

STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 18th January 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr P.N. Bowyer in the Chair, Cllrs J. Dyball, P. Hammond, S. Smith, F. Pilgrim, N. Dragon, M. Lovell.

There were no members of the public present

1. Apologies for Absence: Ms E. Wright (NT), Cllrs K. Forrest, A. Parsons.
2. Declaration of Interest: None declared.
3. Public Participation Time: None.
4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st December 2015: After an amendment in Item 6, changing the date of the Playing Field Working Group meeting from 11 February 2016 to 11 January 2016, the minutes were agreed to be a correct record and signed.
Minutes of the Finance and Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 11 January 2016: The minutes were agreed to be a correct record and signed.
5. Reports from Sub-Committees and Working Groups:
At the Finance and Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 11 January 2016, The Financial Report was not presented in a format that would allow Counsellors to set the precept. It was agreed to set the precept at the meeting of the Full Council 18 January 2016.
6. National Trust Report:
In the Absence of Ms Wright, the Chairman read the NT report. It was decided to copy the report to all members and to discuss matters arising at the next full parish council meeting on 15th February 2016. Matters arising discussed at this point: Concern about damage to the habitat, another step closer to turning Studland into a Theme Park, are these events appropriate for Studland, setting of a possible Purbeck-wide meeting to discuss NT.
7. District and County Councillor Reports:
Due to further finance reductions from Central Government, DCC will have to cut services, for example the proposed closing of Youth Centres across Dorset. DCC is currently contesting the reductions as unworkable.
8. Planning: none
9. National Trust Proposal to Use Manor Farm Cottage as a Holiday Let:
It was agreed that the Parish Council write to the National Trust expressing its concern and opposition to the use of Manor Farm Cottage as a holiday let property. The Parish council preferred the property to be let full time to a family, preferably with a local connection. The Parish Council is seeking from the NT a moratorium on holiday lets for NT properties in the parish.

10. The Use of Footpaths by Cyclists on Agglestone Road and Other Areas:

Clerk to send a letter of support to DCC for proposed work by NT

11. Chairman's Allowance:

The Parish Council agreed, in accordance with the 1972 Local Government Act, to create a chairman's fund on £250 per year for the use of hospitality and related matters. The Parish Council's Standing Orders would be amended so as to incorporate this decision.

12. Parish Plan: not discussed.

13. Crime: none.

14. Highway Matters:

Lack of maintenance on the Studland to Corfe Castle Road caused flooding of the road which then turned to ice, causing the road to be closed last week. Warning signs are now in place but the conditions are still the same. Cllr Lovell proposed to set up a meeting re: flooding.

Also discussed was the builders' vehicles parked on the Swanage Road and effectively blocking the traffic down to one lane. Clerk to contact PCO Iain Leslie.

15. Clerk's Items and Correspondence:

The Clerk attended the Coffee morning and was told that residents do not want to see the Beach Road toilets closed; the reason given was the result would be mess in the hedges for example. Residents also complained about the builder's traffic parked on the Swanage Road. The Clerk confirmed that the handover from the last Clerk should be complete on 21st January 2016.

16. 1 Account Balances as at 31/12/2015: Bank Account £25,766.27, Savings Account £1,763.74

16.2 Resolution to make the following payments:

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Clearview Cleaning -	228.65
Clerk's Pay - January 2016	131.33
HMRC	32.83
Clerk Johnson's Pay	906.83
TOTAL	1299.64

16.3 Other Financial Matters:

Members discussed the proposed budget and a 20% increase to the precept for 2016/17. Due to lack of time, an Extraordinary meeting was arranged for Monday 25th January 2016 to set the precept.

17. Chairman's Items and Matters of Interest:

Cllr Smith raised the matter of how to mark the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations.

Cllr Dyball is going to the PCC meeting on Monday.

The Chairman stressed the significance of the NT not having thought through their managed retreat policy in relation to the SSI sites for example.

Chairman planned to attend planning training supplied by Purbeck District Council.

The Chairman has made representations to Swanage Town Council and Purbeck District Council about the loss of public views associated with planning applications and decisions across Purbeck.

18. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 15th February 2016.

The Meeting ended at 10.48pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

P N BOWYER

Josephine Parish - Parish Clerk

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