

Minutes of the Winterborne St Martin Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018.

Present: -

Parish councillors, Mrs D. Wiltshire, Mr M. Usherwood, Mr M. Hall, Mrs A. Bennett, Mr D. Read, and Mr S. Slade (Clerk).

Mr R. Freeman (District Councillor) together with three members of the public.

### **Democratic Period commenced at 7.00pm**

Matters raised and responses given were:-

- i. The Washing-pool. A further meeting had been held at with officers from DCC. The DCC workmen will now carry out the work to re-point the stonework.
- ii. Wild Hemlock. A note is to be included in a future issue of the Valley and Valence Magazine to inform of the danger of this plant if eaten by dogs or other animals.
- iii. The chairman informed that she had had a letter of apology from Mr I. Shaw which indicated that he would be unable to attend many future meetings of the Parish Council following the change in the start time of meetings.
- iv. A letter from a resident concerning the Elder tree near the Wash-pool was read and the content noted. Appropriate action will be taken to address the matter of this tree in conjunction with DCC who are carrying out the work to repair the structure.

### **The Parish Council meeting commenced at 7.15 pm.**

Parish councillors present as recorded for the Democratic Period above.

Apologies tendered on behalf of: - Mr P. Jeffery and Mrs J. Dunseith (County Councillor)

### **Declaration of interests.**

Members were reminded that it was their responsibility to declare any interests, personal or prejudicial, in items set out on the agenda and to disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in accordance with appendix A and Appendix B of the register of members interests in accordance with the Council's Code of the members registration of interests on any items set out on the agenda

### **1. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR.**

The clerk read a letter from Mr J. Walker which informed that he had decided to resign from the Parish Council with immediate effect. His work commitments made it impossible to attend meetings now that they commenced at 7.00pm. A letter will be sent to him thanking him for his work as a Parish Councillor for several years.

### **2. MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Parish Office, Winterborne St Martin on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 had been circulated to all members.

Proposed by Mr M. Hall and seconded by Mr M. Usherwood

### **Resolved**

That the minutes as amended be signed as a true and correct record.

### **3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES.**

- i. An officer from Magna Housing had been thanked for organising the clearing of the weed growth from the South Winterbourne stream which runs along the frontage of Magna property in Manor Grove.
- ii. The visibility to the east when exiting from Blagdon Close is obscured by an over hanging hedge. The clerk had been in contact with the owner of the Village Green who is investigating to try to find the legal owner of this hedge.
- iii. The matter of giving financial support to the revised Book of Martinstown will be considered when further information is available.

**4. FINANCIAL MATTERS.**

a. The Council approved the following payment: -  
K. Damen grass cutting..... £ 50.00

*The items recorded in the expenses record attached to the minutes were at the meeting.*

b. Receipts since the last meeting: -  
None received.

c. Funds in the Parish Council Account.

The clerk reported that the balance of £13,066.84 was held in the Parish Council Account and reconciled to bank statement No11 dated 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018). Noted.

d. Expenditure and Income Statement.

The clerk provided members with a copy of the expenditure and income of the Parish Council since the last meeting. This was discussed and amended as follows: -

- i. Proposed by Mr M. Usherwood and seconded by Mr M.Hall  
**Resolved that the DAPTC Training Budget be increased to £300.00 by transfer of £200.00 from the SID sign budget.**
- ii. Noted that a sum of £1000.00 is included in the ring-fenced budget for future election costs.
- iii. Maintenance budget description to include the Wash-pool.

Proposed by Mrs A. Bennett and seconded by Mr D. Read

**Resolved that the amendments to the expenditure and income statement be approved and an up-dated copy of the statement will be included and sent-out with the minutes in future.**

**5. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS.**

Mr Hall gave a further up-date on these regulations as they related to the Parish Council. DAPTC had provided some help in this regard. All amendments to the council's policies, procedures and standing orders had been dealt with to encompass these amendments.

Proposed by Mr M. Hall and seconded by Mr M. Usherwood

**Resolved that all these amendments be included in the Council's various policies and a copy is provided for the clerk.**

**6. PLANNING MATTERS.**

*A. Comments made on Planning Applications during the interim period since the last meeting.*

None reported.

i. WD/D/18/001111. Erect livestock building and three stables on land at Monkton Lane. No objections.

ii. WD/D/18/001215. Alterations to Goldcombe Farm Cottage. No objections.

*B. Matters considered at the meeting.*

The phone mast located on land at M.J.Fry site had not yet been switched on.

