

CHIDEOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Chideock on Tuesday 28 April 2015 at 10:00 am.

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

In attendance: The Clerk and 6 members of the public.

The Parish Council meeting commenced at **10:03 am**.

1614 Apologies.

Cllr Geraghty sent her apologies which were accepted.
Cllr Turner, DCC, and Cllr Summers, WDDC, sent their apologies. PCSO Ash is on Annual Leave.

1615 Grant of Dispensations.

None.

1616 Declarations of Defined Pecuniary Interests.

None declared

1617 Minutes.

- a) **RESOLVED** to accept and sign, as a true record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 31 March 2015.
Proposed by Cllr Grant, seconded by Cllr Carey, carried unanimously.

1618 County and District Councillors' and Police Reports. There were no reports.

Standing Orders were suspended for the following item.

1619 Democratic Period.

A member of the public thanked the Parish Council for all the work put into the Bridleway 18 issue and asked for reassurance that this would continue. Councillors said that the item would always be on the agenda and that they would continue to work on the matter.

A member of the public said that it appears that a "No Through Road" sign on the left hand side of Mill Lane at the Duck Street end appears to have been removed. The Clerk said she would query this with DCC Highways. **CC**

A member of the public asked what could be done about the advertising banners which have been put up along the lower (Seatown) portion of Mill Lane by West Dorset Leisure Holidays. The Clerk said that this has been reported to WDDC Planning after complaints were received at the previous Parish Council meeting, and that it is being investigated by an Enforcement Officer to ascertain whether Advertisement Consent is required.

Standing Orders were resumed.

1620 Reports / Updates by the Clerk and Councillors.

Items 0A to 8 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**, with the exception of those detailed below, which were discussed in more detail.

- a) **Item 5 - Mill Lane / Duck Street Walkers sign. AGREED** to leave this until it was clarified as to whether the post should have a "No Through Road" sign on it, as reported in the Democratic Period. **CC**
- b) **Item 8 – Site Visit by Rights of Way Officer. AGREED** the report be sent to Adam Butcher. **CC**

1621 A35 Matters.

Items 9 to 21 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**, with the exception of those detailed below, which were discussed in more detail.

- a) **Item 10 – A35 Air Quality. NOTED** that it is disappointing that the Air Quality figures are no longer routinely sent to the Clerk. The Clerk said she would ask if this can be done. CC
- b) **Item 11 - A35 - Low water pressure on Main Street.** It was reported that during the recent fire at the Clock House the rest of the village was without water whilst the fire appliances were operating and that water pressure varies on a day to day basis. **AGREED** that the Clerk will follow up the original query and make these additional points. CC
- c) **Item 12 - A35 - Noisy BT cover.** A member of the public who had been affected by this confirmed that the repair appeared to have alleviated the problem.
- d) **Items 13 and 14 - A35 - Noise / vibration from loose inspection covers.** The Clerk reported that she had had a telephone conversation with Andy Chick who had said that moving utility services and covers would cost too much but that a list of utility company phone numbers would be sent to the Clerk. **AGREED** that this list would be circulated to all councillors and that the Clerk should ask for maps showing the location of utility services and covers along both the A35 and the roads maintained by Dorset Highways. CC
- e) **Items 17 and 18 - A35 roadwork.** A member of the public said that houses on Main Street had received a letter about these works and that they would give a copy to the Clerk. The Clerk said that she would place a notice on the Parish Council notice board and ask for the information to be put on the Chideock and Seatown Community website. CC
- f) **Item 20A – Bilberry Close Induction Loop. AGREED** that the Clerk finds out who at DCC highways is responsible for this. **AGREED** that the information about the speed cameras be put in the June Chideock News. CC

