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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 13th December 2017, at 7.00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllrs. A. Argles, T. Harman, P. Peters, M. Richley, P. Slocombe (Chairman)

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs K Oxlee (Clerk) and six members of the public.

1: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr John Tanner, District Cllr Piers Brown

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

3. DISPENSATIONS: None required

4. MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th November 2017 were approved by the meeting.

5. HILLFORTS WARD REPORT – No report was made to the council due to absence. The report recently emailed to the council was reviewed. A query was raised regarding another Local Plan Review session as there was a concern over the number of attendees at the first review meeting. **Action: Chairman**

6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:

- Mr Brian Marney of Parr Grove queried any update regarding a community shop. Mr. Marney has knowledge of The Plunkett Foundation which has previously helped set up over 350 community shops nationwide. He asked if this would be of interest to the council. Mr. Marney queried whether in the short term the Anvil could be approached to determine if they would hold a small amount of items, similar to the pub in Stourpaine. Mr. Baker, also of Parr Grove wanted to confirm his agreement to Mr. Marney's suggestions.
- Mr. Michael Donne of Portman Road was pleased to note that a Community Hub was on tonight's agenda, however he wished to know if the village leafleting mentioned in the minutes of the meeting dated 8th November would be discussed.
- Mrs. Toze stated that she had been in touch with Dorset Archives regarding the lease documents for the village green & had confirmed that these could be lodged in the archives. She had also contacted Blandford museum regarding the same. The documents can be lodged at the history centre where they will be publicly available.

7. MATTERS ARISING:

- Indemnity Insurance for councillors. The council were reassured that the current Ecclesiastical Policy covers all officers or members.

- The Countryside Alliance advised that the Farquharson Arms bid for a Rural Oscar had been unsuccessful.

8. URGENT MATTERS:

9: APPOINTMENT OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

The chairman asked Councillors to give this matter thought with a view to co-option in the New Year **Action: All**

10. PLANNING

a) Granted applications:

- 2/20170194/ KJ Pike & Sons Ltd. Cllr Argles attended the meeting of the Development Control Committee. It was noted that Pikes were not present at the meeting. The decision of the

meeting was to approve the application. Mr Burden of Cranborne AONB has assured the council that he will continue to raise the issue of enforcing his comments & concerns.

b) Outstanding applications

– 2/2016/1763/Various Sites –BT telephone box – no progress to date.

c) To consider any new applications received before the meeting:

- 2/2017/1539/FUL – Stud Farm, Down Road – change of use of redundant hay barn to gym & café incl. formation of first floor & erect single storey link to existing/proposed gym/café.

d) Tree applications – No new applications. The tree applications listed on the agenda were in fact test items for the council and not applications.

e) Other planning issues

Hayloft/stables – Berkeley House. No update.

Former Methodist Chapel – Chapel Lane. NDDC have confirmed that they are unable to enforce any action regarding this property and have requested the owner may consider making the necessary repairs etc.

Action Chairman/Clerk

Orchard Cottage, Old Bakery Close – an enforcement officer is due to attend the property and report back findings.

Action: Chairman/Clerk

f) Conservation Area – Re-Appraisal

Mrs Debby Mackenzie is still willing assist with the re-appraisal. This may take a few months.

Action: Chairman

g) North Dorset Local Plan Review

The Chairman attended the review and had a number of concerns over details contained within the plan as GAPS on the Pimperne Neighbourhood Plan have been ignored and much of the area marked for development is within the AONB.

A further item for concern is the A350 corridors. The council are asking for input regarding the need for these corridors to be maintained. It is felt that to remove the corridors would be a retrograde step as it is likely that at a future point the A350 will be developed

The council would like the public to be aware that the deadline for response to the plan is 22nd January 2018.

All documents can be viewed at the council offices in Blandford or at dorsetforyou.gov.uk/planning/north-dorset/planning-policy.

Response forms can be emailed to: planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk **Action: Chairman**

h) Mineral Sites & Waste Plan – representations can be made until 31st January 2018. This item will be discussed further in the January meeting.

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Pre-submission Draft has been submitted to all statutory consultees. The consultation period runs until 22nd December 2017. To date the only response has been from SGN. Two members of the public have commented as per the public ‘drop in’ session held on 25th November. All responses have been forwarded to relevant parties.

Action: Clerk/Chairman

12. FORMER SCHOOL FIELD

Councillors attended a successful meeting with Mark Osborne, Peter Scarlett, Deborah Croney and Jackie Leighton of the District Council. The Council are now awaiting an agreement from DCC which should be received by mid-January.

Action: All

13. FINANCE

a) Financial Statement: The statement for November was presented and approved.