*C. Matters considered by WDDC.*

None reported.

*D. Matters considered by the Planning Inspectorate.*

None reported.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS RAISED.**

a. The Local Government Boundary Commission draft recommendations on the new electoral arrangements for Dorset Council were reported. Members were apprised of this information and noted the proposed changes. No comments were made but members could make their own comments if they so wished.

b. The date for the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting will be 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The village Hall will be booked for as the venue for this meeting.

*D. Read*

**8. FOOTPATH REPORT.**

Footpaths are generally in a reasonable condition. A report that dog mess is being left on footpaths and surrounding areas was received. It was agreed that the WDDC Dog Warden will be asked to take appropriate action to inform owners to clear-up mess left by their dogs. A note in this regard will be included in a future issue of the Valley and Valence Magazine.

**9. COMMUNICATIONS.**

No report.

**10. PCSO MATTERS.**

There is now only one PCSO for the village. She is generally present in the village on the second Wednesday each month as her other duties permit. Contact regarding matters that fall within her area of responsibility may be reported via the 101 telephone service.

**11. WASTE WATCH.**

More volunteers are required to collect the newspapers from the bins and take them to the garage store at Church Farm.

**12 VILLAGE HALL**

A problem with rats was reported.

**13. BLANCHARD CHARITY.**

No report.

**14. COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH.**

No recent local speed watch exercise had taken place. The "No Excuse Vehicle" had been stationed at various locations in the village with good effect.

**15. DAPTC MATTERS.**

It was reported that the post holding the SID sign at Mallards Green had been knocked over. This had been reported to DCC. It was hoped that the post will be reposition shortly. Mr Usherwood was thanked for moving the SID onto the post opposite the damaged one.

**16. AMENITY MATTERS.**

The Notice Board at Mallards Green requires repair. Mr M. Usherwood agreed to carry out the necessary work.

Mr Usherwood was thanked for repairing the seat in the bus shelter.

**17. FLOOD WARDEN MATTERS.**

It was again reported that a copy of the responsibility of Riparian Owners regarding stream cleaning will be re-published in the Valley and Valence Magazine for information of new residents of property fronting the South Winterbourne stream. The classification of the South Winterbourne stream has not changed.

**18. TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS.**

Oliver Letwin MP has agreed to meet representatives from Parish Council's in the area to discuss the problem of large vehicles travelling along roads in the area transporting slurry and feedstuff to and from farms in the area. The clerk will organise such a meeting.

**19. PUBLIC TRANSPORT.**

Information was received from a representative of the Village Transport Group informing of the possible re-tendering for the local bus service contract. This is due to take place in the near future and could include a change in the route for this service to include Martinstown. The clerk had written to Mrs Dunseith to seek her help in this regard.

local bus service refers to no 6 service

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**20. PARKING ON THE C53 ROAD NEAR MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT.**

The clerk had written to Mrs Dunseith to seek her help to try to improve the parking for this facility.

**21. NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

This will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in the Parish Office starting at **7.00pm.**

**22. CLOSURE OF MEETING.**

The meeting was closed at 9.53 pm.

*David B* ..... Chairman

Date. *29-8-2018* .....

**EXPENDITURE**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>SPEND TO DATE</b>	<b>APPROVED AT MEETING.</b>
DAPTC (Membership)	£ 300.00	£238.54	
DAPTC (Training)	£ 300.00	£110.00	£200.00 from SID budget
Grass Cutting	£ 600.00	£125.00	£50.00
Insurance	£ 600.00	£570.40	
Clerk/HMRC	£2410.00	£602.50	
Internal audit	-	£440.30 + £88.06 (VAT).	
Electric	£ 150.00		
Maintenance/W.pool	£ 500.00		
SID Sign	£ 200.00		
(Reduced to £200 at meeting 23/7/2018. £200.00 transferred to DAPTC Budget)			
River	£ 900.00		
Amenity	£ 100.00		
Contingency	£ 200.00		
Communications	£ 300.00		

**INCOME**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>RECEIVED TO DATE.</b>
B/fwd	£ 10909.75*	£ 10909.75*
Precept	£ 5500.00	£ 2750.00
Hire Room	£ 400.00	£ 678.00
VAT (to date)	£ 88.06	£ 903.89 (from last year).
Rent/parking	£ 880.00	

\* Includes £5000.00 ring-fenced for Village Green work and £1000.00 for election costs.