

CHIDEOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Chideock on Tuesday 27 January 2015 at 10:00 am.

Present: Cllrs Elizabeth Grant (Chair), Roger Carey, Kate Geraghty and Rob Murray.

In attendance: The Clerk and 1 member of the public.

The Parish Council meeting commenced at **10:04 am**.

1564 Apologies.

Cllr Turner, DCC, and Cllr Summers, WDDC, sent their apologies.

1565 Grant of Dispensations.

NOTED that all councillors have a grant of Dispensation, running until the elections in May 2015, to enable them to resolve Agenda Item 9 e) Budget and Precept for 2015-16.

1566 Declarations of Defined Pecuniary Interests.

All Councillors declared a Defined Pecuniary Interest in Land or Property in the Parish, in connection with Agenda Item 9 e) Budget and Precept for 2015-16, for which dispensations had been granted as documented above.

1567 Minutes.

- a) **RESOLVED** to accept and sign, as a true record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 25 November 2015.
Proposed by Cllr Grant, seconded by Cllr Murray, carried unanimously.

1568 County and District Councillors' and Police Reports.

None

Standing Orders were suspended for the following item.

1569 Democratic Period. No-one wished to speak.

Standing Orders were resumed.

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1570 Reports / Updates by the Clerk and Councillors.

Items 1 to 22 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**, with the exception of those detailed below, which were discussed in more detail.

- a) **Items 2 – 7 – A35 HGVs and Air Quality / HGV Enforcement.** **AGREED** that Cllr Murray draft a letter to Oliver Letwin in response to the various replies he has received.
- b) **Item 9 & 10 – Chideock Castle.** **AGREED** to write to Adam Butcher in support of his suggestion of interpretive signage for the circular walk, to accept his offer of applying for funding on behalf of the Parish Council and to suggest that he contacts Antony Broad, local historian. **CC**
- c) **Item 12 - DAPTC Annual Conference.** No-one is able to attend but concerns were raised regarding the involvement of the Local Enterprise Partnership with the Dorset AONB Steering Group, when Local Area Partnerships (e.g. BLAP) are not included. **AGREED** to write to the AONB team about this, in the light of the recently published Dorset AONB 5 year Management Plan. **KG**
- d) **Item 12A - Dorset AONB Annual Forum.** No-one is able to attend.
- e) **Item 15 - Fingerpost Seahill Lane / Pettycrate Lane.** **AGREED** that this should be deferred until the other signage issues at this junction are resolved. Clerk to chase this with DCC. **CC**
- f) **Item 18B – Mill Lane fingerpost at Seatown.** A concern was raised that it is not easy to read the writing in the sign due to the height of the fingerpost. **AGREED** that this be raised as part of the Rights of Way inspection with the DCC Coastal Ranger in March. Cllr Grant reported that **CC**

she has visited all southern Rights of Way and found no major problems and will visit the northern ones before the next meeting. **EG**

- g) Item 22 - Shooting on Chideock Manor Land. AGREED** to write to the police asking what procedures should be followed by the organiser in terms of informing the police when a shoot has been arranged, or by an individual who intends to shoot, as there have been complaints from residents and to ask what the law is in regards to shooting near / across Rights of Way / highways. Further **AGREED** to inform Mrs Crisp of the action taken and to suggest that she contact the land owners herself. **CC**

Bridport Area Local Plan. The Clerk said that she is the minutes secretary for the Steering Group and gave a brief summary of progress so far. Councillors asked if they could have copies of the minutes – the Clerk will check that this is permissible. **CC**

1571 Planning Matters.

a) Applications.

WD/D/14/003082 5 BROADMEAD, MAIN STREET Porch to front elevation, render and paint whole house (Full)

Chideock Parish Council has no objection.

b) To consider any applications received after the agenda was circulated.

