

MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on: 18/06/2014

at: 19:30

Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman)
Cllr Sarah Fox
Cllr Michael Hopper
Cllr Philip Smith
Cllr Simon Thompson

In attendance: Mr Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk)
20 members of the public

021 Apologies

Cllr Emma Parker (NDDC)
Cllr Jane Somper (NDDC)

022 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

023 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 21st May 2014

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

024 County & District Councillors' Reports

None received.

025 Parish Council Representatives' Reports

Cllr Hopper reported that the designation of the Milborne St Andrew Neighbourhood area plan has been approved by NDDC Cabinet 16th June 2014.

Cllr Balcon reported on the DT11 Forum Community Partnership AGM she attended as the Parish Council representative, a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

Mr Lord, Flood Warden gave a progress report on the latest situation regarding flood alleviation measures being proposed for the village, a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

The Clerk gave a report on an Opportunities in Renewable Energy event he attended on the council's behalf 9th June 2014, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

Cllr Fox reported that whilst setting up a Facebook account for the Village Hall she had come across an account for the Parish Council, set up by the previous Clerk. It was agreed that it would be useful to have a Facebook page so the Clerk was tasked with obtaining administrator details from his predecessor.

Mrs Cawley, Tree Warden, reported that a willow tree at Bladen View had been cut down and the stump would be removed by a group that is naturalising the site. It was also reported that according to advice obtained when the Parish Pit trees were being planted, the arrangement of saplings would be such that felling would not be needed in the future. In the light of this information it was:

RESOLVED that felling planned for the Autumn should be postponed until further advice had been sought by the Tree Warden.

026 Correspondence



A report by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book, was noted. An email from Cllr Somper responding to a query regarding the Fox View development at last months Parish Council meeting was read out by the Chairman.

027 Planning Applications

1 - 2/2014/0639/HOUSE – 22 Stileham Bank, Milborne St Andrew. Erect single storey rear extension. Noted - no objection.

2 - 2/2014/0557/PLNG – Manor Farmhouse, Milborne St Andrew. Convert first floor to 1 No. flat. Noted - no objection.

3 - 2/2014/0260/PLNG – Manor Farmhouse, Milborne St Andrew. Erect partitions, raise height of external door, carry out internal and external alterations. Noted – no objection.

4 - WD/D/14/000885 - Land south of A354 and north of A35, north of Tolpuddle, south west of Milborne St Andrew and north east of Tolpuddle, Dorset. Proposed wind farm to comprise of five turbines with associated crane pads, substation control building, new tracks, new entrance junction off A354, plus temporary site construction compound. Noted – letter of objection to be sent to WDDC planning department, copied to NDDC, by the Clerk.

028 Internal Audit

RESOLVED to accept the report from the council's Internal Auditor, Paul Reynolds of Fair Account, a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

029 Final Accounts 2013/14

RESOLVED to approve the final accounts 2013/14 audited by the Internal Auditor, a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

030 Annual Return

RESOLVED that the Annual Return 2013/14, including the Accounting Statement and the Annual Governance Statement, a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book, be approved, signed and forwarded to the External Auditor.

031 Appointment of Internal Auditor

RESOLVED to confirm that Fair Account act as the council's Internal Auditor for the second of a three year contract.

032 Risk Register

RESOLVED to approve the Risk Register amended as discussed at the 21st May meeting.

033 Asset Register

RESOLVED to approve the Asset Register amended as discussed at the 21st May meeting.

034 Winterbourne Division Meeting

A letter from Cllr Cox concerning a Winterbourne Division meeting to be held 25th June, a copy of which appears as Appendix H in the Minute Book, was noted. Cllr Thompson and the Clerk said they would attend.

035 DAPTC AGM

DAPTC Chief Executive's extraordinary circular, a copy of which appears as Appendix I in the Minute Book, was noted. No proposals for a resolution to be put to the AGM were forthcoming.



036 Statutory Documents Review

RESOLVED to approve the following amended policies:

1 - Equality and Diversity (Cllr Smith voted against).

2 - Records and Management Policy.

037 Cheque Schedule

The Cheque Schedule for June was circulated, a copy of which appears as Appendix J of the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Cheque Schedule for June totalling £769.35 be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 21:10 hrs.

Signed :

Chairman of the Council

Dated :

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTES

Action

A Parishioner reported that an oak tree on Coffin Path is dead and poses a possible hazard to walkers and property.

Clerk to report situation to DCC Rights of Way team.

A representative from TAINT (Tolpuddle Against Industrial Turbines) reported that a recent fund raiser was extremely well attended and asked the council to take into consideration the strong feelings held locally against the wind farm development when considering its response to the planning application.

Chairman noted these comments.