1622 Planning Matters.

- a) **Applications.**
None.
- b) **To consider any applications received after the agenda was circulated.**
None.
- c) **Determinations.**
WD/D/15/000086 SCOMBER STEPS, RIDWOOD Extensions and alterations. New boundary wall. (Full) **APPROVED**
- d) **Ridwood Affordable Housing Development.**
Items 22 - 24 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**.
 - a) **Item 24 – Ridwood Development – Lighting. AGREED** that councillors should visit the site to see how many lights there are and where they are located before contacting Magna to query why there are so many street lights and asking if they can be changed to be on shorter poles and to be of lower wattage.
- e) **Any Other Planning Matters.**
 - i. **AONB / Lighting & Dark Skies.** Items 25 - 27 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**.
 - I. **Item 25 - Dorset AONB Partnership Board. AGREED** that the Clerk follows up the request made to Hilary Jordan re contacts.
 - ii. **Enforcement.**
Items 28 – 32B on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**.
 - iii. **Golden Cap Caravan Park.**
Nothing to report.
 - iv. **Mill Lane Bridleway 18.** Items 33 - 35 on the Actions & Information List were **NOTED**.
 - I. **Item 34 – Response from Mike Harries. AGREED** that the Clerk will find out what the Bridleway Amendment process is. CC
 - II. **AGREED** that the draft e-mail be sent to Jane Cheeseman.
 - v. **Seatown.** Items 26 - 40 on the Actions and Information List were noted. CC
 - I. **Item 36 – Sea Hill Lane – hedges at Seatown end. AGREED** that Mr Cox's query be passed to DCC highways. CC
 - II. **Item 39 - Missing litter bin at Seatown. AGREED** that the Clerk follow this up with Dorset Waste Partnership. CC
 - III. **Item 40 - Open BT cover in Sea Hill Lane by Seatown Cottage and opposite Glenacres.** Clerk to check that this has been reported to BT and if not then to report it. CC
 - vi. **Other.** None.

1623 Finances.

Item 41 on the Actions and Information List was **NOTED**.

- a) **Payments.**
RESOLVED to make the following payments:-
 - i. Clerk's Salary & Expenses for April £278.22
 - ii. Chideock Village Hall Hire – April £25.00
 - iii. Mr Wigglesworth for Internal Audit £60.00

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

b) Foss Orchard Car Park.

Items 42 - 43 on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED**.

AGREED that a location for the "toilet" sign needs to be agreed and that the Clerk will query why there only 1 sign has been provided when 2 were originally promised. **CC**

c) Year End Accounts.

RESOLVED to accept the Annual Accounts for 2014-2015.

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

d) Internal Audit & Annual Return (External Audit).

Item 44 - 46 on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED**.

RESOLVED to accept the Internal Auditor's Report.

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

RESOLVED to accept and sign the statutory Annual Return for 2014-15, pages 2 and 3, with Page 3 answers of Y for Q 1 – 8 and N/A for Q9.

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

e) Responsible Financial Officer.

RESOLVED to re-appoint the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

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

Cllr Summers came to say goodbye as she is not standing as West Dorset Ward councillor.

1624 Clapps Mead Playing Field.

Item 46A on the Actions and Information List was **NOTED**.

1625 Flood Management Plan for the Winniford Valley.

Items 47 – 51A on the Actions and Information List were **NOTED**.

AGREED that the Clerk will once again chase DCC Highways in regards to the signage at the Pettycrate Lane / Sea Hill Lane junction. **CC**

1626 Current Consultations.

None

1627 Motions Received with Notice.

None.

1628 Parish Council Elections May.

The Clerk reported that there have been seven nominations for the seven seats on the Parish Council and that there will therefore be no election.

The Clerk will ensure that all councillors receive Acceptance of Office and Declaration of Pecuniary Interest forms prior to the Annual Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 19 May 2015. **CC**

1629 Correspondence.

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

1630 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 19 May. This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

The Annual Village Meeting is on Tuesday 12 ay, 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm. Cllr Geraghty will contact all Village Groups. The Chideock Society will provide refreshments as in previous years.

The meeting closed at **12:02 pm**.