# Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug 2019

#### **Councillors Present:**

Mrs D Wiltshire (DW)(Chairman)
Mr M Usherwood (MU)
Mr D Read (DR)
Mrs A Bennett (AB)
Mrs K Delafield (KD)
Mr P Jeffery (PJ)
Mr B Carter (BC)
Mr N Hallett (NH)

Mrs M Harding (Clerk) Roland Tarr - Dorset Councillor

**Apologies:** Mrs V Cardall (VC) 8 members of public

**2019/08-1 Welcome, housekeeping and to receive any apologies for absence,** emergency exits noted, apologies were received and recorded

2019/08-2 To receive declarations of interest and grants of dispensation-none

2019/08-3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 31st July 2019

Proposed AB Seconded MU Resolved

2019/08-4 Matters arising from the minutes for info only -none

2019/08-5 Democratic forum 15 minutes - none

2019/08-6 To consider all correspondence received for decision, consultation and information (see list)-Items for noting:

- a. There have been issues with someone defecating in the bus shelter, this has very kindly been cleared up and the bus shelter cleaned by local residents. This was reported to the PCSO and signage has been placed in the Bus shelter, the situation is being monitored.
- b. Cllrs were invited to the Best Village Competition evening, Cllrs N Hallett and D Wiltshire will attend.
- c. Weed clearance from the edge of the stream has been agreed with the contractor for the week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> September.

## 2019/08-7 To consider the PC email addresses/domain

The Clerk had gathered quotes and suggested domains using one.com for a .org email. This is to ensure the Council comply with GDPR using dedicated PC email addresses and for professionalism. Cllrs would rather have a.gov.uk email address and approval is required for this, Clerk to follow up

## 2019/08-8 Finance

i. To consider the finance report of payments and receipts:

Payee	Detail	Amount	
Payments for approval in Aug			
Staff Salaries	Salary	£172.60	
HMRC	PAYE	£38.00	
Jon Buddle	Grass cutting	£30.00	

All payments were made in line with internal controls

Bank balances as at 28th Aug 2019-£13171.51

Proposed DR Seconded MU Resolved

#### 2019/08-9 Planning Consultations-

To give consideration to Planning matters-

i. WD/D/19/001792, Well Cottage, 2 Park Farm Close, Martinstown- Erection of retaining wall to rear garden (retrospective) No objections

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- ii. WD/D/19/001775, Land North of Park Farm Close- Develop land by the erection of 5 dwellings, outline planning application to determine access and layout -the PC supported the application
- iii. To consider any other planning/ enforcement or ongoing issues- KD asked if the PC would consider a Neighbourhood Plan- MU who has had experience in another parish with a NP in a previous village explained that it is a lot of work and takes up to 2 years to complete, The Clerk also commented that she has been involved in one completed NP and that one of her current parishes has commenced a NP and has been awarded £7500 of grant funding towards the plan, this will be on the October agenda with further information.

## 2019/08-10 Highways, Countryside & ROW:

- i. To update on progress with the issues of parking and litter outside the MacDonald's site (MU/KD) MU reported on the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> August with Highways, MacDonald's and our Dorset Councillor as Highways' England and MacDonald's had met the previous day to discuss the issues. There had been very positive feedback from all parties, each party had actions to take back but in the short term some quick wins had been suggested to be carried out by Highways but this required permission from the Dorset Council. Cllr Roland Tarr would be speaking to the local land owners to gather feedback and Highways England were looking into the land ownership in the area. Cllrs commented that if there is poor parking and the highway is obstructed then this is a police matter.
- ii. To discuss the feedback from the river clearance letter sent to the riparian owners- The PC had received responses from residents on the clearance, concerns were raised on the impact of the wildlife and doesn't want their section cleared, the other complaint was regarding overgrown vegetation and trees on the bank, this would need to be looked into further to consider the land ownership, the Clerk will contact Becky Brookman the Flood officer for Dorset Council to gather further advice.
  - The works to clear the weed from the banks are planned for the week after Dorchester Show, Cllrs will record how many riparian owners have cleared their sections prior to the weed being collected.

#### iii. To consider any other highways issues

It was reported that tractors are damaging the verges and banks along Goulds Hill. Those areas affected will be reported to highways. A mirror was requested on the junction near the Cricket Pitch, it was explained that Highways no longer support mirrors on the highway but installed on private land is accepted.

KD reported that the cutting season is coming to a close and there had not been 7 cuts through the village, the PC will ask countryside what the policy is if the number of cuts has not been completed.

#### 2019/08-11 To receive reports from:

- i. The footpath Liaison Officers- David Ackerley (RoW) had reported that as the bridleway was not DC property they were not concerned about use by tractors as any permission would come from the landowners. A Dog Poo sign had been stolen that AB had installed, the style by the turkey sheds is need of repair AB to report.
- ii. Waste watch representatives- none.
- iii. Village Hall representatives- none.
- iv. Winterbourne Community Fund (was the Blanchard Trust)- none
- v. PCSO matters- none
- vi. Speed Indicator Device report-

SID data 17<sup>th</sup> July 26th Aug- Total number of speed readings taken = 150,536

Average Recorded Speed = 34mph

>30mph = 54,870

>40mph = 2555

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>50mph = 88

>60mph = 7

Top recorded speeds:

64 mph (27/7/2019 10:04 PM)

62 mph (18/7/2019 7:00 PM)

62 mph (6/8/2019 2:35 PM)

61 mph (26/7/2019 11:46 PM)

61 mph (20/7/2019 4:05 PM)

Note: Number of speed readings does not equal number of vehicles.

Slower moving vehicles record more speed measurements than slower moving vehicles.

A vehicle travelling at 30mph will record 3 or 4 measurements, vs a vehicle moving at 50mph

Cllrs asked if the SID is making a difference to the village speeds, the recordings do seem to have reduced over the period that the SID has been in use. The PC asked if 30mph roundels could be installed where the speed is reduced.

- vii. DAPTC-the new financial regulations are now available- to be considered at the October meeting
- viii. Flood Warden- None- Cllrs asked the Clerk to contact the SWFAG to see if they still help residents in the village.

### 2019/08-12 To receive a report on amenity matters-

- i. The new sign for the Washingpool had arrived for all to view at the meeting, MU will install it on an oak post.
- ii. There has been a small amount of profit from the sale of the Book of Martinstown, this will be used for the benefit of the village, it was suggested that a new finger post could be put in place to point towards the Washingpool or possibly the publication of a village walk showing the points of interest in the village for visitors. Further funds could be made available from the Waste watch fund, AB and MU would look into this and ask the author of the Book to design the publication. It was also suggested that the "Men's Shed Group" could be contacted to assist in making the sign.
- **iii.** Trees on the green- it has been reported that one of the trees has a fungus, Clerk to contact the tree officer for advice.

## 2019/08-13 Items for the Parish Council meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Budget, Financial regs, Neighbourhood Plan

## 2019/08-14 Democratic forum 15 minutes

A resident requested a mirror to access the main road from Hope terrace, the resident was advised that highways do not support mirrors unless they are on private property. The Clerk was asked if she had been able to access all the old PC documents, it was noted that this is ongoing.

Meeting closed 8.30pm

Cllr Debbie Wiltshire (*Chairman*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

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