MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES

Held on: 20/01/2016 at: 19:30 Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present

Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman)

Cllr Sue Cherry Cllr Joy Robinson

In attendance:

Mr Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk)

14 members of the public

097 Apologies

Cllr Karen Park
Cllr Philip Smith
Cllr Simon Thompson
DCC Cllr Hilary Cox
NDDC Cllr Emma Parker
NDDC Cllr Jane Somper

098 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

None

099 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 18th November 2015

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

100 County & District Councillors' Reports

- A brief report from Cllr Cox was read to the meeting by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book.
- A report from Clirs Somper and Parker was read to the meeting by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book.

101 Parish Council Representatives' Reports

- a. The Clerk gave a verbal report on his meeting in December with the DCC Highways community liaison officer, Mr. Paul Starkey, which attempted to resolve the long running issue of slowing traffic passing Longmead Cottages on the A354. Mr. Starkey agreed to raise the possibility of painting Slow signs in the road at the approaches to Cottages entrance with his supervisor. Unfortunately, the final decision was that no signage would be painted in the road but suggestions were made as to how the tenants could make improvements to the situation, which the Clerk will pass on.
- b. The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Group, Mr. Michael Hopper, delivered a report on the meeting held 12th January, a copy of which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book. He also expressed the group's disappointment that no heed had been paid to any of the comments the group forwarded to the consultation on modifications to the NDDC Local Plan consultation. He wondered aloud if they had even been read.

102 Public Session Feedback

The Clerk updated the meeting on an issue raised at the November meeting by a resident of Winterbourne Whitechurch regarding the X12 bus service. He has been in contact with the complainant who has subsequently had talks with the service operator and declared himself satisfied with the outcome.

A short discussion then took place regarding concerns over the proposed cuts to the rural bus service. The Clerk reminded the meeting that a rural public transport consultation was currently under way and encouraged everyone present to participate. It can be accessed via the Parish Council website.

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103 Correspondence

A report by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix D of the Minute Book, was noted. There were no objections to the tree work applications received.

104 Planning Applications

None received.

105 Village Flood Plan

Members reviewed the draft Flood Plan drawn up by Mr. Steve Lord, Flood Warden for approval by the Council. After a short Q&A session members agreed the plan, a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book. Mr. Lord was asked to source a supplier for a Hi-Vis waterproof jacket for him to wear when engaged in his Flood Warden duties and also provide the Council with prices for a sandbag filler, the provision of which would be looked upon favourably by the Council.

RESOLVED that the Village Flood Plan be approved, including the provision of a suitable Hi-Vis jacket to the Flood Warden.

106 Premises Licensing Application

Members considered a licensing application from Cherry Picked Hampers, Unit 1 Barnes Croft, Coles Lane, Milborne St Andrew. There were no objections to the application.

107 Accounts

The Clerk presented his financial report for the 3rd quarter 2015-16, a copy of which appears as Appendix F of the Minute Book.

108 <u>Draft Budget 2016-17</u>

The Clerk presented 4 options for consideration by Members, copies of which appear as Appendix G of the Minute Book. After some discussion and consideration of further amendments option 4 was accepted and approved.

RESOLVED to adopt option 4 as the budget for 2016/17.

109 Blandford Forum Public Toilets

A request from Blandford Forum Town Council for the Parish Council to consider making a contribution towards the upkeep of their public toilets was rejected. A copy of the letter appears as Appendix H of the Minute Book.

110 Parish Bier

A letter from Mrs June Maitland asking the Council to consider the future of the bier was discussed at length, with contributions from members of the public present. A copy of the letter appears as Appendix I of the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that Mr Peter Jackson be given the freedom to dispose of the bier in a manner he deems appropriate.

111 Parish Meeting April 2016

There was only one suggestion for a guest speaker to attend the Parish Meeting and it was agreed that an invitation would be extended to SSE for a member of their Customer and Community Advisors team to address the meeting on the various services they offer during a power cut.



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112 Neighbourhood Planning Group Draft Terms of Reference

Members reviewed and approved the draft ToRs submitted by the Chairman of the NPG, Mr. Michael Hopper. A copy of them appears as Appendix J of the Minute Book.

RESOLVED to approve and accept the Neighbourhood Planning Group's Terms of Reference.

113 Cheque Schedule

The Cheque Schedules for December and January were circulated, copies of which appear as Appendices K and L respectively of the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Cheque Schedules for December and January totalling £409.82 and £223.22 respectively be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 21:00 hrs.

Signed :

Chairman of the Council

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTES

It was reported that work had started on excavating the Storage Lagoon on the site at the top of Dorchester Hill. However, no traffic management plan had been implemented in accordance with the planning conditions imposed when the application was approved. It was also reported that there is a considerable amount of mud on the A354 as a result of the excavation work and concern was expressed that the lagoon did not appear to be sited where originally planned.

Mr Quenton Miller was allowed by the Chairman to address the meeting, outlining his plans for developing land at the rear of Fox View before a formal application went to NDDC.

A query was raised as to whether any formal activity was being arranged in the village to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday? The Chairman replied that there are moves afoot.

A complaint has been received that hedge clippings are not being cleared away from pathways after hedges have been trimmed by property owners.

Following the above item, a query was raised regarding who is responsible for clearing grass from public footpaths. Whilst it was acknowledged that this was mainly a DCC Highways responsibility, a little self-help in the village would probably have more success.

Dated: 17. 3. 16

Action

The Clerk was instructed to write to the planning case officer at DCC to raise all the concerns expressed.

None.

The Chairman will update on progress.

The Chairman made a general plea for residents to clear up after them.

Chairman to contact the Scout group.