

# MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on: 17/02/2016 at: 19:30

Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman)  
Cllr Karen Park  
Cllr Joy Robinson  
Cllr Philip Smith

In attendance: Mr Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk)  
7 members of the public

Before the start of the meeting the Chairman agreed to alter the running order of the agenda to accommodate individuals' requests. Item 9 would be considered after item 3 and 13 after 8.

## 114 Apologies

Cllr Sue Cherry  
Cllr Sarah Fox  
NDDC Cllr Emma Parker  
NDDC Cllr Jane Somper

## 115 Declarations of Interest

None

## 116 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016

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

## 117 S137 Grant Application

Members considered a request for financial assistance from the village Youth Club, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book, to replace their storage shed. They heard that the club would be contributing almost half the required funds but needed help to raise the other £400.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Park  
For: Cllrs Balcon, Park, Robinson  
Against: Cllr Smith

**RESOLVED** by a majority of 3 votes to 1 to approve the grant.

## 118 County & District Councillors' Reports

None received.

## 119 Parish Council Representatives' Reports

- a. Cllr Robinson reported there is one new Homewatch member. The Chairman reported she had received complaints regarding parking close to junctions and on the pavement and asked Cllr Robinson to liaise with the local PCSO on the matter.
- b. The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Group, Mr. Michael Hopper, reported on plans for the proposed Action Day 5<sup>th</sup> March. The professional consultant who has been employed by the group to advise will hold an initial briefing before attendees break out into groups around the village. The consultant will then collate reports and notes from the groups to compile a report.
- c. The Flood warden, Mr. Steve Lord, briefed members on the successful installation and running of the pump which is held in reserve during periods of flood warning for use in MSA. It was used in Milton Rd to clear flood water that had built up over a prolonged period of rainfall. He then went on to advise that Highways are conducting a survey to make minor adjustments to the drainage work recently carried out in Milton Rd, which are

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proving necessary in the light of experience. He also wanted to make it clear that the silting of the stream is nothing to do with the lake at Milton Abbas but is a consequence of Wessex Water pumping out their borehole at certain times to reduce nitrate levels in the water supply. WW have agreed to make alterations to their pumping out site and procedures to significantly reduce the pressure of the outflow and thus reduce turbidity which was causing the silting up.

Finally, the Flood Warden requested the Parish Council purchase 2 Hi-Viz jackets for the use of himself and his deputy when undertaking Warden duties, at a total cost of £67.82 inc. VAT.

Members were reminded that they have a duty of care towards anyone carrying out activities on the Parish Council's behalf, whether paid employees or volunteers.

Proposed Cllr Balcon, Seconded Cllr Park  
For: Cllrs Balcon, Park, Robinson  
Against: Cllr Smith

**RESOLVED** by a majority of 3 votes to 1 to approve the request.

### 120 Public Session Feedback

The Clerk read an email, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book, sent by the DCC planning case officer for the storage lagoon on Dorchester Hill, in response to a query raised at last month's meeting. As a result of subsequent information received by a member of the public further enquiries have been made with the planners.

The Chairman announced that a meeting would be taking place soon to discuss arrangements for celebrating the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in the village.

### 121 Correspondence

A report by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book, was noted. The Chairman referred to a letter received from the Lord Lieutenant of Dorset requesting that beacons be lit for the Queen's 90th birthday. To be investigated further.

### 122 Planning Applications

Planning application: 2/2016/0074/HOUSE – 6 Homefield, Milborne St Andrew DT11 0JT  
Proposal: erect porch and install one dormer and one roof light to front elevation.

Members had no objections to this application, a copy of which appears as Appendix D of the Minute Book.

### 123 Carbon Neutral Community

Members considered an email from Mr. Richard Lock entitled Milborne's 20:20 Vision, a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book.

An interesting discussion ensued with contributions from both councillors and the public present. The Chairman requested Mr. Lock to take the lead in putting together some specific ideas which could be taken up by not only the Parish Council but other organisations in the village.

### 124 Sand Hopper

At a previous meeting it had been suggested that the council consider purchasing a sand hopper to assist with the filling of sandbags, the Flood Warden was asked to investigate and supply details of cost.

After considering the cost of purchasing this item, a copy of which appears as Appendix F of the Minute Book, members concluded it was not a cost effective measure to take.



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### 125 Parish Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016

The Clerk reported that a representative from SSE's Customer and Community Advisors team has confirmed he will attend the Parish Meeting to give a brief on how the team can assist during a power cut. He also agreed to give a practical demonstration of the team's welfare vehicle which would provide hot snacks and drinks during a power cut.

Cllr Robinson announced that she would put together a report for the meeting on the benefits of providing a publicly accessible defibrillator for use by a response team of trained parishioners in the event of an emergency.

The Clerk undertook to include both presentations in a flyer for the meeting which could be published in the Reporter and on the Parish Council website and noticeboards.

### 126 Calendar of Meetings 2016-17

The Clerk presented a proposed list of dates for meetings 2016-17, a copy of which appears as Appendix G of the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** to approve the dates for Parish Council meetings 2016-17.

### 127 Cheque Signatories

Following Cllr Smith's decision not to continue as a cheque signatory Cllr Park volunteered to take his place.

**RESOLVED** that Cllr Park be added to the list of authorised signatories to the Parish Council bank account.

### 128 Cheque Schedule

The Cheque Schedule and addendum for February were circulated, a copy of which appears as Appendix H of the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that the Cheque Schedule and addendum for February totalling £891.25 be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 21:00 hrs.

Signed :

*Vice*

Chairman of the Council

Dated :

*16/3/16*

### *PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTES*

*A query was raised regarding the recent drainage works in Milton Rd and The Causeway and the ongoing need for a pump to be retained and used to clear floodwater*

### *Action*

*The Clerk explained that the drainage and pump were working in accordance with the approved scheme. As reported by the Flood Warden some adjustments are likely to be made after a survey is completed by Highways.*