# Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council

# Minutes of AGM in Poyntington Village Hall, Thursday 5th May 2022 at 7.30 pm.

The following were present: Councillors Mason, Dimond, Hunt, RoWLO Hart, 4 members of the public and the Clerk

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| 22.01  22.02  22.03 | Apologies for absence: Cllrs Buckland, Kellaway, Perryman, Simnett and DC Cllr Legg  Election of Chairman: Cllr John Mason was unanimously elected Chairman  Election of Vice Chairman: Cllr Peter Hunt was unanimously elected Vice Chairman |
| 22.04 | There were no **declarations of interest.** |
| 22.05 | The minutes of the meeting held 3rd March 2022 were confirmed and signed. |
| 22.06 | **Adjournment Session**  Some Poyntington residents expressed concerns about the new development at Townsend Farm. The council agreed to report these concerns to Dorset Council. |
| 22.07  22.08  22.09  22.10  22.11  22.12  22.13 | The financial report for the year 2022-23 to date was received and accepted. Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary: £288.82; HMRC (PAYE): £72.00, Oborne Play Field Association £700, Poyntington Village Hall £730 (£700 for play area maintenance, £30 hall hires. To be paid when a new Village Hall Treasurer has been appointed.) Community First Insurance £362.68.  The Risk Assessment and list of assetswere reviewed and approved.  Internal Audit The internal audit was received and noted, following completion by Mr Nigel Masters for which the Council was appreciative.  The Annual Governance Statement was considered, approved and signed.  The Statement of Accounts for 2021-22 was considered, approved and signed.  Audit exemption. The council is not required to have an external audit, and an exemption certificate was considered, approved and signed  Insurance PolicyThe council accepted a quotation from Community First Insurance for a 3 year long term agreement. It was noted that the new price is lower than last year. **Planning Matters** |
| 22.14.1  22.14.2  22.14.3 | **Planning matters dealt with since the last meeting or at this** **meeting:** **Wheatsheaf Farm, Corton Denham, (Poyntington),** P/HOU/2022/023051 Erection of two storey rear extension and construction of pool house and inground swimming pool. No objection Applications determined by Dorset Council or awaiting decision **The Camp Haydon Lodge Entrance To Sherborne Park,** P/PABA2/2022/00081Station an above ground CIRIA and SSAFO compliant sealed storage tank incorporating a sealed cover. Information only for the PC. No comment requested, Prior approval granted  **Goathill Farm, Goathill** P/FUL/2021/03472 Change of use of land for the stationing of a shepherd hut to provide holiday accommodation, Support |
| 22.15  22.16  22.17  22.18  22.19  22.20  22.21  22.22 | Rights of Way: A Rights of Way Report for Castleton prepared by the RoWLO had previously been circulated to councillors. Mr Hart outlined the main issues including:  1. **Coombe Farm Bridleway:**  Dave Ackerley had been in contact with the farmer and visited the farm again that morning, with the result that most of the misleading signs and electric fencing across the path have been removed. The sign at the northern end of the bridleway was pointing in the right direction, which has not always been the case. Dave is looking into improving that sign with the help of the Monarch’s Way society who would like to attach markers. Dave noted that whilst he was at the farm a group of dogs ran out, until they were recalled. The council was also told of an incident a few todays before this when a group of dogs aggressively surrounded a walker on the bridleway, barking and biting at her walking stick before being recalled to one of the houses on the farm. The council agreed that this is a potential danger to users of the bridleway and asked the clerk to inform the PCSO. 2. **Meeting with the British Horse Society**, Thornford, April 21st 2022. The RoWLO reported that the meeting had been well attended and was successful in explaining the motivations of the BHS in making DMMO applications, paving the way for closer engagement with parish councils. Vanessa Penny of Dorset Council explained the lengthy processing procedure as well. It was noted that dedication of routes as, for example, footpaths or bridleways by landowners would be a much faster and simpler process. 3. **DMMO Applications:** There have been some more submissions in the area and others are still at the preparation stage. Jim Hart is investigating further possible applications including Whittington Lane, Sherborne.   **Sheeplands Lane**, After the BHS meeting, Jim Hart took Philip Hackett of the BHS to have a look at the lane. He agreed that the current provision for horse riders is not appropriate and explained the legal reasons why this is so. It was agreed to ask Cllr Legg to discuss this with Sherborne Town Council as a next step.  Community Land Trust, Sherborne Community Benefit Society. Proposal to include Castleton. Cllr Hunt has not heard any more, but it was suggested that Castleton should be included in the area, so that residents could be eligible for community housing in Sherborne. To be discussed again.  Jubilee tree planting, It was resolved to donate £50 towards a tree to be planted in Poyntington. A similar sum would also be available for Oborne should they decide to plant a tree.  Items for the next Agenda: Wall along the A30 just after the Oborne junction, Dog bin in Oborne Dates of future meetings: 14 July, Oborne  1 September, Poyntington  3 November, Oborne  **The meeting closed at 9.10pm** |
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