WD/D/14/003286 THE MILL HOUSE, MILL LANE Erect 16/No Photo Voltaic panels on a ground mounted system to the Northern Garden (Full)

and

WD/D/14/003287 THE MILL HOUSE, MILL LANE Erect 16/No Photo Voltaic panels on a ground mounted system to the Northern Garden (Listed Building Consent)

Chideock Parish Council has no objection provided that, if the application is approved, there is a condition requiring that screening is maintained to at least the current height and density.

c) Determinations.

WD/D/14/002521 ORCHARD END, BRIGHTHAY LANE, NORTH CHIDEOCK Proposed Front & Rear Extension (Full) **APPROVED.**

d) Ridwood Affordable Housing Development.

Item 23 on the Actions & Information List was **NOTED.**

AGREED to write to WDDC expressing concerns that not everyone who has a local connection has re-registered on the Housing List after the criteria change because it was not made clear that a local connection is the major criteria for the Ridwood housing and so there may be a shortfall of applicants with a local connection. **CC**

e) Any Other Planning Matters.

i. **AONB / Lighting & Dark Skies.** No update.

ii. **Enforcement.** Items 24 - 27 on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED.**

AGREED that the Enforcement Officer be informed of CPCs agreement with the complaints regarding the quantity of advertisement signage at the Village Shop. **CC**

iii. **Golden Cap Caravan Park.** No update.

iv. **Mill Lane Bridleway 18.** Item 28 on the Actions and Information List was **NOTED.**

AGREED that CPC should not take any action.

v. **Seatown.** Items 29 – 31D on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED. AGREED** to write to Cllr Summers to clarify some of the points in her notes of the meeting of 16 January 2015 and to stress that, while short terms measures are necessary, the development of a long term management plan is essential. **KG/EG/CC**

1572 Finances.

Items 32 – 32A on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED.**

a) Payments.

RESOLVED to make the following payments:-

Clerk's Salary & Expenses for January + December expenses	£230.72
Chideock Village Hall Hire – December & January	£37.50
PNW Services – Bus Shelter Cleaning Oct, Nov & Dec	£20.00
Fenland Leisure Products Ltd (swing chains etc)	£105.84

Proposed by Cllr Murray, seconded by Cllr Carey, carried unanimously.

b) Foss Orchard Car Park.

Items 33 - 34 on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED.**

AGREED that Cllr Murray be authorised to purchase 3 posts and 3 Metaposts for the replacement “shop parking” signs. **RM**

AGREED that C N Richards be asked to strim the grass 5 times in 2015. **NOTED** that it was only done 3 times in 2014 rather than the agreed 4 times. **CC**

Clerk to ask Connect for progress on the “toilet” signs they are providing. **CC**

Clerk to ask the Police what words can be used on posters to deter people from urinating in the car park. **CC**

NOTED that some kerb stones on the shop side of Foss Orchard are loose – this has been reported to DCC Highways.

c) Accounts to 31 December 2014.

NOTED. The Clerk will provide the next meeting with a comparison between the money collected by WDDC and remitted to CPC from November 2012 to October 2013 and the money collected by CPC from November 2013 to October 2014. **CC**

d) Budget Monitoring to 31 December 2014.

NOTED. An under-spend is anticipated at Financial Year End.

e) Budget and Precept for 2015 – 2016.

The Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities, issued December 2014, was **NOTED. AGREED** that though the requirement for external audit will be removed when this is approved by Parliament, it would be prudent to leave £120 for external audit in the Budget.

RESOLVED, as per the recommendation made at the Parish Council meeting of 25 November 2014,

- To set the Budget for 2015 - 2016 at £9,005.00, a decrease of 748.84 / 7.68% on the Budget for 2014 - 2015
- To set the Precept for 2015 – 2016 at £ 8602.00, an increase of £206 / 2.45% on the Precept for 2014 – 2015.

Proposed by Cllr Murray, seconded by Cllr Carey, carried unanimously.

f) Update of Standing Orders.

RESOLVED to adopt the revised Standing Orders, which are based on the NALC Model issued in October 2013.