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

	for approval and signature on 13 th December	
1387	Dorset Planning Consultant	930.00
1388	DAPTC	45.00
1389	Play Inspection Co	156.00
1390	The Blandford School	36.00
1391	John Tanner	19.80
1392	Clerks Office Expenses	82.00
1393	Clerks Salary	354.92
1394	Sevensioux (Website Admin)	90.00
	Total	1713.72

c) Mid-term audit Mr. J Paul – the councils financial statements were recently reviewed in a mid-term audit. Mr. Paul advised that everything is in order. A letter confirming the same is required from the auditor.

Action: Clerk

d) Section 137- Payment advice from DAPTC – following recent queries we have been advised by DAPTC that donations may still be made to Blandford TC for maintenance of toilets in the town. Other councils are using s137 to cover similar donations. A query was also raised over Xmas lights for the village tree. These can be purchased under s140.

14. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) Tree Officer - absent

b) Rights of Way:

Footpath Portman Road/A354 - Cllr Argles has visited with Mr Hill, who has now been reassured about his obligation regarding the footpath. This matter is now resolved. Mr Hill is not responsible for ground level vegetation.

Churchyard Footpath – Cllr Argles has inspected the area and there are number of possible solutions. The possibility of the Countryside Rangers taking on the task was raised.

Action: Cllr Argles

Footpath School Lane/former school field - no update

c) Highways:

Highways Working Together Sharepoint update – Cllr Argles asked the clerk to confirm the clerk address as main point of contact.

Action: Clerk

A350 Community Group Meeting 29th November 2017 – Cllr Argles attended the meeting. It was agreed that current situation would be maintained. Details of future meetings have been received and forwarded.

Action: Cllr Argles

- Zebra Crossing – Salisbury Road roundabout –no update

Church Road Footways Scheme – no update

d) Village Hall: we have now received prices for new curtains. A supplier is to be visited to discuss materials.

Action: Chairman

e) Flood Warden: - absent

f) DAPTC: the next meeting is in April 2018

g) Transport: Cllr Harman has contacted Damory who have confirmed that they will put timetables in all stops in both directions. Cllr Harman will continue to check.

Action: Cllr Harman

- Current week day bus service – this is still continuing
 - Saturday bus service – this was trialed from August and was due to continue running until Christmas. However due to poor utilization the service was discontinued in October.
- Cllr Harman has been in touch with Erica Priti regarding a neighbourhood car scheme. His concern is that once again this relies upon effective co-ordinators and volunteers.

Action: Cllr Harman

h) Community Officer: Another successful training session was held on 25th November. The council wish to thank Mr. Rob Williams for his help with the training and maintenance. It has become apparent that a number of village residents may not know how to use the defibrillator or what to do if it is needed. It was agreed that a document would be put in the next newsletter giving further advice regarding use and training. It was also felt that there may be some benefit in using a company which lists details of all local members of the public trained on use of the defibrillator.

Action: Cllr Peters

15. HOMEWATCH/SPEEDWATCH

No update to homewatch.

16. CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND TRAINING PLAN

- The clerk is awaiting information from NDDC prior to presenting the budget. This will be emailed to all councillors within the next few days. All councillors should then make comment about the budget and provide any relevant information before the meeting on 10th January 2018. It is intended that councillors should be prepared to agree the budget at this meeting.

Action: Chairman/Clerk/All councillors

17. PROPERTY CHECKS

- a) Chairs on the Old School Field remain an outstanding issue.
- b) Play areas – the annual Play inspection has taken place. The chairman will meet with Mr Smith to discuss any matters needing immediate action
- c) The working group provided a draft plan of new equipment for the play area. They have had discussions with Wickstead, a supplier that is able to provide all of the relevant items. It is felt that all items can be purchased and installed within budget. There is a query over surfacing. Detailed plans should be received for discussion at the meeting on 10th January 2018.

Action: The Chairman

Action: Cllr Harman, Cllr Argles, Cllr Peters

d) Noticeboards- it is felt that the council require a new, freestanding noticeboard. The clerk is to investigate costs etc and prepare info for the January meeting.

Action: Clerk

18. POST OFFICE

The post mistress from Shillingstone wants to meet with the council to see where the service will operate from. As previously advised an outreach service will run on Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings.

Action: Chairman

19. COMMUNITY HUB – after much discussion it was agreed that a newsletter will be sent out to all residents asking for their thoughts on a community hub and the format that it should take. The council felt that residents should be made aware that whilst they can have involvement in this project they are not in a position to make it happen without significant involvement by the public.

Action: Cllr Richley

20. CORRESPONDENCE

21. MATTERS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION:

Forward email from J Parker to Deborah Croney for review and comment Action: Clerk

22. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

NDDC, WDDC & WPBC Opening Doors – Building for the Future

NDDC Dog Consultation – survey closes 2nd March 2018

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23. NEXT MEETING

The time and date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7.00pm on Wednesday 10th January in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm