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CERNE VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 12th May 2022

Held in Godmanstone Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm

Councillors present:

J. Crouch, F. Horsington, J. Bolt, M. Keating, C. Paul, L. Prowse, and H. Brown

Also present:

12 members of the public

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr's Beresford, Crosbie, and Bishop sent apologies.

2. Declarations of pecuniary and other interests

Cllr Brown declared an interest in item 11.

Cllr Horsington (retrospectively) declared an interest in any matters to do with the allotments field.

3. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th March 2022

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

To approve the minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 21st April 2022

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21st April 2022

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising from previous meeting

It was confirmed that a new bin had been installed in the Folly.

It was confirmed that electric banking with Unity Trust Bank was up and running.

5. Update from the Chair

The Chair confirmed that a 'mock up' wind turbine had been installed at Whatcombe Farm.

The application was at the pre application stage and so more comment could be made at this stage.

The Chair also thanked Liz Exton for her time on the Parish Council. Liz has stepped down from her role.

6. Public Discussion Period

There were no matters other than those on the agenda.

7. To receive a report from the Dorset Council

The report had been received and distributed.

The Chair summarised the report, although there were no matters specific to the Cerne Valley.

8. To receive committee reports and to agree action(s) in response to proposals and repairs a. Allotments

Cllr Keating confirmed the skip had arrived and gone.

The new strimmer had been well received and well used.

The wildflower area was growing.

b. Burial Ground

The Clerk confirmed the gates had now been painted and repointed.
The new path installed.
That there had been two interments.

c. Car Park

Cllr Prowse was happy to say the EA had finished in the Car Park.
The fencing had been replaced and the surfacing reinstated.
The triangle had been topped up grassed.
It was noted by the Car Park committee that the two posts leading to the picnic area had not been replaced. The EA had been notified.
Other matters were on the agenda.

d. Children's Play Park

Cllr Keating confirmed that the front gate had been resurfaced along with the springers.

e. Footpaths and Environment

Cllr Bolt mentioned the broken waste bin had been reported.
It was also confirmed that the stiles had been checked. More under agenda item 17.

f. Planning (JC)

i. P/HOU/2022/01058

31 Long Street Cerne Abbas Dorchester DT2 7JG

Demolish garages, erect fence, greenhouse and create parking space. Render part rear elevation. Replace sunroom roof and doors

The Parish Council supported this application but noted the application said so said demolition of ancillary out building of which the garages clearly are.

ii. P/FUL/2022/02607

Cerne Abbas Church Of England First School Duck Street Cerne Abbas Dorset DT2 7LA
Erect building for use as Learning Resource Centre

The Parish Council supported this application.

10. Financial update and payments for authorisation (WL)

a. Payments for authorisation

There were **20 payments (PV 1-19)** totalling **£ 5498.07** that were approved and authorised for payment.

b. Insurance mandate and premium.

This was approved.

11. Application for grant by Godmanstone Village Hall for solar panels

GVH had installed solar panels. Part of the amount had been granted by Low Carbon Dorset which left £ 4386.00 to find. It was requested that half of this was met by a grant from CIL funds.

It was also confirmed that the VH was outside of the conservation area curtilage.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to a grant of £ 2194.00, the funds to be met via CIL.
The Clerk request an invoice be sent for future payment.

12. Refurbishment of the bus stop on the Folly

At the last Full Council, it was tasked with obtaining an estimate for the works as detailed. However, as part of that project – asbestos was identified and confirmed by an inspection. Cllr Prowse requested as to what to do next.

It was agreed that the asbestos needed to be removed as a matter of urgency.

The Clerk would contact the specialist company.

On completion of this, 3 quotes should be obtained for the roof repairs, new windows and internal refurbishments, with a view to bringing this to the June meeting.

13. Queens Platinum Jubilee update

a. Funding for Cerne Abbas Street party on 05th June 2022

A grant sum of £ 600.00 was allocated to the Jubilee celebrations Working Group from the Jubilee fund reserve to assist with incidental expenditure for the day.

b. Tree(s) for the Jubilee

Cllr Prowse agreed that the vision of 7 trees in the allotment field was a great idea but in reality, not practical.

Instead, an area in the Car Park had been identified by the committee where an English Oak could be planted.

Members agreed this an excellent idea and encouraged the car park committee to pursue this further.

c. Plaque for the Jubilee

It was recommended that the Royal British Legion Institute plaque (as part of the Queen's Green Canopy) should be purchased.

Members unanimously agreed to this.

£ 400 was set aside from the Jubilee fund reserve for this project, which also includes a suitable tree guard.

14. Funding for the children's adventure trail at the picnic area

The Car Park committee requested £ 3500.00 from CIL monies in order to fund this project. This includes cost and equipment and delivery.

This was unanimously approved.

The Car Park committee also requested £ 1000.00 from Car Park reserves to pay for installation.

This was unanimously approved.

15. Cerne Abbas Water Meadows closure to the public

The Parish Council took representation of many members of the public as to the closure. This included the history of the meadows.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the board of the company and ask why this had occurred, and what had happened to prompt this action.

16. Cerne Valley documentary film

It was well received, and members asked the Clerk to contact the proposer for further details.

17. Matters arising from the Village Meeting

From questions and proposals from the Village Meetings the following was agreed:

Added to task tracker:

Bench on Goose Green – assessment
Water fountain at Car Park – feasibility
Additional signage to public toilets – locations and cost

Rejected:

Electric points at Goose Green
Alternative location for food vendors
Fixing of stiles – these had been assessed and deemed in reasonable condition
QR codes on noticeboards – for the future
Addition communication with Parishioners – it was felt that Parish Mag, FB, website, and noticeboards were more than adequate.

18. Update from the task tracker

Added to the task tracker – see agenda item 17.
The Village Gateway would be reviewed in 2023.
The defibrillator would be reviewed in September 2022.

19. Increase in mailbox size

Members agreed to the mailbox size increase to 5KB at an annual cost of £39.00

20. Disposal of assets

The following items were removed from the asset register:

Car Park Closed Signs x 3	Kettlebridge	154
Car Park Closed Signs x 2	Kettlebridge	106.5
Traffic cones x 10	Kettlebridge	50
Fencing and posts	Burial Ground	51

21. Appropriation of Highway land by a householder in Church Lane Godmanstone

Members were reminded that this matter was still on going and being dealt with by Dorset Council. Ownership of the land was being established.

22. Items for the next meeting

Must be forwarded to the Clerk by 02nd June 2022.

23. Date(s) of next meeting(s)

F&E Committee 09th June 2022
Cerne Abbas Village Hall @ 6.00pm
Full Council 09th June 2022
Cerne Abbas Village Hall @ 7.00pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2103 hours