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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th December 2020 held via Zoom.

PRESENT: Cllrs P Slocombe (Chairman), J Tanner, T Harman, A. Argles, H Sutton, J. Beckford, B Adams.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dorset Cllr Sherry Jespersen, J Fairman (Clerk) plus 3 members of the public.

NON-ATTENDEES:

1: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

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

3. DISPENSATIONS: None required

4. MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th November were approved.

5. HILLFORTS WARD REPORT-

-A consultation will start mid-January on the draft of the new Dorset Council Local Plan. Once adopted this plan will guide decisions on planning applications over the next 15 years. The plan sets out housing numbers required and outlines the strategy for growth and development in the area. Details of the plan may be seen on the Dorset Council website, and an 8 week public consultation will run from mid-January, hard copies will be available in libraries, there will be a phone line, webinars and podcasts. The Parish Council will need to make comments on the plan on behalf of their residents. The new plan will come into force in 2023.

-Dorset Council has set out its initial proposals for next year's budget. The pandemic has resulted in unexpected expenditure and loss of income for DC. The government provided some funding but there is a large shortfall resulting in a council tax rise of 1.99%, the final proposal will be signed off by full council in February.

-Lock down and working from home has proven to be difficult for many families and relationships. Confidential help and support is available from organisations in Dorset such as Relate, Samaritans and You First have special advisors on the end of a phone. Relate can be contacted on 01302 380900. Relate on www.relate.org.uk/relationship-help. Samaritans on Freephone 116 123. Advice about Domestic Abuse speak to You First Advisors on 0800 032 5204.

-DC has extended the consultation period for the Climate and Ecological Emergency Strategy until mid-January 2021. The survey can be completed online <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/emergencies-severe-weather/climate-emergency/climate-and-ecological-emergency-strategy.aspx> those requiring offline copies of documents call 01305 221000.

6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:

-Mr Watson reported that he had made his objection on the Wyatt Development and raised concerns that there is a grave Health and Safety issue with this development with the increase in of traffic creating hazardous levels of air pollution.

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- Cllr Harman reported that there had been a drone flying over Pimperne gardens particularly in the St Peters Close area and urged that anyone spotting drones should report to the police on 101 as it is happening, or contact the CAA, as this is not permitted and is a violation of privacy.
- New DC dog signage received and to be placed in the village at agreed points. **Chairman/Clerk**

7. Matters Arising

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8. Urgent Matters--

- There have been 2 accidents this week on the A354 at the bridge nr the brook area, making this a total of 4 accidents in this area in the past 9 months, PPC have reported this to Highways as an accident hotspot and request that action be taken to make this stretch of road safer.
- The first accident this week occurred at 6.15 Saturday 5th where the coping stone was knock into the brook creating a potential flood hazard. The second incident was the same weekend where a vehicle heading toward Blandford lost control and crashed into the wall to the Willows car park. Police have appealed for any witnesses to come forward. **Chairman/ Clerk**

9. Planning Applications

a) New Applications

-None

b) Approved Applications

c) Outstanding Applications:

- P/OUT/2020/00026- Land North and East of Blandford-
- Hybrid planning application for the phased development for up to 600 no, dwellings and non-residential uses comprising: outline planning application (to determine access) to develop land by the erection of up to 433 no dwellings (Use class C3), local centre with flexible floor space including Commercial, Business and Services (Use class E), Drinking Establishments and hot food takeaways (Use class Sui Generis) and Local Community (Use Class F2); land for a three-form entry primary school and associated playing pitches (Use Class F1 Learning and non-residential institutions); form public open space, replacement allotments including allotment building, new sports pitches, parking, access, infrastructure, landscaping and carry out ancillary and site preparation works, including demolition of existing buildings and removal of existing allotments. Full planning application to erect 167 no. dwellings (Use Class C3), form public open space, attenuation basins, parking access, infrastructure, landscaping and carry out ancillary and site preparation- **A leaflet has been put around the village by the Pimperne Action Group advising villagers of the impact this development will have on our village and a second leaflet further amplifying the non-sustainability of this development will be distributed next week. Residents are reminded that they may make comment on this application via the Dorset Council website, up until the 6th January 2021.**
- Councillors agreed to purchase a banner using the Reading Room Fund.**
- The response from PPC to this application is being prepared by Dorset Consultants.**

-02/2020/0183/OUT- The Pimperne Shop, Anvil Rd- Proposed demolition of existing shop/residential building (Pimperne Shop Anvil Rd) and The Lodge (Church Rd) and erection of 7no: new houses, with surface parking, landscaping and altered access/egress driveway and associated landscaping.

