

STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 17 July at 7.30pm in the Studland Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Chairman: Cllr Bowyer

Cllrs: Hammond, Dyball, Smith, Pilgrim, Etherington, Boulter, Wright

DCllr: Dragon

CCllr: Brooks

NT Representative: E. Wright

Tree Warden: S. White

Clerk: J. Parish

MEETING COMMENCED AT: 7.35pm

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1. **Apologies** - Cllr Ferguson.
2. **Declarations of Interest** - None.
3. **Public Participation Time** - None.
4. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

4.1 - The signing of the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 June 2017 have been deferred until the next full council meeting. Chairman to review these with Clerk to (1) add Eric Stobart's name to Diane Edmonds' name when she asks about where the Coombe is? (2) amend the spelling of U-Tube and (3) tidy up the language so it reads better.

4.2 - The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 3 July 2017 were signed as a true and accurate record.

4.3 - Progress of ACTIONS from last minutes; matters arising. It was agreed that ACTIONS marked 'complete' were to be removed from the list of ACTIONS.

5. Tree Warden Update.

A draft Tree Strategy has been presented and members will consider this. There are so many trees in Studland, it was reported that it isn't possible to do a detailed tree survey; phase one will therefore be a survey of significant trees. Involvement from further volunteers will be needed to help with this. It was suggested that group walks around parts of the village could be arranged followed by refreshment at for example the social club.

The Tree Warden will contact James Bennett, County Tree Officer for assistance. NT E. Wright will look at information about trees that have already been tagged and contact the Clerk. Cllr Pilgrim reported that the Ordinance Survey online is a good resource to use; the Tree Warden would need help with this. It was reported that the wide variety of Studland's geology provides unusually varied growing media allowing for a great variety of trees; for this reason the Chairman reported that the Bankes family planted trees in particular places. It was also recognised that disease could be a problem for the village; if you have just one group of trees and then they all get disease, so it's very important to have variety.

6. National Trust Report:

6.1 - Matters arising from NT Report circulated on 19 June 2017.

Any matters? None

6.2 - Matters arising from the NT Report due to be circulated on Friday 14th July 2017.

- Members were concerned about the Watery Lane tunnel effect being lost should the hedge line be moved back by a metre. It was reported that previously this Treework was a tenant responsibility, but not much work has been done in the past and so NT has now taken over this responsibility. NT E. Wright reported that NT are also keen to maintain the tunnel effect.
- It was reported that further Treework is needed for buses as they enter the village.
- It was reported that last week drug taking equipment was found on the beach and today two packages of drugs were found on the beach by Shell Bay.

ACTIONS (1) Clerk to give a copy of the Tree Strategy to NT E. Wright. (2) NT E. Wright to send Clerk info relating to archives in the Kingston Lacey project about the interpretation of how the Bankes family used their beach hut.

6.3 - To consider the setting up of Working Groups of SPC to work with NT.

Project group and scrutiny group

- NT Middle Beach Working Group
- Manorial Waste
- Heath
- Signs

- Re: Middle beach survey work - it was asked (1) if this work is likely to have an impact on the overall timetable? NT E. Wright was not sure. (2) why the vegetation has to be removed? This was thought to be to do with the shape and gradient of the land. It was reported that NT Alix Gilmer had suggested work would be complete by the middle of August. Today it was updated that the survey work wouldn't take much time as not much work was needed.
- The first project group meeting will take place on 10 August 2017 where the Terms of Reference and persons to attend would be agreed. It was agreed that Cllr Boulter and the Chairman would prepare a Terms of Reference.

7. District and County Councillor Reports:

7.1 - DISTRICT.

