

STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Studland Parish Council held on Monday 19 December 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Studland.

Present:

Chairman: P. Bowyer

Cllrs: Parsons, Boulter, Pilgrim, Ferguson, Smith, Hammond, Dyball, Etherington

Clerk: Parish

NT: E. Wright

DCllr: Dragon

Public: A. Churchill

Start 7.35pm

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1. **Apologies** - CCllr Mike Lovell.
2. **Declarations of Interest** - Cllr Ferguson declared an interest in agenda item 11. The Clerk then made a brief statement from the SPC Standing Orders to the council regarding procedure relating to dispensations/ declarations of interests and what a councillor should consider when making the decision to speak or not, with or without a dispensation. Having questioned why item 10 was on the agenda, the Vice Chair then said that she felt bound to agree with the advice that the clerk received from Ian Carter (PDC Licensing Officer) in support of putting the item on the agenda as being a 'missed opportunity for residents' if it were not on the agenda (for reasons of transparency and on the grounds of informing the public of the application). It was clarified that any objections to or support for the licensing application were to be directed to the Licensing Dept of PDC and it was further clarified that the Parish Council is not a statutory consultee for licensing applications. All members declared an interest in agenda item 10; the Chairman as a nearby neighbour to the Social Club and the remaining members are all members of the Social Club; some are also Committee members.
3. **Public Participation Time** - Andrew Churchill, the Chairman of the Studland Social Club said his concerns about item 10 being on the agenda were largely answered (under item 2). He said that he was not happy for there to be anonymous complaints as these could be fictitious. He reiterated that any residents objecting to or in support of the licence application need to direct their complaints to the Licensing Dept of PDC.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes:**
 - 4.1 - The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 November 2016 were signed as a correct record with the following amendments: apologies for absence from DCllr Dragon. In addition, Cllr Dyball commented further to the minutes that the Village Hall Management Committee has decided to refuse the hire of the village hall to the Wiggle event in future (item 6). Questioned what the special planning document referred to in the minutes of 19 November 2016 was. The Chairman clarified that this was a document that could give special planning conditions, to be considered in matters of planning (for example, heights of buildings). This is unlikely to develop further until June 2017 due to the extra workload of PDC planners on the review of the Local Plan.
 - 4.2 - The minutes of SPC Extraordinary Meeting re: Middle Beach held on 8 October 2016 were not presented and so are carried forward to the January 2017 meeting. Clerk to review the Finance Committee Meeting minutes of 7 November 2016.
5. **National Trust Report:**
 - 5.1 - Matters arising from the National Trust Report due to be circulated on Saturday 17th December 2016.
 - Scrub work by contractors will be completed by Christmas.
 - Tree surveys are complete - there will be submissions for work to PDC in the New Year.

- Crime - thieves have been active on the Ferry Rd (a car window was smashed) and a flat packed shed was taken.
- Wood pile at Manor Farm is in operation - pls keep an eye that it is being taken by those entitled - please remember, those collecting wood are not to cut wood in the yard.
- Middle Beach - large amount of sand moved from pilots point end of beach to middle beach.
- Scaffolding by gabions and more signage.
- Planning permission has been granted for sea school temporary buildings.
- Planning permission for the moving of beach huts has been resubmitted.
- Christmas opening hours: closed on Xmas day Knoll Beach Cafe.

6. District and County Councillor Reports (covered by DCllr Dragon in CCllr Lovell's absence:

- PDC are busy with review of the Local Plan.
- PDC are discussing the Local Government Reorganisation issue on 11 January 2017. Christchurch have already opted for option 1.
- PDC will always be in budget and Purbeck can stand alone.
- The issue is what happens if one or two councils go for no change? The Clerk confirmed that SPC response was received as the SPC responses have been printed in the report.
- DCllr Dragon was informed at the recent PDC meeting that 20% of the work force for the Waste Partnership were made up of administrators and management, which he commented to be a rather high proportion.
- Boundary changes are taking place.
- CCllr Lovell has been deselected and CCllr Cherry Brooks will be the Conservative candidate covering 11 parishes.
- The consultation paper has been criticised for steering towards one answer. Bournemouth are pushing for this thinks DCllr Dragon.
- Purbeck has a recently been reported as being the 7th most desirable place to live in the UK.
- Reported on changes to the New Homes bonus.

7. "Welcome to the Isle of Purbeck Signage" To consider the proposed location and look. SPC took view previously that they couldn't afford to support this. **AGREED** to offer to make a small contribution in order to include a STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL logo on the proposed sign at the Ferry (4 in favour and 2 against and 2 abstained). **ACTION Clerk**
Design the STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL logo to go on future agenda. **ACTION Clerk**

8. NHS Dorset CCG Consultation. To consider the Parish Council response to the proposals for acute hospital reconfiguration and integrated community service models. **Recommend** all do own individual response and do one from SPC and encourage as many residents as possible to. SPC to agree its response at the January 2017 meeting.

