



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE
HELD ON THURSDAY 5th AUGUST 2021 AT LONGTHORNS
CAMPSITE

PRESENT Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman)
 Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman)
 Cllr Barry Quinn
 Cllr Tessa Wiltshire
 Cllr Chris Evans
 Cllr Graeme Langley
 Cllr Keith Evans

APOLOGIES Dorset Councillor Cherry Brooks
IN ATTENDANCE Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. **To receive the Declaration of Acceptance form from Co-Opted Councillor**
This will be signed at the next meeting.
2. **Public Participation Time**
No members of the public were in attendance.
3. **Apologies**
Dorset Cllr Brooks
4. **Granting of Dispensation**
No applications for a dispensation had been made.
5. **Declarations of Interest**
None
6. **Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on Thursday 1st July 2021**
It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1st July 2021 were approved as a true account.
7. **Matters arising from the minutes**
No matters were arising.
8. **Planning Applications or Planning Information received**
None received
9. **Update on Previous Applications or planning information**
None received.
10. **Report from Dorset County Councillor**
No report
11. **Police Issues to report**
An RTA happened near the speed camera shortly before the meeting.
12. **Discuss a new noticeboard for the Farrer Estate**
It was agreed that the noticeboard will be located at the bin store. The noticeboard is not completely ready as there is currently an issue with the paint being flaky. Cllr K Evans will contact the Management Company to ask for

approval for erecting the board at that location.

13. Churchyard update

- a) Two quotes have been received from George Barnes for £664 and Corbin Fencing for £710. Another quote is due for iron bar fencing. It was agreed to provisionally award it to George Barnes but to wait for the other quote encase it is cheaper.
- b) The new grass has established well and now needs a cut. Tim Lee will be contacted to strim this area where the poppies are.
- c) **Action:** The Clerk needs to contact Wessex Water to explain that the Parish Council would like to apply for a leakage allowance.

14. To consider adopting the new LGA Councillor Code of Conduct

The main change is there is advisory information on the use of social media. It was proposed by Cllr Quinn and seconded by Cllr Cady to formally adopt the new Code of Conduct.

15. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

- i) The tarmac around the pole has been done.
- ii) The deer carcass has been removed.
- iii) The sign at the Highwood junction has been repaired.
- iv) Two of the unofficial signs including the finger post have been removed from the Hethfelton House turning. The issue was first discussed due to the sign approaching from the East being completely obscured by vegetation which has not been resolved. An update is required as to when this will be cut back. There have been reports that this access point is only used for events and the original entrance is used the rest of the time. **Action:** County Cllr Brooks will be asked for an update.

b) Community Speed Indicator Device Programme

It was confirmed by the Road Safety Officer that the S.I.Ds cannot be placed in 60mph zones. The survey along the A352 can be utilised as it was conducted less than 5 years ago. Potential sites are on either side of the A352 along the straight stretch of road by Middlefield and across from the Farrer Estate. It was discussed that there are plans for a pedestrian crossing to give access to the SANG which will be located on the other side of the A352. Suez has objected to more development while the quarry is still working. There is uncertainty as to what type of crossing would be planned as it is rare to have pelican crossings in rural areas. Also, it will be located on a brow of a hill and the speed limit will need to be lowered. The proposed village hall will be situated near to the entrance of the Farrer Estate. It was suggested to ask the people who undertook the traffic survey as to the percentage of drivers who travel over the speed limit. Another survey would need to be conducted at Hethfelton. The S.I.D. would require solar panels as there is no electricity nearby and a working party would need to be formed to move it to different locations. The Parish Council do have enough money to pay approximately £3000 for a S.I.D. It was discussed if the ring-fenced money for an old barrister's bill can be used. It was agreed that it is likely that the bill will be written off. It was agreed that a meeting with the Road Safety Officer should be arranged to plan the way forward.

c) Damaged bridge in Church Lane

This is still waiting to be repaired.

d) Camp Festival

At the A352/B3070 junction, one solitary marshall was trying to direct all the traffic. It was observed that there were no marshalls at the level crossing or at the Holme Lane crossing. There could have been a potentially serious

accident whereby cars are queuing across the level crossing. It was suggested that they should have used temporary traffic lights here. Queues occurred along the A352 from the Holmebridge turning all the way to the Woolbridge roundabout. The Traffic Plan stated that vehicles from the east should have been directed to the Blue Pool roundabout and then onto Springfield.

Due to firing taking place the B3070 was closed on Tuesday 20 July between East Lulworth and West Holme. Many of the HGVs involved in the Camp Bestival set up were not aware of this closure and had to turn around. It was commented upon that the Army should have rearranged this exercise so that it did not clash with the run up to the festival. The traffic problems were further affected as premium surface dressing work was being undertaken in Dorchester Road in Wool.

e) Other Issues

- i) A Wessex Water Sign for the Church Lane road closure was displaying 6th rather than 9th. This was rectified within hours..
- ii) The A352 pavement is becoming unusable due to the overgrown ferns. This has been reported to Highways. There was a complaint from a member of the public that a footpath has deteriorated due to foliage. **Action:** The Clerk will check that it is the pavement rather than the Parish Council maintained footpath.

