

CHAR VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTH MEETING OF THE CHAR VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL ON MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2017 IN WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM VILLAGE HALL

3780: Present: Cllrs: D Snook, S Creed-Castle, C Bailey, C Everidge, H Joyce, C Sage, C Mahaddie, C Peck, D Turner (DCC). S Christopher (WDDC), A Marks (Clerk) and four members of the public

3781: Apologies : S Johnson, K Vaughan **Cllr Snook** welcomed Heather Boyle who had expressed an interest in becoming a co-opted councillor.

3782: Public Discussion Period: Amy Ralph, a local resident was frustrated that the appeal decision at Little Oak Farm had been approved, the scattered buildings will change the landscape. (**Cllr Sage** wished the Council to write to district councillors expressing its views). Dr B King and Reverend C Peters-King attended the meeting, they are the applicants of the property at 2 Sheepwash Green, Grandfathers Knap, Fishpond, Bridport DT6 6NP, this application as objected to CVPC at the meeting in January however WDDC will be considering this application on 16th February. Reverend Peters-King passed around a letter detailing the amendments that they wish to make to the original application which they hope will appease the neighbours.

3783 : Resolution to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 9th January 2017 : Draft minutes had been circulated and were approved although the churchyard wall in Whitchurch was proposed by **Cllr Joyce** and seconded by **Cllr Peck**

3784 : Actions Following Last Meeting: As circulated by the Clerk.

3785: Reports:

Dorset Association of Town and Parish Councils (DAPTC) : **Cllr Snook** attended the Western Area DAPTC meeting. A speaker from the Dorset Clinical Services Review reported that 13% of residents in West Dorset had already completed the questionnaire. The final date is 28th February. Details can be found on the CVPC website.

Stephen Hill advised the results of the unitary group – 6 were in favour and 3 were against, decision will be made at the end of March. West Dorset will disappear and any assets will be passed to the new unitary authority. Char Valley does not have any assets apart from an interest in the playing Fields in Wootton Fitzpaine which may become our total responsibility.

More retrospective planning applications are coming in.

Bridport Local Area Partnership : Cllr Everidge reported this was undergoing restructuring focussing on homelessness and young people

Transport : **Cllr Everidge** advised the meeting that a second pedestrian crossing on the A35 at Morcombelake is looking more positive. Highways England are actively looking at building a roundabout near Eype, this will take between 3 and 6 months to build and would start in 2019. Updates on the bus service between Wootton Fitzpaine and Bridport are due

3786: Councillor Reports :

Cllr Snook reported that the white gates in Charmouth Forest were in a poor state, **Cllr Sage** said that he would speak to the owners.

Cllr Everidge reported that there was subsidence between Morecombelake and Chideock and a sign needs to be installed. The South Western Ambulance Service are holding a Defibrillator & CPR training night at Whitchurch Village Hall on Thursday 16th March starting at 7pm and three machines will be installed free of charge at the village hall in Whitchurch, the Five Bells in Whitchurch and the village hall in Morecombelake.

Cllr Creed-Castle provided a report on the War Memorial research, she has been researching 18 fallen service men living in West Dorset, there will be an exhibition which has been set for the weekend of 21st and 22nd October 2017 and will be held at Whitchurch Village Hall, she will be writing a report that will be inserted in the parish magazine.

Cllr Bailey: would like a new contact list for all members of Char Valley District Council, the clerk will prepare this to be distributed at next month's meeting.

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Cllr Peck: gave an update on the finger posts – she had received an offer of help from John Day for residents to do fund raising. How would we finance this and has this been budgeted for? Tony and Cynthia Hall will be making a donation towards the finger posts. She has received an offer from three people which she will be taking up. She mentioned that some of the finger posts are tilted at a slight angle, it has been decided to leave them as long as they are sturdy.

Cllr Joyce: advised the meeting that there has been an increase in advance holiday bookings which will no doubt result in an increase in traffic.

Cllr Mahaddie: commented on the planning application for Little Hardown which she was unable to do as she knew the residents – this will be discussed later in the meeting

3787 : County Councillors Report : Cllr D Turner reported on the unitary policy – six councils have voted for this and three are against there should be some indication of what is happening by the end of March further information can be found on www.futuredorset.co.uk . Parking – two sets of enforcement officers will not be following the same rules. He mentioned that Thorncombe runs a community car scheme which works very well for local residents.

3788: District Councillors Report : Cllr S Christopher reported that the planning committee are meeting on Thursday. Single Farm payment – what will replace it and what will happen in 2020? Young entrants scheme (aimed at people aged under 40) – what will happen?
The house proposed for Pitmans Lane – appeal has gone to the district council.
West Dorset local plan details of this are on the Char Valley website.