-2/2020/1024/FUL-The Lodge, Church Rd-Erect 3 no. dwellings, create new vehicular and pedestrian access and 2 no. additional parking spaces-

-2/2019/1494/FUL-Land North of Manor Farm Close- Erect 14 no. dwellings with garages, form vehicular access and parking, carry out associated works including highway and footway improvements.

2/2020/0729/FUL- 1 Wellow Cottages, Salisbury Road- Erect 1 dwelling, create new vehicular and pedestrian access and 2 no. additional parking spaces-pending consideration

-The PC's response to the Government White Paper Consultation has been submitted.

d) Other Planning Issues

-Former Methodist Chapel- Mr Mulholland has not responded to any of the PC requests for action regarding the deterioration of the chapel and the poor state of the Woodbury site. PPC are most concerned that a boundary wall is so unsafe that a resident is unable to park her vehicle in her drive as there is a dangerous and potentially could cause her an injury or damage her car. PC to write again to Mr Mulholland. **Clerk/Chairman**

-PC to further request Cllr Jespersen's assistance in solving these items. **Clerk/Chairman**

-Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan- Still awaiting update from DC. **Clerk/Chairman**

-e) Tree Applications-None

-None. **Chairman/Clerk**

10. Former School Field

- PPC have received an email from Mr Osborne DC Estates Surveying Manager confirming that a draft indemnity is in place regarding the boundary dispute and the lease is now almost finalized

Chairman/Clerk

11. Finance.

a) Financial Statement-Financial Statement for November approved.

b) Payment Approval: The Council approved the following payments.

Clerks Salary	At agreed rate
HMRC PAYE	£ 84.60
Dorset Council re New dog signage	£ 36.00
Viking Office supplies ink for leaflets	£ 112.54
PKF Littlejohn	£ 240.00
Blandford School	£ 336.00
Viking Additional ink	£ 37.89
V. Hall replacement defib pads & battery	£ 73.80

c) Results of the external audit received and are now on the website.

Clerk

d) Budget/ precept 2021-2022 first draft agreed, now awaiting tax base.

Clerk/RFO

e) PPC agreed to that the website needs to be updated in order to meet the new Government Accessibility guidelines and that we will be using a new web host when this is completed.

Sevensioux to be instructed to proceed with these changes.

Chairman/Clerk

f) PPC have agreed to appoint Mr Paul as the internal auditor the books will be taken to him on 11/12/2020.

12. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) Tree Officer –

-DC have now removed the problematic Sycamore Tree nr. Manor Farm Close, they will be replanting 2 trees in its place as well as trees to the top of Portman Rd at the same time in the new year.
Cllr Sutton/ Chairman

b) Rights of Way:

-Blandford Camp Footpath – No further progress due to social distancing. **Cllr Argles.**

c) Highways:

-20 MPH speed limit- PPC to contact Iwerne PC for advice on how to start this process.
Clerk/Chairman

d) Village Hall

-Now re-opened under Tier 2 regulations.
-Visits from mobile food companies to the Village hall car park from Dorset Food Truck and Pizza Box will be advertised on boards nr the village hall.
Chairman

e) Flood Warden:

-Stream flowing well in part, however debris from the recent accident needs to be cleared. There is also a troubling crack in the wall in this area which needs to be reported.

Cllr Tanner/Clerk

-The Environment Agency have confirmed receipt of our request for grills to the culverts in the brook.
Cllr Tanner/ Clerk

f) DAPTC-

-AGM -Chairman Cllr Slocombe attended the AGM via Zoom 14/11/2020, all motions were passed.
Cllr Adams/Chairman

g) Transport Officer

-No update **Cllr Harman**

h) Community Officer: No current update

Cllr Beckford

13. Homewatch/ Speedwatch.

-Cancelled until 15/01/21.

14. Calendar of events and Training plan.

15. Property checks

a) General

-Grit bins to be checked **Cllr Beckford**

b) Play Areas:

-PPC to research which bark to purchase as the current bark is unsatisfactory, new bark to be harder wood and smaller chipping.
Chairman/Cllr Beckford

-Annual inspection of play areas report
Clerk/ Chairman/Cllr Beckford.

-Replacement waste bin to Junior Play Area to be purchased. **Clerk/Chairman.**

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17. Correspondence-

--Christmas Shopping Parking- FOC on 12th/19th December.

-Climate and Ecological Emergency Consultation & Draft Strategy extended to 20/01/2021.

18. Items for the next Agenda-

-SID to discuss at next meeting.

19. Date & time of next Parish Council meeting

Next meeting: 13th January , 7pm.