


MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on: 21/09/2016 at 19:30hrs		Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall	
Present:	Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman) Cllr Sue Cherry Cllr Fox (Vice Chairman) Cllr Joy Robinson Cllr Philip Smith		
In attendance:	Mr Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk) 9 members of the public		
<p>Before the start of the meeting the Chairman agreed to allow NDDC Cllr Somper to address the meeting regarding the consultation on unitary proposals for Dorset, as she had to leave early to attend another meeting. Cllr Somper gave a brief resume of the financial pressures facing the existing local government organisation in the county and went through the 4 options for the future as outlined in the consultation, together with the financial implications for each option. The councillor went on to promote the 'Reshaping Your Councils' roadshow currently touring the county and encouraged everyone to attend. Finally, Cllr Somper expressed the hope that everyone would take the opportunity to respond to the consultation.</p>			
057	<u>Apologies</u> NDDC Cllr Parker Cllr Park		
058	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> Cllr Robinson declared an interest in agenda item 8.1 – tree works at The Nest, Milton Rd.		
059	<u>Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held 17th August 2016</u> RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings be confirmed and signed as a correct record.		
060	<u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u> It was reported by the Chairman that the carpenter approached by the Clerk was unable to take on the work required to repair the Milton Rd noticeboard, therefore a notice has gone into the October Reporter asking if anyone can help identify a suitable person to approach.		
061	<u>County & District Councillors' Reports</u> NDDC Cllr Somper gave her report before the start of the meeting.		
062	<u>Parish Council Members and Representatives' Reports</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A car abandoned in the Village Hall car park has been reported to the police.2. It was suggested that the Dorset Watch reporting system is not working as recent break-ins in the village had not been reported – Cllr Robinson agreed to contact PCSO Goddard.3. It was reported that the Neighbourhood Planning Group questionnaire had generated well over 200 responses, which were being analysed in the hope that a report will be forthcoming shortly.		
063	<u>Correspondence</u>		

	A report by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book, was noted.
064	<p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <p>2/2016/1277/CATREE - The Nest, Milton Rd, Milborne St Andrew – various tree works. The council had no comments to record on this application.</p> <p>2/2016/1231/FUL – 24 & 25 Bagber Cottages, Milborne St Andrew – demolish remains of fire damaged dwellings and erect 2 no. replacement dwellings. The council had no comments to record on this application</p>
065	<p><u>Sports Club</u></p> <p>Mr Richard Lock, Chairman of the MSA Sports Club made a report to the council regarding the troubled finances of the club and the difficult financial situation the club now finds itself in, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book. He concluded his report by requesting that the council considers making a grant to the club of £900 and suspending the club's quarterly payments to the council for an unspecified period of time. The Clerk appraised members of the effect on the 2016-17 budgeted income of suspending payments. After much discussion it was decided not to give a grant or suspend quarterly payments. The Chairman summed up the mood of the council by requesting formal accounts for at least the last 2 years and a list of the club's trustees be presented before any grant is considered.</p> <p>RESOLVED not to make a grant to the MSA Sports Club. RESOLVED not to suspend the MSA Sports Club's quarterly payments to the council.</p>
066	<p><u>External Audit</u></p> <p>The Clerk presented the external auditor's certificate and report, which had no issues or concerns raised, a copy of which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book.</p> <p>RESOLVED to receive the report of the external auditor for financial year 2015-16.</p>
067	<p><u>Appointment of Internal Auditor</u></p> <p>The Clerk presented to members 3 quotations from potential internal auditors for their consideration, copies of which appear as Appendix D of the Minute Book</p> <p>RESOLVED to appoint Darkin Miller – Chartered Accountants as the council's internal auditor for 2016-17 and the following two financial years.</p>
068	<p><u>Reshaping Your Councils Consultation</u></p> <p>Prior to the meeting members had been distributed with the background briefing document 'Reshaping Your Councils', a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book, which was used as the basis for completing the Town and Parish Council's survey on the proposals for reorganising the County and District councils in Dorset. A copy of the council's completed survey can be found at Appendix F of the Minute Book.</p>
069	<p><u>Working Together With Highways</u></p> <p>The 3 options for collaborative working with DCC Highways, outlined in the document 'Working Together with Highways', a copy of which appears as Appendix G of the Minute Book were explored by members. It was felt that more information on the detailed workings of Highways in the Parish area would be required before any consideration could be given to the proposals. The Clerk undertook to get further clarification.</p>

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070	<u>DAPTC AGM</u>	
	It was agreed that Cllr Balcon, Chairman and Cllr Cherry would represent the council at this year's DAPTC AGM on Saturday 5 th November.	
071	<u>Cheque Schedule</u>	
	The Cheque Schedule for September was circulated, a copy of which appears as Appendix H of the Minute Book.	
	RESOLVED that the Cheque Schedule for September totalling £632.51 be approved and the cheques signed.	
	The meeting closed at 21:00 hrs.	
	Signed:	
		
	Chairman of the Council	Dated: 19. 10. 16
	<u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTES</u>	<u>Action</u>
	Complaints were received concerning cars parking on the pavements, causing pedestrians to walk on the road to get around them.	Consideration is being given to producing and distributing 'Polite Notices' to offenders.
	Complaints were received about vegetation from certain properties overhanging pavements and roads, causing a hazard to pedestrians and road users alike.	The Clerk undertook to take action.
	It was reported that the footpath between Alners Drive and Stileham Bank is badly overgrown.	The Clerk undertook to take action