- There has been no more announcements on local government reorganisation other than to say that PDC has been offered to join a joint committee; 2 members have been appointed. East Dorset has also joined; there are 10 members from District and 6 from DCC. It is sensible to have some joint working even if government doesn't follow through. PDC have sent a letter to the Secretary of State saying that they haven't changed their mind about Unitary and to clarify to the Secretary of State that by joining a joint committee should not be interpreted as PDC having changed their mind in relation to going Unitary.
- There have been several press releases recently from PDC, it is noted that there has been a change over the years in relation to reporting of Council meetings; in the past a member of the press used to report on Council meetings, so what was reported was what the press chose to comment on; current press releases are only released by PDC and so only what PDC wants to be reported is published.
- First press release was re: getting reduction on council tax if you are single occupant and we know there are persons who are not correctly registered. There is a cooling off period so that persons can register correctly and not be fined.
- There are photos and video footage of a speeding jet ski who hit a boat. Help is needed identifying the rider, the jet ski has been identified but it is no longer registered since being sold.
- Questions if the speed limit marker buoys are in the correct place. DCllr Dragon has the map; Clerk to liaise with DCllr. ACTION
- PDC passed Licensing of boats onto venture activity licensing authority. There have been problems of licensing of boats that Land and Wave have been stopped putting to sea due to lack of safety equipment. If there is a problem, it will be down to PDC; DCllr Dragon to update further ACTION.
- CCllr Brooks clarified that the legislation has changed and licences are now national licences to make it less bureaucratic; DCllr Dragon asks but how often are the checks carried out? Do they actually do a check on them? DCllr Dragon is concerned that smaller boats are not checked and they need inspecting.

- Issue asking about Dog warden not having jurisdiction on private land. If the parish council had an enforcement officer its power could be transferred.
- Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMO) in Studland - HMOs have been established and have been given a certain time-frame to become compliant with fire regulations, occupancy limits etc.,

7.2 - COUNTY.

- There's an overlap with the District Report, the Joint Committee has therefore already been mentioned.
- At the Local Government Annual conference, Savid Javid was present but said nothing about re-organisation of Local Government in Dorset. It was reported that all the Dorset councils are putting pressure on the Secretary of State to make a decision The longer it takes, the worse the problem for the timescale. The Leader of PDC was supposed to see the Secretary of State this last week but that had to be rescheduled.
- There will be a walk about with Steven Mephram; let me know if you have problems and we will try and sort it - the issue at the Heathgreen Road/ Swanage Road Junction was mentioned.
- It was reported that wild flowers have sprouted on verges, as a cost saving and ecological measure, they will be allowed to grow up; 92% of persons who rang in say how lovely it looks.
- It was clarified that while CCllr Wharf was elected as deputy leader of the Conservative Group for Dorset at the County election, he is not standing currently as deputy leader until a matter of conflict of interest has been cleared up by a legal case.

8. Studland Parish Councillors:

8.1 - Co-option to Current Vacancy:

- Karen Wright was unanimously voted on to the parish council as a councillor.

8.2 - Committees and Representation Update:

Resolved to appoint additional representatives to the:

- (a) Finance Committee - Cllr Dyball, (b) Studland Village Hall Management Committee - Cllr Etherington (required to also be a trustee of SVHMC), (c) Rights of Way Officer - Cllr Etherington, (d) Perenco Wytch Farm Liaison Committee - Cllr Dyball.

Meeting	Membership
Planning Committee	All members
Finance Committee	Cllrs Bowyer, Smith, Hammond, Dyball
DAPTC	Cllrs Bowyer, Pilgrim, Etherington
St Nicholas Parochial Church Council	Cllr Dyball
Studland Village Hall Management Committee	Cllr Etherington
National Trust Liaison	Cllrs Dyball, Hammond, Boulter, Etherington
Studland Beach Users Action Group	Cllrs Boutler, Hammond
Playing Field Committee	Cllrs Smith, Hammond, Dyball
Tree Officer	Cllr Etherington
Press Officer	Clerk
Rights of Way Officer	Cllr Etherington
Perenco Wytch Farm Liaison Committee	Cllrs Dyball, Hammond
APM	Cllrs Dyball, Pilgrim, Bowyer
Purbeck Transport Action Group	Cllr Etherington
Swanage Town Partnership	Cllr Bowyer

9. To consider adopting a policy similar to NT policy re: signs displayed along the roadside on their property that any commercial signs are removed immediately and any signs advertising community events are left for a week and then removed.

