



# MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Full Council held at the Village Hall, Milborne St Andrew  
on Wednesday 03<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 commencing at 1900 hours**

**Present:**

**Cllr's Richard Macnair, Amy Stephens, Jane Macleod**

4 members of the public  
Cllr Emma Parker (DC)

**Full Council**

**1. Apologies for absence**

Cllr's Batchelor, Williams, and Greening sent apologies.

**2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest**

No declarations were made.

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 06<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**4. Clerk's report**

The Clerk updated on actions from the previous meeting, correspondence, and other matters.

**5. Chair's update**

The Chair had spoken to the Dorset Council enforcement team, who confirmed that the unsafe building on the A354 / Milton Road would be a criminal not a civil matter if not repaired. It was mentioned that the works to make the property safe were expected to be complete (and barriers removed) by the end of January 2024.

The Chair had also contacted Wessex Water as to a potential sewage flood water infiltration on the Causeway.

It was suggested that any concerns continued to be raised to Wessex Water.

**6. Public participation (items on the agenda)**

There were no comments at this point.

**7. Parish Councillors and representatives' reports that effect Parish Council matters**

There were no matters to discuss.

**8. Dorset Councillors report**

Cllr Parker reaffirmed the opening of the next Household support fund tranche.

## 9. Planning

### a. P/HOU/2023/07112

**Former Coach House The Old Rectory Chapel Street Milborne St Andrew Dorset DT11 0JP**

**Install roof lights to north elevation**

The Parish Council supported this application.

## 10. Financial matters

### a. Payments for authorisation

There were **10** payments (**PV's 58-67**), totalling £ **2347.57**, that were approved and authorised for payment.

### b. Q3 budget report

Although the current budget spends sat at 87.81%, the Clerk was content that once the overspend in Community Fund and Community Asset Fund were offset against the specific reserves, that the budget will come out on target.

## 11. Additional purchase of 'Spring into Action' item(s)

Members authorised a further £10 for the purchase of additional fertiliser.

It was mentioned that crocus bulbs were already planted around the entrance to the Sports Club.

## 12. Setting the Precept for 24/25

The Clerk confirmed that no additional budgetary factors had been received, so further to the briefing at the December meeting, it was recommended to Full Council that a Precept of £14,750 be raised.

This would mean an average increase of £3.01 on the average band D property – per year.

**This was unanimously agreed.**

## 13. Public participation (items not on the agenda) – for discussion only

A parishioner expressed their displeasure that he felt the village was 'going backwards' over recent years. Items included the closure of the Post Office and removal of trees.

The Chair explained these were not matters under the jurisdiction of the Parish Council, but Cllr Parker offered investigate the matter relating to the loss of a tree c. 2018 in Stileham Bank.

## 14. Items for the next meeting

Update on Village gateways

Annual Village Litter Pick

## 15. Date of next meeting

**07<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Milborne St Andrew Village Hall at 7pm**

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 1958 hours.**

**Richard Macnair** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chair to the Milborne St Andrew Parish Council**