



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF EAST STOKE
HELD ON THURSDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2021 AT LONGTHORNS
CAMPSITE

PRESENT	Cllr Rebecca Cady (Chairman) Cllr Neill Child (Vice Chairman) Cllr Tessa Wiltshire Cllr Barry Quinn
APOLOGIES	Cllr Graeme Langley Cllr Chris Evans Cllr Keith Evans
IN ATTENDANCE	1 Member of the Public Dorset Cllr Cherry Brooks Liz Maidment (Parish Clerk)

1. **Public Participation Time**

No comments were made.

2. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Langley. Cllr Chris Evans and Cllr Keith Evans

3. **Granting of Dispensation**

No applications for a dispensation had been made.

4. **Declarations of Interest**

None

5. **Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on Thursday 4th November 2021**

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th November 2021 were approved as a true account.

6. **Matters arising from the minutes**

It was noted that the recruitment shortage is only for HGV drivers rather than across the board.

7. **Planning Applications or Planning Information received**

- a) **P/VOC/2021/04170 - Land at Masters Pit, BH20 7NY.** Variation of condition 15 of planning permission 6/2010/0082 (Erection of 4 wind turbines (windfarm) (up to 125m high to the tip of a rotor blade in a vertical position). Provision of crane hardstandings, substation building, underground cabling, temporary construction compound, new site access tracks and permanent 89.5m high anemometer mast. Form new vehicular access) to change the construction of the base of each turbine).

The Parish Council has no comments or objections.

- b) **P/FUL/2021/03393 - Woodlands Camping Site, Bindon Lane, BH20 6AS.** Temporary retention of 3 static caravans, 1 metal storage container, 1 mobile toilet container and a septic tank for (1 year period from decision).

The Parish Council objects due to them not complying with the enforcement. There are also concerns that the site has become overdeveloped especially as it is in an AONB. It was noted that the septic tank is for one year from the decision, even though it is a permanent structure.

8. Update on Previous Applications or planning information

None received.

9. Update from Dorset Council

- a) The Council is running the annual consultation on the School Admission Arrangements for 2023/2024 with effect from Monday 29th November 2021 to Sunday 23rd January 2022.
- b) The new housing application system is now live. People who have missed the deadline will now have to re-register.
- c) The proposed closure of Church Lane will be from 10th January to 11th February 2022. The road closure is required to undertake essential maintenance on several structures on Church Lane safely. It was confirmed that residents of Manor Lane will still be able to access their properties.
- d) Meetings are now being conducted in County Hall however a hybrid system is in place as the room is not large enough to fit in all of the councillors due to the social distancing requirements.
- e) With the new Omicron variant it needs to be contained otherwise there is a high risk that it will spread rapidly. Two hospitals have declared that they are on the highest level alert which is classed as a "Serious Incident" whereby some elective procedures have been cancelled. People are being encouraged to have booster jabs and to continue to maintain social distancing where possible.

10. Police issues to report or update on issues reported

There was a report of people acting suspiciously in a Mercedes G Wagon as they were looking around and asking if machinery were for sale.

11. Noticeboard for the Farrer Estate

The noticeboard will be completed over the Christmas holidays.

12. Hethfelton Wood update

The motorcycle event (Dorset Enduro) will take place on Sunday 12th December with practising taking place the day before. People have been forewarned that the motorbikes will be travelling at speed and to avoid using Hethfelton Forest that weekend.

13. Possible expansion of ESWCC Fund.

ESWCC no longer has the grant money directly transferred over by Good Energy but instead, it is managed by Grantscape. They are a charity that specialises in grant-making, and they oversee and monitor the progress of lots of community funds. The Chief Executive normally attends ESWCC meetings but unfortunately, he was unable to go to the November meeting. He did, however, say that as the Alaska Wind Farm is a 9.2MW development the grant could be £45K per year (£5,000 per MW is the normal value based on an industry standard). However, given the planning application dates back several years it may well be a lower amount. It was discussed that the Dorset Scouts are now classed as a beneficiary as their campsite is located on the other side of Puddletown Road. Although this will probably not affect the community fund. It was agreed that Will Bond should be invited to the next meeting to discuss the way forward. **Action:** The Clerk to contact Will Bond.

