

Held on: 16/11/2011 at: 19:30 Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: Cllr Janet Allen (Chairman)

Cllr John Harris Cllr Michael Hopper Cllr Philip Smith

Cllr Jane Somper (District Councillor)

In attendance: Joyce Holman (Parish Clerk)

105 <u>Apologies</u> Cllr Paul Morgan (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr Jennifer Balcon Cllr Dean Hamilton

Cllr Mrs H Cox (County Councillor)
Cllr Emma Parker (District Councillor)

106 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

None

107 <u>Minutes of Parish Council Meeting on 19 October 2011</u>

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct

record.

108 <u>County & District Councillors' Reports</u>

Cllr Somper reported that the Localism Bill had received Royal Assent. The full act ran to 496 pages, but a plain English guide was available on line and she had forwarded an email today with the link to the document. The Planning Policy Panel at North Dorset District Council had agreed the wording of a consultation paper regarding the Localism Act and Neighbourhood Plans which would be sent to all Parish & Town Council at the end of November with a response required by the end of February. The District Council planned to organise workshops to explain in detail the various options available to give the Parish Council sufficient information to make a decision on their preferred option.

Cllr Somper confirmed that she had received details of the mud left on the road at Little England and The Causeway and had reported it to North Dorset District Council. It is not a site condition that the road is kept clean when a site is being developed and Councillors felt that this should be included as part of the granting of Planning Permission.

Cllr. Harris informed the Council that the Police had been called out and had visited the road. They had asked the builder to clear the road, which had been done, but the builder stated that not all the mud was from their development.

However, there was more mud on the road now and Cllr Hopper offered to speak to Dorset County Council Highways to see what could be done to resolve the matter.

109 Parish Council Representatives' Reports

In the absence of a Parish Council Representative, Mr Richard Lock, Chairman of the Village Hall Trustees informed the Council that the playing field adjacent to the Village Hall was now officially called the QE11 Playing Fields.

The Parish Council congratulated the Village Hall Trustees on this achievement.



The Chairman asked for nominations for the Village Hall Representative, but none of the Councillors present felt able to take the post. The Clerk would ask the absent Councillors and report back to the next meeting.

110 <u>DAPTC AGM (Min.82 – 14.09.11)</u>

Cllr. Hopper submitted for information a report a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

Cllr Hopper added that at the AGM there had been an excellent PowerPoint presentation about the Localism Act and he would attempt to obtain a copy of this and circulate to Members.

111 Planning Applications

No.	<u>Location</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2/2011/1201/PLNG	1 & 2 Deverel Mill Cottages, Deverel Farm Road	No Objection
No.	<u>Location</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2/2011/1251/PLNG	Village Hall, The Causeway	No Objection
No.	<u>Location</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2/2011/1255/PLNG	Manor Farmhouse	No Objection
No.	Location	<u>Decision</u>
1/D/11/001610	Warren Hill	No Objection

(Cllr Harris asked that the comments regarding keeping roads clean during development be raised)

112 Parish Council Meetings

The Clerk submitted a report a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

The report had looked at possible alternative locations for holding Parish Council Meetings following the Alcohol Licence being granted for the Village Hall. Cllr Hopper pointed out from the report that the Sport Club should say outskirts of the village, rather than outside the village.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council Meetings be held at the Village Hall unless circumstances at the Village Hall change, when the meeting location will be reconsidered by the Parish Council.

113 <u>Bus Service (Min.92 – 19.10.11)</u>

The Clerk submitted for information an email dated 31 October 2011 from the Transport Development Officer, Dorset Passenger Transport a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.



The email was in response to a request for an additional bus service to allow people in the village to be able to commute to Blandford by public transport.

The email stated that the service was being taken over by Damory Coaches in early 2012 and the service was going to be revised at that time.

114 Gypsy & Traveller Site Allocations Joint Development Plan Document

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 31 October 2011 from the Senior Planning Policy Officer at North Dorset District Council a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

The letter gave details of 4 exhibitions being held at different venues in North Dorset to provide more information about the consultation. The Chairman and Cllr. Hopper would attend the exhibitions and report back to the next meeting.

115 <u>Winter Maintenance (Min.96 – 19.10.11)</u>

The Clerk submitted for information an email dated 2 November 2011 from Dorset County Council Highways a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

The email confirmed that The Causeway, Little England, Homefield and Lane End had been added to the Community Links Network of roads to be gritted. They were unable to add Roke Road to the network as they felt this did not meet their criteria.

116 <u>Dorset Highways Survey</u>

The Clerk submitted a report a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

The report gave details of a survey being conducted by Dorset Highways which was too extensive to discuss in full at the Parish Council meeting. All Councillors would look at the survey and report back to the next meeting with their thoughts in order that a Parish Council response can be agreed.

117 Bere Stream (Min.97 – 19.10.11)

The Chairman reported that following more complaints about the state of the stream she had spoken with 2 farms upstream of the village. The first farm had enough water in the stream and the second farmer, who had lived there many years, was not concerned about the lack of water as he had seen the stream like this several times before. He would be clearing his stretch of the stream in the near future.

The Chairman asked that the riparian owners in the village keep their section of the stream clear of weeds. There was some debate about who the riparian owners were and the Clerk confirmed that she had spoken to the Environment Agency and they have no records of the riparian owners of any river or stream in Dorset. It was suggested that it may be necessary for the Parish Council to organise a group of villagers to get clear the stream if the situation does not improve.

118 <u>Allotments (Min.78 – 14.09.11)</u>

Cllr Hopper reported that a Steering Group Meeting would be taking place on Tuesday 22 November 2011 at the Royal Oak at 7.00pm to put together an Action Plan and he would report back following that meeting.

119 <u>Digital Switchover</u>

The Clerk submitted for information an email dated 25 October 2011 from DT11 Forum a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book.

The email gave detail of the planned digital switchover in March 2012 and the Switchover Community Supporter scheme. It asked Parish Councils to make isolated or vulnerable people in their community aware of the scheme and The Reporter offered to include information in their next edition.

120 Olympic Torch

The Clerk submitted for information an email dated 7 November 2011 from Cllr Somper a copy of which appears as Appendix H in the Minute Book.

The email gave details of the Olympic Torch which would be travelling through the village on the morning of 12 July 2012.

121 <u>Cheque Schedule</u>

The Cheque Schedule for November was circulated - see Appendix I to these Minutes.

RESOLVED that the cheques on the Cheques Schedule for November totalling £193.37be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 21:00	
Signed:	
Chairman of the Council	Dated :

PUBLIC SESSION NOTES

Action

White van parked at the junction of The Causeway causing an obstruction

Report to Police