3789 : Planning :

i) To Consider : WD/D/17/000063 – Bellair House, Berne Lane, Charmouth repair, alteration & improvement of 5no. existing flats in Bellair House and Cottage comprising the demolition of north extension, connecting link, conservatory and reinstatement of original entrance to main house and formation of a parking space for 8 cars – Chris Bailey had looked at this application, it is a listed building that had previously been converted to 5 flats, the applicant wishes to keep the flats but to restore them so that they are in keeping with a property of this age – no objection

ii) To Note: WD/D/16/002347 - 2 Sheepwash, Grandfathers Knapp, Fishpond. DT6 6NP – new extension and driveway – the Parish Council still object to this application as it is contrary to plan 263 and 572

WD/D/16/002837 –New Inn Cottage - Grandfathers Knap, Fishpond DT6 6NW - Replacement glazing and small remodelling works to existing cottage. Erect new extension to cottage rear. – no objection as it is not overlooked

WD/16/002788 – Foxglove Cottage, School Lane, Wootton Fitzpaine. DT6 6NF - New open fronted oak framed double garage. Conversion of integral garage to bedroom and replacement of flat roof over with pitched roof to match existing house roof – no objection

WD/D/16/002881 - Valley View, Carters Lane. Morcombelake, DT6 6SF - Erect ancillary building – pending as have asked for more information on drainage and sewerage

WD/D/16/002880 - Hill Farm, The Green, Morcombelake, DT6 6EA - Replacement outbuilding – resubmission as originally objected to.

WD/D/16/002682 LITTLE HARDOWN, LOVES LANE, MORCOMBELAKE, BRIDPORT, DT6 6DZ. Replace existing external white UPVC horizontal cladding with timber cladding – no objection as the timber cladding be in keeping with the property

iii) West Dorset District Council Decisions (to note):

WD/D/16/002501 – The Old Byre, Wootton Fitzpaine, DT6 6NQ – Demolish existing building and erect new building – approved

WD/D/16/002132 - Hobby Farm, Bluntshay Lane, Whitchurch Canonorum, DT6 6RJ – change of use – approved

iv) Appeal Decision – appeal allowed on WD/D/15/001719 Little Oak Farm, Champernhayes Lane - Erection of a main shed, a cow shed, a small shed, a hay shelter, two polytunnels, track and entrance way. – although this has been allowed by the planning inspector there is still strong objection to this and **Cllr Christopher** suggested that we write to Fred Horsington Chairman of Planning at WDDC, Matt Prosser the Chief Executive at WDDC and Rt. Hon. Oliver Letwin. **Cllr Snook** will write the letter and then liaise with the clerk

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v) Enforcement: Cllr Everidge is concerned that the ramp being built near Bellair on Charmouth Road – rubble is still being dumped and a section of the hedge has been removed, we need to contact Dorset Highways

3790 : Clerks Report :

(i) Payments – The following payments were approved :

Payee	Detail	Chq		amount
J West	Clerks pay and expenses Feb	500078		£380.13
HMRC	February tax – J West	500079		£80.80
S Lee	Lengthsman	500080		£998.40
Cancelled cheque	Incorrect amount	500081		
A Marks	Clerks pay and expenses Feb	500082		£428.79

(ii) Handover arrangements – Annette Marks has now taken over as clerk but is working with John West for the remainder of February

3791: Residents Survey – It was decided that the meetings about the Resident's Survey could coincide with the Annual Parish Meetings to be held in April and the relevant councillors will arrange this. Details of the survey have been posted on the Char Valley website.

3792: Play Area Whitchurch : Cllr Peck and the clerk had visited the site to check the fixings for the swing seats and thought that they could change the plastic seats, the fixings on the new toddler seats are different to those on the existing seats. The clerk will check with the insurance company to see whether the seats need to be installed by a professional.

3793: Verges : Cllr Mahaddie reported that nothing had happened since the last meeting, she had chased up Russ Goff but he has been unwell. **Cllr Mahaddie** will monitor the situation

3794: War Memorial Exhibition: this was covered earlier in the meeting

3795 : NHS Clinical Services Review : Cllr Snook reported on a consultation event that she had visited before last month's meeting where she had picked up information leaflets on this process. Information on the consultation review has been posted on the website.

3796 :Items for next agenda : Verges, Parish meeting dates, AONB, Play Area Whitchurch, Defibrillators,

3797 : Date of Next meeting : 13th March 2017 – Wootton Fitzpaine Village Hall

3798 : Closure of meeting : The meeting was closed at 9.45pm.