16. Consultations for consideration or New Items for Discussion/Consideration

- a) Community Governance Review (CGR). The Public consultation will be for 12 weeks from 5th August to 28 October 2021.
Previously it has been discussed that a property along Bindon Lane could be moved into East Stoke as unlike all the neighbouring properties it lies in the Wool Parish. Wool Parish Council has included this item on their agenda and will notify us of their decision. The resident who lives in the property on the edge of the Coombe Keynes boundary has confirmed that they want to continue to be in Coombe Keynes. The decision process for this review is bottom-up. Therefore, Parish and Town Councils make all the suggestions for example if they want to form a group of parishes or to be classed as a Parish Meeting rather than a Parish Council. There is an option to say that the Parish Councils do not want any changes.

17. Correspondence Received

- a) Climate and Ecological Emergency Support Group meeting notes from 16 June and next meeting information. The next meeting will be on 14th July. **Noted.**
- b) July Update. News from the Purbeck Transport Action Group (PTAG). The More Bus Breezer 31 is now running via the Wareham Holiday Parks, Wareham, Bovington (Tank Museum & Camp; Monkey World), Wool, Winfrith and Lulworth.
It was noted that there are now hourly bus services to Monkey World, the Tank Museum and various campsites in the area. There is talk of extending it to Bere Regis. It was questioned as to whether these are publicised enough as not many people use this service.
- c) Confirm Report: Road works report - Purbeck. BT will be carrying out work on 2nd August 21:00-06:00 at the A352/Church Lane junction. **Noted.**
- d) Dorset National Park Summer Newsletter. The Dorset National Park proposal will be considered later on in the year. **Noted.**
- e) Camp Bestival 2021 - Traffic Management and Rights of Way closures. The event runs from Thursday 29 July and Sunday 01 August 2021. **Noted.**

- f) The next phase in the Planning Convergence and Transformation Project. The planning portal will not be available from 6pm Monday 12th to Thursday 15th July. **Noted.**
- g) TEN notification. A Temporary Event Notification for a Wedding at Hethfelton House on 28/07/2021. **Noted.**
- h) Temporary closure of the B3070, East Lulworth. Firing will be taking place on the Lulworth ranges; the B3070 will be closed on Tuesday 20 July between 09:00 and 17:30, between East Lulworth and West Holme. **Noted.**
- i) DAPTC E-News 16th July 2021. There has been a delay in launching the Register of Interests webform. **Noted.**
- j) Temporary closure of A352 at Wool Level Crossing. It will come into operation on Tuesday 20th July 2021 and will remain in force for five days. But, it is anticipated that the works will take place over four consecutive nights, between 00.01hrs and 05.30hrs, starting on Tuesday 20th July 2021. **Noted.**
- k) Camp Bestival 2021 - Covid Entry Requirements. It has been announced that all ticket holders aged 11 and above will need to demonstrate their covid status prior to entry. **Noted.**
- l) NDA - Annual Report and Accounts 2020-2021 published on gov.uk. **Noted.**
- m) NDA Response to the Departmental Review. The National Decommissioning Authority is now becoming a group of wholly-owned subsidiaries. **Noted.**
- n) Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership July Newsletter. Lorna Carver the Dorset LEP Director is stepping down and Dr Corrina Osborne has been appointed as Interim Director. **Noted.**
- o) Bus Service Improvement Plan. PTAG participated in the first (virtual) consultation last week and this provided a good introduction to the process and timetable. **Noted.**
- p) Temporary Event Notice for your area - Hethfelton House - 7 August **Noted.**
- q) Temporary Event Notice for your area - Holme Nurseries - 28 August. **Noted**
- r) Proposed closure of A352 at Wool Level Crossing. These works are programmed to take place overnight, between 21.00hrs, Tuesday 21st and 01.00hrs, Wednesday 22nd September. **Noted.**
- s) Proposed temporary closure of Church Lane, East Stoke. These works are programmed to take place from Monday 9th August until Wednesday 11th August. **Noted.**
- t) Temporary Event Notice for your area - Holme Nurseries 4 September. **Noted.**
- u) Cycle Event. The RTTC National 10 mile Time Trial Championships will be travelling along Holme Lane on 11th & 12th September. There will be no road closures for this event however it was discussed that it will still be the tourist season and problems may arise. It was questioned if there will be marshalls, and if they will be accredited as this will mean that they will be allowed to direct traffic.

18. Finance

- a) **The following payments were duly approved and will be paid electronically. Cllr Child and Cllr Quinn to approve the payments.**

Amount

Miss E Maidment Salary	£226.91
Dorset County Pension Fund	£65.88
T. Lee (Grounds Maintenance Apr - Jun 21)	£802.50
DAPTC (Code of Conduct Training)	£30.00

- b) **To note the last month's approved payment schedule**

The payment schedule is on the bank statement and was duly signed by the Chair.

c) First Quarter Bank Reconciliation fingerpost has used

The Receipts and Payments Cashbook balance of £38142.30 agreed with the reconciled bank balance of 30th June 2021.

d) First Quarter Budget Report

The first quarter budget report was noted and £2435.80 has been spent in this financial year. It was proposed by Cllr Cady and seconded by Cllr Child to transfer £20,000 to the deposit account in order to gain more interest. It was suggested that the Parish Council could invest in bonds. **Action:** Cllr Langley to investigate.

19. Items for information or next agenda

- a)** Cllr Brooks will be asked if there are any updates on the catering business.
- b)** Cllr Chris Evans, Quinn and Langley are unable to attend the next meeting.

20. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held in Longthorns Campsite on 2nd September.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.19

Chairman:

Date.....