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## **PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020, at 7.00 p.m. conducted via email due to Government restrictions of social distancing to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus.

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** J Fairman Clerk: (Public advised to submit any matters to be raised via email or telephone to the Clerk by 7pm, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020).

**NON ATTENDEES:**

**1: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** None

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** -None

**3. DISPENSATIONS:** None required

**4. MINUTES:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020 were approved by Cllrs Slocombe/Tanner/Argles/Harman/Adams/Sutton/Beckford via email.

### **5. HILLFORTS WARD REPORT:**

-Dorset Council continue to ask people to think again before considering coming to visit beaches etc. and Government guidelines prohibit people from staying overnight. Dorset's Coronavirus infection rate is currently quite low.

-Planning officers are all working from home and are not making site visits.

-Schools are preparing to reopen with limited attendance- parents will not be fined for non-attendance at this time.

-Dorset Council administering national Government schemes for businesses in crisis for those that qualify. DC also working closely with other organisations and MP's to support local businesses notably hospitality and dairy farming.

-Local Authorities will take lead in planning recovery- in the economy, local services, community life and well-being.

**District Cllr Jespersen**

**6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:** See correspondence.

### **7. Matters Arising**

-Pimperne roundel nr bus A354-

-Quote received from Coles Castings to recast and paint new roundel as old one is damaged- Quotation is £300.00. Full council have agreed to go ahead as CPRE have pledged a £200.00 grant towards this work.

**Clerk**

-Bench at Farquharson Arms bus stop has been removed- Clerk has emailed Hall and Woodhouse- Awaiting response.

**Clerk**

### **8. Urgent Matters-**

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- Nos 23 and 24 Church Road (see page 13, Pimperne Neighbourhood Plan):- this pair of semi-detached houses have been empty and boarded up for a considerable time with the accompanying decline in the external appearance/structure/roof of the dwellings. The surrounding gardens have become unkempt and overgrown. Correspondence to be forwarded to the owner of the properties to request his intentions with regard to the future of the houses and gardens. **Chairman/Clerk**

**-Farquharson Arms-**

- Councillors expressed reservations with regard to the possible application to register the property as a Community Asset. Further consideration ongoing. **Chairman**

**9. Planning**

**a) Applications:**

-02/2020/0582/HOUSE-White Lodge, Down Road-Erection of ground and first floor extensions, installation of balcony and alterations to form new roof.

-White Lodge - no objection to the extensions. The applicant's Heritage Statement states 'The garden is unique in that it is completely walled with most attractive brick, flint and cob walls with tiled capping. The house features pleasing elevations of whitened render under a tiled roof and offers spacious accommodation arranged over two floors.' Would not the pleasing elevations of whitened render be more appropriate than cedar board and retain the established relationship between the appearance of the house and the 'most attractive garden wall, a listed structure. If Dorset Council are minded to approve as currently the colours of the concrete tiles and cedar board would need to be agreed and conform to the requirements of the conservation area.

**Clerk/Chairman**

**b) Approved Applications-**

**c) Outstanding Applications**

-2/2020/0450/FUL- 31 The Close, Portman Road-Erect two storey extension.

2/2020/0535/HOUSE- Berkeley House, Church Rd, Erection of carport and store.

-02/2020/0409/FUL: Manor Farm Grain Store & Yards- Pending consideration.

-2/2019/1494-Land North of Manor Farm Close-14 Dwelling- Pending consideration.

-2/2019/1828/FUL- Stable Court, Down Road, Pimperne- Demolish Garage/ Workshop and erect 2 no. dwellings with associated development- Pending decision.

-02/2020/0183/FUL-The Pimperne Shop, Anvil Road, DT11 8UQ- Proposed demolition of existing shop/residential building, and The Lodge, Church Rd, and erection of 7. No. new houses, with surface parking, landscaping and altered access/egress driveway and associated landscaping- Pending consideration.

**d) Other Planning Issues**

-Former Methodist Chapel and Woodbury Site.

-Correspondence forwarded to Mr N Mulholland recording the further decay of the Chapel's structure and the overgrown state of the Woodbury site and requesting his intentions for the site. Mr Mulholland's representatives have visited the adjacent neighbour and advised that the remaining wall to Woodbury Cottage is in an unsatisfactory condition and the owner's vehicle should not be parked in the vicinity of the wall. The adjacent neighbour has advised the situation to Mr. Rory Foot, Dorset Council.

**Chairman**

### **Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan**

-The draft Decision Statement with regard to the Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan has been issued by Dorset Council with a consultation period ending 26/06/2020. The Decision Statement includes the revision of the Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan Constraints Plan in accordance with Item 15.3 of the Examiners Report. However, Item 15.4 -Phase 2 Scheme has not been included within the Decision Statement as contained within the Examiners Report. The above matters, together with the other items were clearly expressed in the Parish Council's response to the Examiners Report. We are therefore considering obtaining a legal opinion since, as matters stand, the integrity of the parish has not been safeguarded. Our partners the Cranborne Chase AONB and the CPRE have indicated willingness to contribute to the cost of obtaining a legal opinion, however the Cranborne Chase AONB would need to have the full support of their partnership board. The cost of obtaining the legal opinion would be £3,000.00 approx. The Parish Council's share of this cost would be approx. £1000.00.

