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## **PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020 held via Zoom.

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr Sherry Jespersen

**NON-ATTENDEES:**

**1: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

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

**3. DISPENSATIONS:** None required

**4. MINUTES:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> September were approved.

**5. HILLFORTS WARD REPORT:**

Cllr Jespersen spoke of the importance in responding to the Governments White Paper Survey- as this means big changes for how housing numbers are determined in the future and could potentially mean that the housing requirements targets could double for Dorset. The Government will decide on land that will be allocated for houses and consultations will only be taken into consideration if an application is made to build houses on 'protected or conservation areas'. Care must be taken when answering the questions as a yes answer with conditions or specifications will only be considered as a yes, and additional comments will not be taken into consideration.

**6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:**

Mr Armitage thanked the PC for their work in obtaining new road markings from the Hilltop Roundabout down towards Letton. He also enquired whether there was any update regarding the Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Jespersen and Cllr Slocombe both confirmed that the matter was still in the hands of Dorset Council's legal team.

**7. Matters Arising**

-Sevensioux are currently updating the website in line with the Government Accessibility Guidelines, a statement of intent will be published on the website this week.

-The Pimperne roundel has now been fixed back into its position near the bus shelter on the A354.

-Nos 23 & 24 Church Road are now up for auction Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October as 2 separate cottages and a parcel of land.

**8. Urgent Matters--**

-Dorset Council recently published the 'Call for Sites' which include as an area for development land from Letton to Hammetts Farm, land above the proposed 14 dwellings North of Manor Farm Close, plus the Farquharson Arms site, this is of great concern for Pimperne, findings will come out January 2021.

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**a. Planning Applications**

-No new applications.

**b) Approved applications**

**c) Outstanding Applications**

-2/2020/1068/HOUSE- Gladimere, Salisbury Rd -Erection of single storey front and side extension with raised decking- No objection.

-02/2020/0995/OUT- The Long House Land at Salisbury Rd- Develop land by the erection of up to 5 no. dwellings, form vehicular access and parking, (outline application to determine access).

-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

**d) Other Planning Issues**

-Former Methodist Chapel and Woodbury Site -Further communication has been sent to Mr Mulholland requesting update re his plans- No response received. **Clerk/Chairman**

-The changes by Dorset Council to the planning pages of their website has rendered the Clerks planning portal inaccessible possibly until February 2021. Cllr Jespersen said she would reiterate the importance of this portal for Clerks. **Clerk/Chairman**

**-e) Tree Applications-None**

-DC Tree Officer Andy Beale is looking at replacing the tree that fell in Portman Road. Cllr Slocombe to invite him to meet to discuss any other trees to be replaced in that area.

**Chairman/Clerk**

**10. Former School Field**

-The resident at no. 32 Boyte Road has contacted Cllr Slocombe as he is unhappy with DC's proposals for his boundary and is taking the matter to law. PPC have requested that this boundary be taken out of the lease in order for things to move forward and to avoid future problems. **Clerk/Chairman**

**11. Finance.**

a) Financial Statement-Financial Statement for September approved.

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

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| Clerks Salary     | At agreed rate |
| HMRC PAYE         | £ 84.60        |
| Sevensioux        | £ 10.00        |
| Zoom Subscription | £ 143.88       |

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| Martin Park Grass Cutting | £ 1,036.80  |
| Dorset Consultancy        | *£ 3,600.00 |

\*Note: Cranborne Chase AONB and the CPRE will be contributing £1,000.00 each towards the above invoice for Dorset Consultancy.

c) Results of the external audit are still awaited as the deadline has been extended to the end of November due to Covid 19 restrictions.

d) Financial Regulations and Asset register being reviewed for adoption at November's meeting.  
**Clerk**

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

### **a) Tree Officer –**

- Saplings planted on the former school field mostly doing well apart from 2 which will be replaced in November by Cllr Sutton. **Cllr Sutton**

-DC have agreed to remove the Sycamore tree, Manor Farm Close and replace. **Cllr Sutton**

### **b) Rights of Way:**

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

-School Lane Footpath –Now on definitive map **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**

-All Covid 19 secure measures are in place, however all group bookings are now on hold awaiting further Government instructions. **Chairman**

### **e) Flood Warden:**

-The beginning of October has been exceptionally wet and windy, however flood either ground or surface water has not occurred. This is the time of year to check supplies and emergency plan if you are in a part of Pimperne that might be subject to flooding have been looked at and updated as necessary.

-Do not forget the Environment Agencies alert line and host of information leaflets etc. are freely available. Just Google Environment Agency.

-PC to contact Environment Agency regarding grills being install to the culverts in the brook.  
**Cllr Tanner**

### **f) DAPTC-**

-AGM to be held 23/10/2020, Cllr Adams unable to attend-Cllr Slocombe to attend via Zoom  
**Cllr Adams/Chairman**

### **g) Transport Officer**

- New timetables from the 1<sup>st</sup> September- No changes for Pimperne. **Cllr Harman**

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

**13. Homewatch/ Speedwatch.**

-Speedwatch has recommenced on a regular basis- traffic levels are now back to pre-Covid levels.

-Noted that vehicle movements are up to 720 no. per hour (inc. traffic both ways). **Chairman**

**14. Calendar of events and Training plan.**

-Commence budget for 2021/2022

**15. Property checks**

**a) General**

**b) Play Areas:**

-Roof to the youth shelter in the multi play area has a missing bolt and fencing surrounding the play area now repaired **Cllr Beckford/Chairman**

-A new softwood ladder has been installed with a rope handrail to replace the existing ladder which had rotted away in places, the play area was closed for 1 day all school pupils were informed. **Chairman**

-Bark needs replacing as it has become patchy in some areas particularly underneath the swings. **Chairman**

-Annual inspection of play areas to take place in November. **Clerk/ Chairman**

**16. Pimperne Village News.**

-Our thanks to Martin Richley for his hard work producing the Autumn edition of the Village News, being distributed this week. **Clerk / Chairman**

**17. Items for the next Agenda-**

-SID (Speed Indication Device).

**18. Correspondence-**

-Martin Strange has suggested that the area surrounding the newly planted saplings in the former school field should be a wild-flower meadow- all agreed this was a good idea.

-We would like to remind residents that neighbours should be advised prior to bonfires being lit.

-Dorset Council Highways have advised the PC that Bushes Road, Stourpaine will be closed on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> October for BT works to be completed.

**19. Date & time of next Parish Council meeting**

Next meeting: November 11<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.