

# STUDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Studland Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Studland, on Monday 15 August 2016 at 7.30pm

### PRESENT:

**Chairman:** P.N. Bowyer

**Councillors:** J. Dyball, A. Parsons, S. Smith, N. Boulter, M. Etherington, P. Hammond

**County Councillor:** M. Lovell

**District Councillor:** N. Dragon

**Representative of National Trust:** E. Wright

**Clerk:** J. Parish

**Public:** 0

**Meeting started:** 7.35pm

1. **Apologies** - Cllr Pilgrim with Cllr Smith to attend 30 minutes late.
2. **Declarations of Interest** - None.
3. **Public Participation Time.** 0
4. **Confirmation of Minutes:**
  - 4.1 - The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 July 2016 were signed as a true and accurate record.
  - 4.2 - The minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 1st August 2016 were signed as a true and accurate record.
5. **National Trust Report** - Matters arising from the National Trust Report circulated on Friday 12 August 2016:
  - It was clarified that the problem at the Coombe is to do with the water run off from the road, causing the culvert to be blocked.
  - It was clarified that the practice of offering of NT membership at the Knoll Beach car park only happens when it is less busy.
  - It was discussed that beach litter bins need emptying late at night so as to avoid vermin from spreading the contents everywhere overnight. NT E. Wright clarified that staff empty the bins last thing before they leave but the problem is that people are staying later at the beach. Cllr Dyball expressed her annoyance at the recent Facebook posts shaming beach users for littering when the mess was largely as a result of bins not being emptied at night and wild animals making the mess.
  - Clarification that SPC needs to communicate with the ferry company about the traffic issues on the ferry road caused in part by cars parking at an angle. It was verified that although the National Trust own the land below the road; the actual road is owned by the ferry company. Cllr Bowyer also pointed out that Natural England have in the past expressed concern about the impact on the Heathland.
  - NT E. Wright to check how many large wheelie bins there are in the South Beach car park, near the Bankes Arms.
  - Cllr Hammond questioned the NT's action to date in relation to combatting the Piri Piri Burr vegetation. NT E. Wright confirmed that NT have tried all 3 methods of dealing with it. Cllr Etherington to follow this up and also Japanese Knott weed at South Beach.
6. **District and County Councillor Reports:**
  - 6.1 - **DISTRICT:**
    - Little to report at this stage with regards to Unitary other than the problem of harmonisation of council tax and also have a knock on effect of other things such as licensing of for example taxis have not been thought through.
    - Cllr Dragon asked the question re: shore defences of what is Studland Parish Council doing about Brownsea Island? It was suggested that Brownsea are suffering with problems of flooding and in addition their management is different being a mix of National Trust (managed by Angela Cott), the John Lewis Partnership and Dorset Wildlife.
    - **RESOLVED** to arrange a meeting with NT Angela Cott and also to arrange for one meeting of the parish council each year to be held at Brownsea Island. ( NB Clerk to check recording)
  - 6.2 - **COUNTY:**
    - Still working on the consultation on Unitary and by November we will know more.
  - 6.3 - County Councillor Lovell did not support the resolution to send reports in advance of the monthly parish council meeting as this would further increase his workload.
7. **Planning:**
  - 7.1 - 6/2016/0443 Ferry Road (Shell Bay Restaurant) Installation of roof Windows **APPROVED**
  - 7.2 - TWA/2016/0107 - Ferry Road (Glen House) - treeworks already approved by PDC.
  - 7.3 - TWA/2016/0111 - School Lane (Knapwynd) Treeworks **NO OBJECTION**
  - 7.4 - TWA/2016/0117 - Beach Road (Sandyholme) **NO OBJECTION**
  - 7.5 - Other planning matters - DCllr Dragon checking if this is up to date as he has seen an application regarding Brownsea Island. SPC to consider this at their planning meeting of 5 September 2016. This raises the concern that a developer could time an application in such a way that it could be missed by SPC.

**Resolved** that any planning items which fall into this timing could be considered by SPC at their monthly Planning Committee meeting.

**8. Crime** - None known.

**9. Highways.**

**9.1** - Church Road footpath - Ask R. Best to address this problem.

**9.2** - The Pig - Problem resolved by The PIG.

**9.3** - Overnight Camper vans on Heathgreen Rd, opposite Banks Cottage - question of doubt over ownership of the land in question and therefore of responsibility - nothing to report.

**9.4** - Uneven ground around the telephone box (ref. no. 1061687) - no further info.

**10. Chairman's Announcements:**

- Chairman Bowyer chaired as an individual a meeting on Community Land Trusts on 4 August 2016 in Langton Matravers village hall. Langton Matravers have **RESOLVED** to form a CLT. To forward the report to members.
- Chairman Bowyer also attended the DAPTC Purbeck Area Meeting and a report has been sent by email to members regarding this.
- Chairman Bowyer attended a useful clerks' and chairmen's meeting at PDC. A report regarding this will be forwarded. Discussed in particular was the Partial Review and the Housing Allocation Consultation.
- NT M. Madgwick requests a meeting with the SPC NT Liaison Committee (the smaller group) to discuss the Parish Council's view on the eventual shape and format and location of the new Middle Beach Cafe.  
**RESOLVED** to meet and for SPC to decide how many people attend but not yet to set a date and link it to information delivery.
- Cllr Parsons refers to the letter from PDC regarding the refusal to SPC nominations of Assets of Community value, and quotes "And I hope that the community enjoys temporary and eventually permanent replacements."
- Cllr Parsons suggests that if the information to be supplied in the answers from NT is insufficient, then we ask NT to attend our next Parish Council meeting.

