

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14th May 2019

Councillors Present:

Mrs D Wiltshire (DW)(<i>Chairman</i>)	Mr P Jeffery (PJ)
Mr D Read (DR)	Mr N Hallet (NH)
Mrs K Delafield (KD)	Mr Ben Carter (BC)
Mrs Val Cardall (VC)	

Mrs M Harding (Clerk)	5 members of the Public
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Apologies: Mr M Usherwood (MU) Mrs A Bennett (AB) Roland Tarr (DC)

- 2019/05-1 To elect the Chairman of the Council for 2019-20 and sign acceptance of office**
Debbie Wiltshire was nominated by DR seconded by NH -no other nominations received Resolved
- 2019/05-2 To elect the Vice Chair of the Council for 2019-20 and sign acceptance of office**
Anne Bennett was nominated by DW seconded by PJ- no other nominations received Resolved
- 2019/05-3 Welcome, housekeeping and to receive any apologies for absence,** emergency exits noted, apologies were received and recorded
- 2019/05-4 To receive declarations of interest and grants of dispensation-** none- Councillors were asked to introduce themselves to the meeting.
- 2019/05-5 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 30th April 2019**
Proposed DR Seconded PJ Resolved
- 2019/05-6 Matters arising from the minutes for info only** -None.
- 2019/05-7 Chairman’s Report for 2018-19-** The report had been previously circulated and received by the Council, this will be read out at the Annual Parish meeting.
- 2019/05-8 Democratic forum 15 minutes (for agenda items only)**
Members of the public questioned the change of the democratic forum being split, this is being tried as it is used in other parishes locally, the initial section is for items on the agenda so Cllrs can gather feedback for their decisions, the second section at the end of the meeting is for other items brought up but not for decision. Members of the public explained that they didn’t want to wait until the end of the meeting in order to bring something up. It was noted that if there are items that the public would like discussed they can contact any of the Councillors for it to be included on the agenda if it is an item of business for the Parish Council. The new format can be changed if it is not well received but the PC will give it a trial for a couple of months.
- 2019/05-9 To reaffirm the WSM Financial regulations and Standing Orders-** These policies are available on the website, they will be updated this year due to the changes to the meeting dates and internet banking.
Proposed DR Seconded PJ 5 voted For, 2 Abstentions Resolved
- 2019/05-10 To consider that the WSM is eligible to use the “General Power of Competence”** details on this power were circulated to members, in order to be eligible, the Council needs a qualified Clerk and

parking on the old roadway or possibly removing some of the woodland for parking, there are limitations as the Duchy who own the surrounding land and the tenant are not in support of relinquishing further land for parking as they did not support the business in the first place. It was suggested that 2 Councillors take this forward and report back to the PC, MU and KD agreed to take this on.

Other Highways issues: the issue of verge cutting was discussed, the Clerk had supplied the PC with the vegetation cutting regime, KD had contacted the local countryside officer as a resident to gather further information, the verges through the village were deemed to be on a 7 cuts per year basis whereas the road verges are only done twice a year. It was suggested to monitor these cuts to see if they were sufficient.

Road closures: It was noted that there is to be a further road closure on the Weymouth Road, Martinstown for Wessex Water works from 9th July to 11th July, this is likely to coincide with the road closure on 21st June to 11th July on Gould's Hill Martinstown, these works are road repairs, the Council require further information on the time of day and access for residents. Clerk to follow up. **Action Clerk**

2019/05-16 To receive reports from:

- i. **The footpath Liaison Officers-** No problems other than the public track being used by farm vehicles so this in turn has reduced the mess on the road. The PC also noted the sinkhole on Bronkham Hill.
- ii. **Waste watch representatives-** No change since the last meeting.
- iii. **Village Hall representatives-** No change since last meeting.
- iv. **Winterbourne Community Fund (was the Blanchard Trust)-** No change since the last meeting.
- v. **PCSO matters-** PCSO Sarah Pilcher had sent an emailed report
Reported incidents between 01112018 – 01052019 as follows
1 x criminal damage farmers fence – in Hardy's Monument area
2 x suspicious vehicles – Rew lane area
2 x Road traffic collision – damage only

General – Reports of evidence and/or Poaching having taken place – we urge anyone to please report anything however small or insignificant you think it may be, all these calls help us build a picture as to the poachers movements so when we do overnight operations we can use this information to tailor our patrols

Scam calls/e mail still prevalent in all guises and are forever changing. Main thing is NO ONE (incl banks, police, HMRC) will ever ask for any personal bank details over the phone, threaten you with arrest if you don't comply, ask you to go to bank and withdraw money and they will collect so DON'T give them out unless you have instigated the call i.e Amazon, e bay etc. If any concerns put the phone down, leave for 5/10 mins then either call a recognized number or Police on 101.

Beauty Spot thefts are still continuing so again please report any cars or persons acting suspicious but we do try and patrol as and when we can to display posters and advising drivers accordingly.

There have also been breaks to businesses in and around the Dorchester area with thefts of tools, garden machinery etc so just to make all aware or securing their sheds, containers, business premises and if any security advice needed then Sarah is happy to visit.

- vi. **Community Speed Watch-** Total number of speed readings taken = 177,049
Average Vehicle Speed = 34mph
<30mph = 116,069
31- 40mph = 57,144

41- 50mph = 3,706

51- 60mph = 126

60mph + = 4

Top recorded speeds:

63 mph (2/4/2019 11:41 AM)

61 mph (30/3/2019 5:07 AM)

59 mph (31/3/2019 4:48 AM)

59 mph (1/5/2019 10:00 PM)

Note: Number of speed readings does not equal number of vehicles.

Slower moving vehicles record more speed measurements than slower moving vehicles. A vehicle travelling at 30mph will record 3 or 4 measurements, vs a vehicle moving at 50mph would only record a single measurement.

It was noted that the perception of speed is slightly better and the response regarding the "Thankyou" message is well received.

vii. **DAPTC**-This has been covered in correspondence

viii. **Flood Warden**- SS asked that riparian owners are reminded to keep their section of stream clear.

2019/05-17 To receive a report on amenity matters- Still waiting on tree works to be completed on the Green, Clerk to follow up.

2019/05-18 To consider the dates, times and venues of the PC meetings for the coming year

The PC had gone from meeting bi monthly to monthly meetings. The council will now consider meeting monthly except Sept, Dec and April, and to hold the Annual parish meeting in April at the Village Hall.

The next meeting being Wednesday 26th June at the Grove meeting room.

Meeting dates for the coming year.

26 June 2019	29 Jan 2020
31 July 2019	26 Feb 2020
28 Aug 2019	25 March 2020
30 Oct 2019	27 May 2020
27 Nov 2019	

Meeting dates will be circulated and placed on the website.

2019/05-19 Democratic forum 15 minutes

Residents felt that the website should detail what the Parish Council does and what it can do for the parish.

It was noted that whilst the Parish/Church magazine is to fold the website will continue with support from the current website editor.

Meeting dates will be placed on the village notice boards and how to contact the Council

Meeting closed 8.55pm

Cllr Debbie Wiltshire (*Chairman*) _____

Date: 26th June 2019