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## PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015, at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. P. Slocombe (Chairman), A. Argles, D. Mackenzie, J. Tanner.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Cllr. D. Croney, B. MacGregor (Parish Clerk), and one member of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** None.

Dist. Cllr J. Schwier (absent)

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None

**3. DISPENSATIONS:** none required.

**4. MINUTES:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were approved provided it was stated that Dist. Cllr. Schwier was absent.

**5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** The District Councillors' report for June had been received. Although the July report was sent out on 29<sup>th</sup> June it had not been received by the Parish Council and the matter will be followed up by Cllr. Croney.

**6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** County Cllr. Croney reported that the C13 is now open.

**7. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS:** A proposal to co-opt Ms. H. Evans, Mr. T. Harman and Mr. M. Richley was passed unanimously and they will be formally invited to the next meeting in August. **Action Clerk**

**8. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:** No issues were raised.

**8. MATTERS ARISING:** The Great Dorset Steam Fair liaison meeting was attended by Cllr.

Tanner and a copy of his report will be submitted to all Councillors.

**Action Clerk**

**9. PLANNING**

a) Granted applications –

2/2015/0685/HOUSE – 4 Boyte Road was granted.

Woodbury – A copy of Mr. Mulholland's to NDDC has been received, aggressively challenging some of the points regarding the foundations. However, the letter confirmed that the boundary fences will be re-erected within the "next few weeks". It was agreed that the site will continue to be monitored and the matter should remain on the agenda.

b) Refused applications – Application 2/2015/0661/REM – Land at 50 Salisbury Road has been refused.

c) Outstanding applications

- 2/2015/0053/DCC – Retention of 3 temporary classrooms. The removal of the classrooms will be undertaken once the school has no further use for them.

-2/2015/0776/FUL – Stud Farm, Down Road – change of use from agricultural to gymnasium -

d) New applications

2/2015/0886/HOUSE –The Cottage Salisbury Road to Letton Croft – single storey extension - no comment.

d) Tree application– None

f) Minerals and Waste Planning Consultation –A site next to the Taymix site has been identified as one of five potential sites for a new household waste management centre. Further details will be available at a roadshow planned to be held in Blandford on 10<sup>th</sup> August. With the proposed

site standing within the AONB this development is likely to be strongly opposed. County Cllr Croney confirmed her willingness to get involved in future discussions if required.

#### **10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Three of the four sub groups have completed their survey analyses and the remaining section will be completed before 11<sup>th</sup> July. Completed analyses will be submitted to all members of the Neighbourhood Planning Group before the next meeting. The Neighbourhood Plan survey raffle winners were Mr. A. Dennis (£50) and Mr & Mrs Lye (£25). **Action All**

#### **11. NEW PIMPERNE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The new school is operating successfully apart from the ongoing difficulties over the internet connection. The old school field is to be closed on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> July to enable the pupils to camp overnight. Action will be sought through DCC to clear the play trail at the old school site which is overrun with weeds. **Action County Cllr. Croney**

#### **12. FINANCES**

a) **Financial Statement:** A statement for June was presented, showing details of income and expenditure against budget. The funds transfer from the Reading Room required for the new Bus Shelter is still to take place following delays in approving new account signatories. **Action Clerk**

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

1211	JP Consultants - Internal audit	85.00
		At
		agreed
1212	Clerk's salary- at agreed rate	rate
1213	Clerk's expenses	20.16
1214	DAPTC subscription	334.64
1215	D. Mackenzie - website hosting	10.80
1216	RG King - play area repairs	553.00
1217	P.Slocombe - Neighbhd. plan expenses	75.00
1218	RG King - gate repairs	85.50
	Total	1508.62

c) **Code of conduct** – the existing code of conduct is to be re-dated at 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015 and re-issued. **Action Clerk**

#### **d) Standing orders**

The standing orders have been revised and re-issued.

e) **Financial regulations**– the regulations have been revised and re-issued to councillors. Copies of the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Synopsis are to be issued to the new Councillors before the August meeting. **Action Clerk**

f) **BDO Audit briefings** – An exploration of the BDO site will be made to identify new briefings. **Action Clerk**

#### **13. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**

a) **DT11:** A large and potentially exciting new bid has been submitted to VAMP, the Dorset Visual Arts Management Project, which, if successful, could help to generate a number of new business ideas on the Trailway project.

b) **Tree Officer:** Nothing to report.

c) **Rights of Way:** Nothing to report.

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d) **Highways Officer:** Following complaints about an overgrown hedge by the bus shelter, contact has been made with DCC Highways. Formal requests for a 20mph speed limit, parking restrictions and HGV restrictions in Church Road have been submitted to DCC Highways with no response received to date. Copies of the relevant correspondence are to be forward to County Cllr. Croney.

**Action Clerk**

e) **Pimperne Primary School:** A number of end of term functions and activities are being held, with the Leavers Assembly set for 17<sup>th</sup> July. The pupils return to school on 3rd September. School Governors have attended sessions to read a story to their assigned year groups.

f) **Village Hall:** Nothing to report

g) **Flood Warden:** A request has been made for road closure signs to be stored within the village for rapid deployment when required.

**Action Cllr. Tanner**

h) **DAPTC:** The Chairman will attend the next meeting on 21st July.

**Action Chairman**

i) **Homewatch/Community Speed Watch:** The Homewatch report is still awaited. A new Community Speedwatch exercise is to be arranged for early August.

## **15. CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND TRAINING PLAN**

It was agreed that the mid-year internal audit should be moved from August to October, with the action to review the asset list brought forward to August. A new Calendar of Events is to be issued.

**Action Clerk**

The new councillors will be booked onto the on the DAPTC course for new councillors to be held in Tarrant Keynston on October.

**Action Clerk**

Copies of the slides from the Essential Finance training course are to be copied for the Chairman and Cllr. MacKenzie.

**Action Clerk**

## **16. PROPERTY CHECKS**

The gate at the entrance to the old school has been repaired and the issue of bus shelter and seat at Down Road will be addressed.

**Action Chairman/Cllr Argles**

## **17. PRE-SCHOOL FUTURE PREMISES**

The Chairman advised that the Pre-School are examining an number of options relating to a funding bid made by the Sports Association and do not require a meeting with DCC at present.

## **19. VILLAGE DEFIBRILLATOR**

The gym at Stud Farm is to acquire a debrillator which will be stored on an outside wall, and available for use by parishioners, subject to relevant training.

## **20. TRANSPARENCY CODE FOR SMALLER COUNCILS**

The necessary financial information is to be collated and passed to Cllr Mackenzie for publication via the web site.

**Action Cllr Mackenzie/Clerk**

## **21. CORRESPONDENCE**

Blandford Town Team are to meet on 24<sup>th</sup> September to give a public briefing on progress to date.

**22. MATTERS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION:** The Chairman wondered whether the Parish Council should be interested in preserving the old Chapel as part of Pimperne's heritage. The matter will be discussed with David Horder.

**Action Chairman**

**23. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:** None

## **24. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> August.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.