14. Churchyard update

Tim Lee has cut back the conifer hedge and it is now ready for the rest of the fence to be installed. There is a consultation being run on plot sizes as there is an issue with chemicals seeping into waterways. **Action:** The Clerk to contact

George Barnes to conduct the work.

15. Bin Collections

Church Lane was missed on 2nd December. Cllr Miller is currently investigating ways of resolving the issues. The Parish Council has made a formal complaint to the Chief Executive of Dorset Council. The email has been acknowledged and awaiting a response.

16. Highways Issues

a) Update on issues reported

No updates.

b) Community Speed Indicator Device Programme

The survey has been running for approximately 2 weeks. It was noted that the speed camera has been sprayed with red paint. **Action:** The Clerk to contact the Road Safety Officer

c) Other Issues

No other issues were reported.

17. Consultations for consideration or New Items for Discussion/Consideration

a) #LetsTalkLibraries. The consultation will be a conversation with communities, employees and partners, to better understand what they value and need from the service, now and in the future. Closes 7th January. **Noted.**

b) Annual Residents' Survey 2021. The residents' survey is important to help Dorset Council understand residents' priorities and experiences and will help them make improvements to council services. Closes 14th January. **Noted.**

c) Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) Consultation. A PSPO allows councils to impose restrictions on the use of specific areas. They intend to help ensure that the public can use and enjoy public spaces, safe from anti-social behaviour. The proposals include six PSPOs which are set at town level and the remaining two PSPOs outline new restrictions on camping on beaches and measures to help prevent wildfires. This would prohibit the lighting of fires and other actions which could cause wildfire in specific areas. Closes 13th January. **Noted.**

18. Correspondence Received

a) Free trees for planting projects - East Stoke Parish Council, Dorset. They generally supply a minimum of 150 trees. **Noted.**

b) Letter to Dorset Council - Local Plan and Planning Matters. This is regarding the level of engagement of member councils over the Local Plan and then changes to certain procedures in the Planning Team that have caused issues with a number of Parish Councils. **Noted.**

c) Working Together Webinar 9th November 4:30pm - Libraries Consultation by Dorset Council d) DAPTC E-News 5th November 2021. The deadline for the precept submission is 31st January. **e) Disruption to cash payments in Dorset Council car parks.** This was a temporary fault that was resolved within 48 hours. **Noted.**

d) Dorset Council Blue Badge Car Park Charging Policy. Formation of a group to discuss the new policy. Responses are required by Friday 26th November. **Noted.**

e) DAPTC E-News 12th November 2021. There was a series of webinars between Dorset Council and DAPTC entitled 'Working Together. **Noted.**

f) Latest news from Dorset Council, Friday 12 November. This includes how Dorset Council are spending £19m to make their buildings greener and cleaner. **Noted.**

- g) Citizens Advice Annual Review. The review covers both East Dorset and the Purbeck Offices. j) Children's Services. The Children's Services at Dorset Council have been judged as "Good" by Ofsted. **Noted.**
- h) DAPTC E-News 19th November 2021. NALC, SLCC and One Voice Wales have joined all of the 40+ county associations to try and improve standards across the parish and town council tier. l) Latest news from Dorset Council, Friday 19 November. Information on how to stay well this winter. **Noted.**
- i) Advance notice of DAYTIME eastbound closure - A35 Puddletown bypass Mon 29 Nov. The road will be closed between the Northbrook and Tolpuddle Ball junctions on the eastbound side only (towards Bere Regis). The westbound carriageway towards Dorchester will not be affected. **Noted.**

19. Finance

- a) **The following receipt was noted**
CIL Parish Payment. 6/2019/0090 Kemps Country House, BH20 6AL
£485.44

To be queried due to the low amount.
- b) **The following payments were duly approved and will be paid electronically. Cllr Child and Cllr Cady to approve the payments.**

	Amount
Miss E Maidment Salary	£226.91
Dorset County Pension Fund	£65.88
T. Lee (cut back and reduce hedge in churchyard)	£325.00
Re-imburse R Cady for gravel	£10.03
- c) **To concise a donation to the Royal British Legion**
It was agreed that £60 would be donated for the Remembrance Sunday wreaths.

20. Items for information or next agenda

Members of the public had difficulty hearing the Remembrance Service. It will be suggested that the Vicar uses a microphone next year. Also, the highway signs need to be collected.

21. Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held in Longthorns Campsite on 6th January.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 19:52

Chairman:

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