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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday, 14th August, 2013, at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllrs. P. Slocombe (Chairman), D. Andrews, A. Argles, A. Barker, D. Hart, D. Mackenzie,

IN ATTENDANCE: District Cllr Oliver, S. Bamforth (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllr Tanner and County Cllr Croney.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: No new interests were declared.

3. DISPENSATIONS: none required.

4. MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th July, 2013 (with one amendment) and 24th July, 2013 were approved and signed.

5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT was received by the Council.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT had been received by e-mail.

7. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD

In response to a query and with the agreement of the Council, The Chairman presented his report on progress on the new Pimperne primary school, noting that the village hall trustees had proposed minor amendments to the draft easement and licence; the former would incorporate the necessary release from covenant. The land transfers were due to be signed later in the week. District Cllr Oliver thanked the Chairman and Clerk for their efforts.

8. MATTERS ARISING

a) The Chairman reported that the asset register and risk assessment were to be updated, the former to note changes to office contents and that latter to include staff and employment issues. The insurance schedule would be checked. He noted that the internal auditor's report was included in the Annual Return to the external auditor, but that a checklist for a mid-year check was being prepared. **Chairman, Cllr Mackenzie**

b) Possible relocation of dog waste bin: the Clerk reported that she had not received any more information from the Dorset Waste Partnership. Cllr Barker noted that on should be relocated to the other end of Church Road.

c) The Clerk reported the response from Damory to the complaint about the recent temporary service and the Council concluded it was not satisfactory and that a further letter should be sent.

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9. PLANNING

a) The Council confirmed that they wished the following application to be referred to the Development Management Committee:

2/2013/0621/PLNG 2, Parr Grove, Pimperne, Blandford Forum, Dorset: erect 1 single storey rear extension and 1.9m high screen wall.

b) The Council considered the following new application:

2/2013/0766/PLNG Woodbury, 10 Chapel Lane, Pimperne, Blandford Forum, Dorset: to erect 2 semi-detached dwellings (demolish existing dwelling) (Amended scheme to Planning Permission 2/2011/0969). The Council objected to the application as an overdevelopment of the site which would be overbearing in its bulk and height to the detriment of the amenities currently enjoyed by the neighbours to the rear of the property and out of keeping with the setting. The Council also objected to the application on the grounds of inadequate access, egress and parking arrangements, particularly given the narrowness of Chapel Lane. The Council notes that the proposed roofing material is not the previously agreed thatch and that rights of access are not marked on the plans. The Council wished the application to be referred to the Development Management Committee

c) The Council considered the following application for works to trees in the conservation area:

26 Down Road, Pimperne: to fell 2 conifers and 1 ash. No objections.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

d) The Chairman reported on meetings with the Blandford Assistant Town Clerk and NDDC Planning Policy Officers. On reflection, the Council concluded it was not necessary to pursue a plan with any urgency in Pimperne. The Clerk would so inform the Group of the Council's view. **Clerk**

11. NEW PIMPERNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chairman had reported earlier in the meeting.

12. FINANCES

a) The Clerk presented a written financial statement for July, showing details of income and expenditure, set against budget.

b) The Council approved the payment and instructed the signature of the following cheques:

1100	S Bamforth - Clerk's Salary July incl back pay	At agreed rate
1101	S Bamforth - Clerk's Expenses July	23.40
1102	Information Commissioner - annual registration	35.00

13. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) **DT11:** The Chairman would report to the next meeting as a DT11 meeting was being held that evening.

b) **Tree Officer:** Cllr Hart asked that homeowners be encouraged to cut back trees overhanging footpaths. The Clerk would write to Mr Lukins about the hedge overhanging Down Road. The Clerk reported that the County Tree Officer would have to remove another section of the chestnut tree and was happy to start discussing a replacement tree with the Council. **Clerk**

c) **Rights of Way:** Cllr Barker reported that there were no matters of concern and that the County ROW would ensure a gap was left in the fencing installed at Collingwood Corner in

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advance of the Great Dorset Steam Fair. The Chairman would discuss with her the practicality of having the footpath to the camp adopted. **Cllr Barker, Chairman**

d) **Highways Officer:** Cllr Argles reported that the storm drain had been repaired; he would tell the Clerk which properties in Arlecks Lane had overgrown hedges to allow her to write to them.

Cllr Argles, Clerk

e) **Pimperne Primary School:** no report.

f) **Village Hall:** nothing to report.

g) **Flood Warden:** no report.

h) **DAPTC:** Cllr Andrews had been unable to attend the meeting on 17th July.

i) **Homewatch:** Cllr Andrews reported that he was pursuing the Community Speedwatch scheme. He would sign councillors up to Ringmaster.

14. BUS SHELTERS

The Clerk reported that she was awaiting a quotation from Dorset CC on removing the Salisbury Road shelter and moving the Portman Road one. **Clerk**

15. WAR MEMORIAL

The Chairman reported that the War Memorials Trust would not offer a grant for the cleaning of the memorial; the Clerk would forward details of an anti-fungal treatment. **Clerk**

16. VILLAGE AWARD

Discussion was deferred until Cllr Tanner was present.

17. FOI PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Clerk had circulated the model publication scheme and an updated guide to information available; she would finalise what would be available on the website with Cllr Mackenzie and circulate a final draft before the next meeting. **Clerk, Cllr Mackenzie**

18. CORRESPONDENCE

a) DT11; request for contact details: the Chairman would complete and return. **Chairman**

b) DCC; consultation on bus services; the Council would consider at the next meeting, but the Clerk would report the omission of service 318 and the misleading representation of other services. **Clerk**

19. PROPERTY CHECK

The Council noted Cllr Argles' report; no action required at present.

20. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

a) To approve and accept annual return

b) To consider arrangements for a community service award

c) To review calendar of events (to be a regular agenda item)

d) To review councillors' training plan

21. The time and date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7.00pm on Wednesday, 11th September, 2013, in the Village Hall.

The meeting ended at 9.05 pm.