Deferred to August meeting; it was suggested that it is up to the landowner to decide to apply a policy like this. It was recognised however that although the Parish Council has no power to enforce such a policy unless on its own land, it can inform, influence and persuade landowners to adopt this policy.

ACTION Clerk to contact Jenny Penny (Highways) re: the signs at the Norden roundabout.

ACTION DCllr to update further on the issue that DCC say they won't deal with any signs unless they are on roundabouts; it could mean a situation where PDC issue an enforcement notice against DCC.

10. To consider the SPC response to the New Pay Claim Consultation with NALC Local Council members. ACTION - Defer to Cllr Bowyer to respond.

11. DAPTC:

11.1 - To consider motions from SPC to be discussed at DAPTC AGM:

- it was agreed that the Chairman would draft a motion relating to greater scrutiny over how Highways matters are considered severe; there seem to be degrees of severity.

11.2 - DAPTC Executive request for ideas on how to increase participation in DAPTC activities:

- it was suggested that our village hall could be offered as a training venue for the Purbeck area; a parish council with a majority of trained parish councillors has a great advantage and will be ready for action and responsive and be involved. It was also suggested that our village hall be used for training for Local Government reorganisation.

12. To consider setting up a working group to look again at alternative website providers, given that the Hugofox website does not seem to be as accessible to the community as previously hoped. It was agreed that Cllrs Dyball and Pilgrim will work on this with the clerk. It was noted that the current website is not up to date with for example the contact details of Councillors; clerk to check what details are required to be published re: Councillors.

13. Planning:

13.1 Planning Applications:

- **6/2017/0387** - Greensleaves Glebe Estate, Studland, BH19 3AS - No comments.

13.2 Tree Applications:

- **TWA/2017/107** - Roadside between 4 Alma Cottages and 3 Watery Lane, Studland - Comment that the tunnel effect is to be maintained.

13.3 Other Planning Related Matters - none.

14. Crime: Reported by NT under item 6.

15. Highways - Church Road parking issue - Letter received by Mrs Forrest. - defer to next meeting due to lack of time.

16. Chairman's Announcements.

- Issue about footpaths - complaints about hedges impacting on footpaths.
- The NT whole group meeting and project group and broader scrutiny group yet to be set.
- Fishing for memories Coffee morning - 31 August 2017, 10.30am in the Village Hall.

17. Clerk's Items and Correspondence - none.

18. Reports from Committees and Working Groups: none.

19. Reports from Representatives: please refer to the DAPTC Purbeck minutes of meeting which have been circulated.

20. Financial Reports:

20.1 ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 30 JUNE 2017; BANK ACCOUNT £35,489.03; SAVINGS ACCOUNT £1,763.74.

20.2 Resolved to pay the clerk's salary and to make the following payments:

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J.D. Facilities Ltd (Cleaning Beach Road Public Conveniences)	227.76
Clerk's expenses: HP toner replacement (£145.20) and additional printing at Office Outlet for Middle Beach Meeting (£54.40)	199.60
R. Best (Gardening Services)	247.50
DAPTC (Cllr. Training)	65.00
Studland Social Club - GRANT	200
Studland Toddlers Group - GRANT	150
TOTAL (not including clerk's salary)	1089.86

20.3 Other Financial Business:

20.3.1 - The Parish Notice Board - SPC considered the Estimate to replace the village notice board by M. Parsons (Joiner) of £730 and decided an opportunity for at least 2 more quotes should be given. Cllr Dyball suggested Joe Parry Jones - Carpenter.

20.3.2 - Report on Comparison of payments 2016/17 against budget for same period - Clerk/ Cllr Hammond. Deferred.

20.3.3 - Update on Section 137 - Clerk to report back.

20.3.4 - Review Bus Shelter Cleaning - Approved the extra work of one clean per week by J.D. Facilities to clean the Bus Shelter at £12.50 plus VAT with immediate effect; to be reviewed in September.

20.3.5 - Street Lighting Repairs Update - to defer.

20.3.6 - Review of Clerk's Schedule of work - to defer.

21. Date of Next Meeting:

SPC Meeting - 21 August 2017 at 7.30pm