12/2019 7:29 AM)

Jan 2020-Total number of speed readings taken = 67,857

Average Recorded Speed = 33mph

>30mph = 19,910

>40mph = 773

>50mph = 35

CLLr Debbie Wiltshire (*Chairman*) _____

Date: 29th January 2020