CERNE VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Cerne Valley Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Thursday 12th September 2019 in Godmanstone Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs J. Barry, G. Bishop, R. Wilkin, C. Crosbie, F. Horsington, S. Beresford, J. Bolt, C. Heron and C. Paul.

Cllr Haynes (DC)
3 members of the public

1. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Vickers, Keating and Baggaley sent apologises.

2. Declarations of pecuniary and other interests

Cllr Paul declared an interest in item 13.

Cllr Bishop declared an interest in item 12.

Cllr Horsington declared an interest in item 8a.

3. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th July 2019

This were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman. A couple of minor grammatical changes were made.

4. Issues arising from previous meeting

The Clerk declared that the closure of the Nationwide account had yet to occur as a suitable time had not yet arisen.

5. Update from the Chairman

The Chairman confirmed that the review of the Giants View Car Park was 'in the system'. The members agreed that this need not be discussed until new correspondence arrived.

6. Public Discussion Period

It was asked when the flood relief channel in Godmanstone would be cleared.

The Clerk would speak to the contractor and landowner.

7. To receive a report from the Dorset Council

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Cllr Haynes spoke on the following subjects	S:
Picnic at the Giant	
DC restructuring	
Climate change	
Community Bus Transport	
Hospitals	
SEN for children and adults	
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Buildings owned by DC, usage or disposal going forward.

Budget overspend in children and adult services

She was also looking into the issue of school transport from the Cerne area.

She had yet to find a suitable answer and would continue to follow up.

Cllr Horsington asked how the budget deficit was likely to be met.

Cllr Haynes commented that for this year they had found budget lines that could be used. It would be more of a challenge for next year.

Cllr Horsington also asked how many children were affected.

Cllr Haynes could only confirm there were 460 in care.

8. To receive committee reports and to agree action(s) in response to proposals and repairs

a. Allotments

A request had been made by a third party about the potential use of the allotment field for the Giants challenge next March.

After a brief discussion it was agreed that this was not a suitable location for car parking due to the nature of the track and potential ground conditions.

b. Burial Ground

It was briefed that a tulip tree had been removed for health and safety reasons and the yews tree had been pruned.

Cllr Bishop asked about the question raised by a member of the public about plastic ribbons tied to the trees. It was agreed this was a matter for the burial ground committee.

The tree surgeons team expressed concerns about the large beech. They recommended an aerial inspection to establish its health.

This was unanimously agreed at a cost of £120.

c. Car Park

Correspondence had been received regarding a Picnic with the Giant from Dorset AONB.

The Clerk would contact Dorset AONB and request they put signage up in the village asking people to park in the Kettle Bridge Car Park.

Slight confusion had arisen regarding the naming of the car park. It was confirmed that going forward it would be referred to as the Kettle Bridge Car Park.

Authority was also given to purchase a new sign to reflect the above.

d. Children's Play Park

Cllr Crosbie confirmed it was looking good. There were no issues.

e. Footpaths and Environment

It was noted that the hawthorns in the Snicket were gone.

Cllr Crosbie mentioned that three stiles at the allotments field, broad mead and the water meadows had been fixed.

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f. Planning

WD/D/19/001760 The Retreat Frys Lane Godmanstone DT2 7AG

The Parish Council took representation from the applicant, agent and a member of the public.

The Parish Council still had reservations over density, size and scale but appreciated all the efforts that the applicant and agent had made to accommodate these concerns. The Clerk would reflect this in the comments to the planning authority.

10. To receive a financial report and authorise payments

The followings payments were authorised:

Lyons Gate Contracting		
Services	1639	282.00
Screwfix	1640	4.99
Castle Gardens	1640	50.00
Direct Plants	1640	11.98
Barker Fox Associates	1641	41.25
Lyons Gate Contracting		
Services	1642	570.00
Hardy Tree Surgeons	1643	930.00
Jack Pomeroy Forestry	1644	450.00
Wayne Lewin	SO	388.74
HMRC	DD	269.28

The Clerk confirmed that the Precept was within budget with a 44.05% spend.

11. National Trust update including finances for new Notice Board

Cllr Wilkin spoke at length about the work he was doing alongside the National Trust, Cerne Abbas Historical Society and Cerne Valley Business Group on the design phase of the new notice board at the Giants View Car Park.

There was much discussion as to the design, specification and cost of the works.

The following resolutions were made:

The Cerne Abbas Historical Society to design the CVPC area of the noticeboard.

This design must be approved by CVPC prior to any production costs.

Three quotes should be obtained.

£1000 was set aside from the General Reserve to cover costs for the CVPC part of the new noticeboard.

Cllr Wilkin was also in discussion with the ranger, National Trust, landowner and Community Interest Groups to ensure the handrails leading to the giant are fixed.

12. Abbey Street parking

Yellow Lines

It was agreed to request these were to be enhanced. Thinner lines if possible.

b. Dropped Kerb

It was to continue with this project. To finance this, the CVPC agreed to match fund with DC.

c. No through road signage

It was decided not to pursue this matter.

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13. C12 speed issues

Serious concerns had been raised as to speed of vehicles on this road.

It was unanimously agreed to request speed wires from DC to establish some data on the matter.

14. Purchase of new laptop

The Clerk confirmed that the lap top was coming close to retirement.

The Parish Council authorised £700 ex VAT to buy a new one.

15. Defibrillator at Cerne Abbas Village Hall

The Village Hall had requested that the Parish Council purchase a new defibrillator for outside the Village Hall which would be deemed a Community Asset.

After a lengthy debate the following resolution was made:

It was agreed that this was a Village Hall project and the Parish Council deemed that the Village Hall has the financial capacity to fund this.

16. Items for the next meeting

Bins outside the Royal Oak Parking in Chescombe Highway maintenance

17. Date(s) of next meeting(s)

Allotments	10 October 2019	On site 1800
Car Park	10 October 2019	On site 1830
Playground	10 October 2019	On site 1900
Finance	07 November 2019	Godmanstone Village Hall 1900
Footpaths and Environment	07 November 2019	Godmanstone Village Hall 2000
Burial Ground	14 November 2019	Cerne Abbas Village Hall 1930
Cerne Valley Parish Council	14 November 2019	Cerne Abbas Village Hall 1930

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2200 hours.

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