9. The Future of the BT Telephone Box opposite Beach Road, Studland. SPC considered its future use. No definite plans were agreed. It was suggested it could be relocated, off the main road. Further info re: use as a wifi hub is being investigated by Cllr Boulter. **Recommend** putting a note in the Parish News for ideas from the community about how it could be used in the future.

10. Studland Social Club proposed application for a premises licence. SPC decided to not discuss this agenda item due to Declared Interests by all Councillors. DCllr Dragon reiterated the importance of it being an agenda item so that the public could be better informed.

11. Planning. Cllr Ferguson left the meeting.

11.1 Planning Applications - 6/2016/0696 - Wardley, Ferry Road, Studland - No comments.

11.2 Tree Applications - TWA/2016/208 - Beach Road (Willow Cottage) - agreed not to comment at previous meeting.

11.3 Other Planning Related Matters. SPC **agreed** to put in request for planning dpt to explain special planning documents and difference between what is approved and what is built.

12. Crime. Note that NT have reported criminal activity in area.

13. Highways. Nothing to report.

14. Chairman's Announcements:

- **Lighting of Christmas tree;** thank you to those who played a part in arranging this and there is a bill for the soup and bread.

15. Clerk's Items and Correspondence:

- **The April 2017 Parish Council meeting planned to be at Brownsea is Easter Monday and a public holiday, so needs to be rearranged. AGREED** for Clerk to change date of meeting to 24 April 2017 and for an hour. Clerk to liaise with NT and John Lewis.

- **Suggest Planning Meeting on 9 January 2017 as 2 January 2017 is a Bank Holiday - AGREED.**

16. Reports from Committees and Working Groups:

16.1 Middle Beach Update from SPC NT Liaison Committee - No Update.

16.2 Middle Beach Update from MBAG - No Update.

17. Reports from Representatives.

- The Affordable Housing Forum group next meeting planned for March 2017.
- There was a meeting of the South East Parishes. The group has no formal standing but meets to discuss the potential for working together post re-organisation.
- Purbeck Area DAPTC meeting at Harman's Cross.
- The South East Parishes met with NT and some parishes were concerned about access and proposed SANGs for example.

18. Financial Reports:

**18.1 ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 30 November 2016; BANK ACCOUNT £26,636.23
SAVINGS ACCOUNT £1,763.74.**

18.2 Resolve to agree to pay the clerk's salary and to make the following payments:

in compliance with approved budget.

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R. Best (Gardner)	75.00
Christmas Tree (M. Etherington)	125.00
Salt Bags (Dorset County Council)	138.60
Supply of Electricity for Public Conveniences (NPower)	146.34
Clearview Cleaning (D.F. Wills)	221.27
TOTAL	

18.3 Other Financial Business:

Thank you to Cllr Hammond for info sent out. Propose now and fully consider this on 9 Jan. AGREED - Precept Setting and Budget planning for 2017/18. Remind at last finance committee meeting we would run a number of scenarios. For example the Environmental works. It is uncertain if caps on Parish Council Precept increases will be implemented in due course. Bigger picture we have ring-fenced 2 reserves; election expenses reserve and parish plan implementation reserve. Calculated the reserve as a % of the precept. So under the low scenario of 20% we don't carry forward the reserves. Cllr Hammond stresses the sense of acting now; if we don't act now, it will be too late should caps come in. Analysis 378 is no. of electors. Precept per elector per year... Even with a high 60% increase, it doesn't increase much.

Major areas to consider:

- schedule of hours Clerk needs to work next year as x 2.
- Parish plan implementation costs - identify key objectives.
- Environmental Works - as a result of presentation of Highways - £1000 - need to consider this.
- Public toilets - real costs are going to be higher this year... 2nd highest budget item - put in Parish News again - can we shut them down?
- Test water with increase of precept - also put a high plus to increase... with high percentage money... the highest increase would be no more than £20 per head?
- Way forward to discuss this on 9th January 2017 to recommend to full council.

19. Date of Next Meeting:

SPC Meeting - Monday 16th January 2017, commencing at 7.30pm

Planning Meeting - falls on a bank holiday Monday 2nd January 2017, commencing at 7.30pm

AGREED to meet 9 Jan 2017 for Planning Committee and Finance Committee to discuss budget and precept setting.

Josephine Parish - Parish Clerk
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