Section 137 allows for the expenditure of public money to the best interest on the overall community.

-Full council agreed this expenditure.

**Chairman/Clerk**

### **-e) Tree Applications-**

#### **10. Former School Field**

-A response received from Mr M. Osborne Dorset Council records a delay in the execution of agreed work by DC to the boundary with no. 32 Boyte Road on account of the nesting bird survey. Mr Osborne, in addition, confirmed a 'carve out' of responsibility in respect of the above for inclusion within the proposed lease.

**Chairman**

#### **11. Finance.**

a) Financial Statement-Financial Statement for May approved via email.

b) Payment Approval: The Council approved the payment and instructed the signature of the following payments: Approval confirmed by Cllrs via email.

Clerks Salary	At agreed rate
HMRC PAYE	£ 84.60
Sevensioux	£ 20.00
London Hearts Defibrillator/Cabinet	£ 1,506.00
Currys PC World -Clerk Laptop/Software	£ 607.99
Hard drive for Archive storage	£ 28.59
Hardy Signs	£ 238.26
Viking printer ink	£ 106.79

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

##### **a) Tree Officer –**

-Saplings planted on Former School Field by Cllrs Sutton and Slocombe and Mr G. Krauss, a mix of rowan red cherry and silver birch- Watering duties are being executed by Mrs J. Fairman, Cllrs Sutton and Slocombe- All saplings seem to be doing well.

We extend our thanks to James Vaughan for supplying the water.

**Cllr Sutton**

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-White Ash-Chapel Lane. This tree has a TPO on it and had been causing a local resident to have problems with TV reception. Recently the owner of this tree had a dangerous branch removed resulting in better TV reception for the resident. **Cllr Sutton**

-Sycamore- Manor Farm Close- Tree overgrown and creating problems as resident concerned it is will cause problems with their roof. Reported to Dorset Council-Await response.

**Cllr Sutton**

-Fir Tree-Fiveways Cottages-Has grown very high and causing problems to resident. As the tree is healthy Dorset Council will not remove it, however should the resident decide to have it removed at their own expense, Dorset Council have no objections. **Cllr Sutton**

**b) Rights of Way:**

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

-School Lane Footpath –

-The order has been sealed and is ready for advertising, however DC have decided that legal orders should not be advertised during the Coronavirus lockdown. Non-essential site visits are not being made for safety reasons and due to restrictions, the matter may not be brought to full public attention. As soon as this situation is lifted the order will be advertised.

**Cllr Argles**

-Right of way, North of Paradise Farm to be cleared by Dorset Council rangers. **Cllr Argles**

**c) Highways:**

-Pimperne Village Signage- Under consideration

**Clerk/Chairman**

-20 MPH speed limit- To be raised with Dorset Council

**Clerk/Chairman**

**d) Village Hall**

-The new brick wall for the junction between the car park and the patio is now complete.

**Chairman**

-The village hall accounts have been passed to the internal auditor.

**Cllr Beckford**

**e) Flood Warden:**

-The stream was continuing to flow at the time the pump commenced. This clearly showed how high the water table had reached especially taking account of the extremely dry May.

Please be note of the danger of flash flooding along the A354.

**Cllr Tanner**

**f) DAPTC-**

-No current update

**Cllr Adams**

**g) Transport Officer**

-Transport Report: The Service 20 Blandford to Salisbury service is subject to emergency timetables. Although many journeys have been running as scheduled on published timetables travellers are strongly advised to check bus times for any specific journey in advance by using the 'Plan Your Journey' facility below:

<https://www.morebus.co.uk/plan-your-journey>

Those without internet access the telephone number for queries is 01202 338420. **Cllr Harman**

**h) Community Officer:** No update.

**13. Homewatch/ Speedwatch.**

-All relevant posters are now displayed on the new noticeboard in Church Rd. **Chairman**

**14. Calendar of Events and Training Plan-**

- Final date for approval of section 1 of annual return
- Significant variance report and Bank reconciliations

**Clerk  
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**15. Property Checks**

- a) General
- b) Play Areas- Now closed
- New signage prepared and ready for collection

**Chairman/Clerk**

**16. Post Office**

- The outreach Post Office at the village hall we re-open on 12/06/2020. There will not be a coffee morning.

**Chairman**

**17. Refurbished BT Box**

- Awaiting delivery of new defibrillator and cabinet. Training session to be organised when social distancing rules permit.
- Thank you to Portmore Electrical for agreeing FOC installation.

**18. Correspondence.**

- Bonfires: Current Dorset Council advice is not to have barbeques or bonfires as the current risk for wildfires is high. Wildfires are devastating to wildlife and habitats and put unnecessary strain on emergency services.
- Public Sector Bodies Website Accessibility Requirements-NALC Guidance. A statement and action plan needs to be in place by September 23<sup>rd</sup>-Further investigation and discussion required.
- Blandford Car Parks are now accepting cash payments.
- DAPTC-Current status of Salisbury Hospital- reduction in Covid 19 patients, return to normal operation.
- DAPTC-Dorset Council, consideration of notice of concern for social distancing, widening footpaths, cycle lanes, road closures, measures outside of schools. **Clerk/Chairman**

**19. Items for the next Agenda**

**22. NEXT MEETING-** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 7pm.