**11. Clerk's Items and Correspondence.**

- Need to circulate info re: Emergency Response Plan to members.
- Footlights confirmed to be working at Watery Lane but not at Agglestone Road.
- Need to put the cleaning of the Beach Road Public Toilets back out for tender as our current cleaner Derek Wills of Clearview Cleaning has decided to stop cleaning the toilets from end of September 2016.

**12. Reports from Sub-Committees and Working Groups:**

**12.1.1 Middle Beach Update from SPC NT Liaison Committee:** No report produced.

**12.1.2 Resolved** to wait until 25 August 2016 agreed date for replies from NT Ian Wilson. Should the engineers report not be included in the response, then SPC will write to the Charity Commissioner.

**12.2 Middle Beach Update from MBAG:**

- MBAG have had two meetings with MP Richard Drax (one of which was also with NT Ian Wilson). It was clarified that the meeting with the MP regarding the resolution to the NT AGM is as Cllrs as this resolution was agreed by SPC.
  - MBAG have received two letters from MP R. Drax which are supportive of MBAG cause.
  - MBAG are due to meet with the Deputy Chair of the NT Board of Trustees on 31 August 2016. The case for the SPC resolution at the coming NT AGM will be put forward.
  - DCllr Dragon pointed out that according to the Planning records, the gabions were put in originally as a retaining structure and not as sea defences. Cllr Parsons then emphasised that the retaining structure which was removed by the National Trust should have been replaced, and that no one knows why this had not happened.
  - SPC request that MBAG provide a report on progress including their fundraising for the costs of the Engineers Report.
- 13. Housing Allocation Consultation** - to form the SPC response. **Resolved** Cllr Bowyer to respond on SPC behalf to support the status quo on the local connection.

**14. Complaints Procedure** - Cllr Dyball and Clerk to put a draft together.

**15. Training.**

- **PDC Planning Training** - No update from DCllr Dragon.

- **Resolved** clerk to arrange Councillor Training via DAPTC at Studland.

**16. Financial Reports:**

**16.1 ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 31 JULY 2016;** BANK ACCOUNT £21,986.02, SAVINGS ACCOUNT £1,763.74.

**16.2 Resolved to make the following payments:**

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Clerk's Pay - August 2016 - £383.60 Stamps £6.45	390.05
HMRC - August 2016	95.80
Clearview Cleaning - D F Wills	319.02
AON Local Council Insurance Renewal Balance to pay	51.65

R. Best (Gardner)	202.50
E. Wellman (internal audit)	45.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1104.02</b>

### 16.3 Other Financial Business:

- Clerk to claim back VAT not claimed over past years - to address in October due to workload.
- Cllr Dyball reported that it would cost £200 per quarter for BT Line Rental and Internet connection and that the Social Club has agreed to share the cost with SPC and the Village Hall Management Committee. **Resolved** SPC agrees to pay a third share. **Action** Clerk to write to Village Hall Management Committee to propose they pay a third share also.

### 17. Date of Next Meeting:

**SPC Meeting** - Monday 19 September 2016, commencing at 7.30pm

**Planning Committee Meeting** - Monday 5 October 2016, commencing at 7.30pm

**Agreed** to revisit agenda item 12.1 re: PDC refusal response of Community Assets.

Cllr Bowyer: "The communication received does not accurately reflect a decision on criteria associated with Community Assets. If you look at it Community Assets include businesses and what I objected to when I read through first of all was the inference, there was a very narrow focus behind the business and anything else broader than that narrow focus was not to be considered. Modern thinking and I'm sure you will confirm this indicates that all organisations including businesses have to scope out something more than just a very simple let's make as much money as possible so you could argue that many organisations/many businesses can have a community dimension to them and I do think that the officer has been unduly severe in interpreting that criteria and having said that and I think I communicated this in email this morning has followed through the pattern of PDC which is basically to refuse applications because they wish to refuse them and the only one that has been successful is Langton Matravers listing their village hall and I'm informed by persons at Langton Matravers Parish Council that they had to be very very persistent to get that. So I think we have a problem in that I think PDC have a very rigid interpretation of that."

Cllr Parsons emphasises that the localism act allows a more fluid interpretation and then quotes section 88 of the Localism Act; "Further the social well-being or social interests of the local community".

**Resolved** Chairman/Clerk to write to PDC expressing dissent and arguing that from our reading of the Act, it has not been correctly administered. showing disappointment in the decision and also question the last statement.

**Resolved** Cllr Parsons write to Dpt. of Communities and Local Government re: failure of PDC to administer the provision correctly according to the criteria and in addition the lack of provision in the Localism Act for nominees to appeal.

Meeting Ended 9.35pm

Chairman..... Date.....

Josephine Parish - Parish Clerk  
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