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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January 2021 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)

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 9th December 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 can 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 make comments on the plan on behalf of their residents, however residents are encourage to view the documents/webinars and make their own comments as the outcome of this consultation will affect planning decisions in Dorset for the next 15 years. The new plan will come into force in 2023.

-There has been a sharp increase in Covid cases across Dorset with the over 65's still the most at risk but increasing numbers of younger people are presenting with the virus. Hospitals are at 90-95% capacity, with many NHS staff who are ill or having to self-isolate, this is a challenging time for the NHS. Dorset Council has launched a contact tracing system to support the NHS Track and Trace who contact people who need to be tested. A mobile testing unit will be available in the car park at Sturminster Newton from 11th January. You can book a test online by using the portal www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call 111.

-A consultation is underway on plans to build a new Household Recycling Centre on the Sunrise Industrial Estate in Blandford. This will replace the existing HRC. Comments on this proposal should be submitted online by 18/01/2021.

-A dog related Public Spaces Protection Order came into force on 01/01/2021, to provide clarity to dog owners about control of dogs in open spaces such as beaches, sports fields and other public areas, further details can be found on Dorset Council's website.

6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD: No Issues raised.

7. Matters Arising:

-Website updates inline with Government guidelines- We have been advised that a skeleton site is in place, however further work needs to be done to ensure that Accessibility requirements are met. Chairman to request that they look into the possibility of uploading Planning Applications onto the site on a dedicated planning page, each with a direct link to the Dorset Website documents relating to that application. **Chairman/ Clerk**

-Dorset Council Local Plan Consultation- will be live from Monday 18th January for 8 weeks. All are encouraged to view and make comments regarding the plan, this is a complex and important document, PPC to seek a quote from Dorset Consultancy regarding response as proposals indicate that development could encroach onto Pimperne Land from Blandford down to Hammetts Farm. **Chairman/Clerk**

-Proposed Blandford Waste Centre Meeting- Cllr Slocombe attended meeting 04/01/2021. The proposed site for this is near the Sunrise Business Park with access via the Blandford Bypass which will substantially increase traffic from Shaftesbury and Gillingham bringing waste to this site. The Cranborne Chase AONB have not been consulted regarding this application and feel that the AONB is not the correct place for a Waste Recycling Centre. However, should this go ahead the access should be via the Sunrise Business Park rather than from the Blandford Bypass. The Waste Transfer Barn is too high and would be too visible and should be set down into the ground to avoid this issue. A habitat enhancement area would be required to the north-east section. The Planning application will come out in February with a view to commencing work here in the summer. Further details can be viewed on Dorset Council's website and there is a survey that can be filled out via the link www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/blandford-WMC. The deadline for comments is 18/01/2021.

-Climate and Ecological Survey- Response deadline extended to 20/01/2021. Survey is open for anyone to respond via Dorset Council's website, PPC will be making a response.

Chairman/Clerk

8. Urgent Matters--

-None.

9. Planning Applications

a) New Applications

-P/HOU/2020/00308- 22 Portman Road- Erect first floor extension on top of existing extension- Extension to date for comment requested. **Clerk**

b) Approved Applications

-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- This application has been approved, PPC comments have been ignored, request to view drawings re road widening and access. Write to Dorset Council re CIL. **Chairman/Clerk**

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-

-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- Comments now closed.

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

d) Other Planning Issues

-Former Methodist Chapel- Clerk has written to Mr Mulholland regard the poor state of the Woodbury Site and the Former Methodist Chapel. Mr Mulholland responded that his surveyor did not agree that the wall was unsafe and that the issues regarding this site would be resolved when he commences building work here in 2021. PPC to request to see the surveyors report. Resident seeking legal advice as she would like the wall removed and replaced with a fence.

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. Blanchard Bailey are reviewing documents before finalization. Cllr Slocombe to request confirmation of legal fees.

Chairman/Clerk

11. Finance.

a) Financial Statement-Financial Statement for December approved.

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

| | At agreed rate |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Clerks Salary | |
| HMRC PAYE | £ 84.60 |
| Clerk Office Allowance | £ 100.00 |
| M Richley Newsletter Honorarium | £ 100.00 |
| Pimperne Gardening Services | £ 92.00 |
| Feeola Website Host | £ 13.86 |
| Dorset Planning Consultant | £ 1,519.20 |
| Blandford Leisure Centre Grant | £ 500.00 |

c) Budget/ precept 2021-2022 agreed

Clerk/RFO

d) Internal Audit completed.

Clerk/RFO

12. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) Tree Officer –

-Woodland Trust again offering tree saplings FOC. PPC will request with a view to planting more trees near the school and at the entrance to St Peters Close.

Cllr Sutton

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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

-Bridge on A354 now repaired- Cllr Jespersen agreed that this area is an accident ‘black spot’.

-Cllr Tanner request that PPC write to Dorset Council to attain a copy of the criteria used by Dorset Council to determine where remedial action regarding accidents takes place.

Cllr Tanner/Clerk

d) Village Hall

-Village Hall is now only open on Friday mornings for Post Office services. **Chairman**

e) Flood Warden:

-The stream is stabilised due to current dry spell.

Cllr Tanner

f) DAPTC

-Cllr Adams to complete survey the Constitution Review Survey on behalf of PPC. **Cllr Adams**

g) Transport Officer

-No update

Cllr Harman

h) Community Officer: No current update

Cllr Beckford

13. Homewatch/ Speedwatch.

-Cancelled until further notice due to Covid restrictions

Chairman

14. Calendar of events and Training plan.

-Precept request agreed and to be sent off to Dorset Council

Chairman/Clerk

15. Property checks

a) General

-Grit bins are full-Cllr Beckford to check bins in Portman Rd.

Cllr Beckford

b) Play Areas:

-Annual inspection of play areas report- Chairman/Cllr Beckford and Mr King to review report and make any necessary repairs

Clerk/ Chairman/Cllr Beckford.

-Replacement waste bin to Junior Play Area to be purchased.

Clerk/Chairman.

-Cllr Harman to investigate new bark for play area -Cllr Argles suggest a new eco friendly rubber product made from old tyres.

Cllr Harman

16. SID

-PPC agreed that it would be beneficial to purchase a SID to tackle speeding problems in the village funded from reserves.

Clerk/Chairman

17. Correspondence-

-Thank letter received from Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau regarding £50.00 Grant. **Clerk**

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-Wyatt Homes have request input from PPC re: naming the Road for the 14 Houses North of Manor Farm Close, Cllrs to consider. **Chairman/Clerk**

18. Items for the next Agenda-

-Grills to the stream culverts

19. Date & time of next Parish Council meeting: Next meeting: Wednesday 11th February 2021 at 7pm.