Proposed by Cllr Grant, seconded by Cllr Murray, carried unanimously.

1573 Clapps Mead Playing Field.

a) Swing Repairs. Cllr Grant said that the new seat, chains and shackles were delivered before Christmas and had been given to Mr Lee Martin for installation. Cllr Grant to check on progress. **EG**

b) Play Area Fence. The Clerk said that she has not yet purchased the slats for the play area fence. **CC**

1574 Flood Management Plan for the Winniford Valley.

Cllr Carey reported that Dave Maunder (Dorset Highways) has said that:-

a) The outstanding jetting of Seahill Lane gullies will be carried out as soon as possible. Dave Maunder has been informed that ALL gullies need to be jetted at the same time.

b) The spring at the western side of the repaired culvert will be looked at – this should have been done as part of the culvert repairs

c) The issue with the “step” in the tarmac surface after the culvert repairs needs to be looked at by the Major Works Division – he will report the issue to them

d) The pot holes in Seahill Lane will be filled

NOTED that the visibility splay at the southern corner of the Ridwood junction with Seahill Lane has now been curbed.

NOTED that the some of the hedge along Seahill Lane was cut on Saturday night (24 January) leaving debris on the road which will block the drains. It is necessary to find out who carried out the work so as to inform them that they need to remove all debris when the hedges are cut.

NOTED that there are continuing issues with water from the field to the north of Seahill Cottages flooding the road. It is necessary to identify the owner before CPC / DCC can request that a ditch to be constructed to stop this happening.

1575 Current Consultations.

a) Draft Dorset Homelessness Strategy, by 11 January 2015. **NOTED** that the response was submitted on time. **AGREED** that copies be sent to Cllr Summers, Cllr Terry Farmer (WDDC), Cllr Robert Gould (WDDC), Clive Milone (WDDC Head of Housing), Kate Ryan (WDDC Director of Communities) and BLAP. **CC**

b) Changes to Dorset HRCs, Dorset Waste Partnership. **NOTED** that this appears to be designed for individual comment. **All**

c) Police Precept 2015/6 Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner. **NOTED** that this appears to be designed for individual comment. **All**

1576 Motions Received with Notice. None.

1577 Parish Council Elections May 2015 - how to encourage residents to stand for election as councillors.

The flier was distributed at the Village Carol Service and is available at the Village Shop, the George and the Clock House. **AGREED** that the information supplied by DAPTC be displayed on the Parish Council notice board and copies placed in the George and the Clock House. **CC**

The flier information was published in the February edition of the Chideock News and will be placed in the March and April editions.

The open meeting for prospective Town and Parish Councillors, organised by DAPTC at Mountfield between 7pm and 8pm on Wednesday 18th March 2015, will be advertised on notice boards and the March Chideock News. **CC**

1578 Correspondence.

There were no other items of correspondence to be brought to Councillors' notice.

1579 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of Chideock Parish Council.

The next scheduled meeting of Chideock Parish Council will be on Tuesday 24 February 2015 at 10:30 am.

1580 Confirm the time and date of the March 2015 Parish Council meeting.

This will be held at the scheduled date and time, i.e. 10.00 am on 31 March 2015, but will be in the Committee Room as the Hall has been booked for the Village Hot Cross Bun morning.

1581 Determine the dates of the Annual Village Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

- a) **AGREED** that the **Annual Village Meeting** (which has, by law, to be held between 1 March and 1 June, both dates inclusive, and must take place no earlier than 6pm) be held on Tuesday 12 May at 7:30 pm. The Chideock Society will be asked to provide refreshments from 7:15 pm.
- b) In an election year, the **Annual Meeting** of the Parish Council has, by law, to take place between the 4th and the 18th days after the election, i.e. between 11 May and 25 May. The normal Parish Council meeting day is 26 May. **AGREED** that the **Annual Parish Council Meeting** and the **May Parish Council Meeting** be held as one meeting at 10:00am on Tuesday 19 May 2015.

The meeting closed at **12:30 pm.**