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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday, 11th September, 2013, at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllrs. P. Slocombe (Chairman), D. Andrews, D. Hart, D. Mackenzie, J. Tanner

IN ATTENDANCE: S. Bamforth (Clerk)
1 member of the public was present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllrs Argles, Barker, District Cllr Oliver and County Cllr Croney.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Hart noted his change of interest in land.

3. DISPENSATIONS: none required.

4. MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th August, 2013.

5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT was received by the Council.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT had been received by e-mail.

7. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD

Concern was raised about the application to re-classify parts of Bridleways 13 and 17 as a byway open to all traffic.

8. MATTERS ARISING

a) Possible relocation of dog waste bin: the Clerk reported that Dorset Waste Partnership had recorded full use of all the bins and so none could be moved; the Council would ask them to look again at the bins near the school once the new school was built. The Clerk would ask Cllr Argles to raise with Highways the possibility of moving the bin near Chestnut Farm. **Clerk, Cllr Argles**

9. PLANNING

a) The following application had been approved:

2/2013/0621/PLNG 2, Parr Grove, Pimperne, Blandford Forum, Dorset: erect 1 single storey rear extension and 1.9m high screen wall.

The Clerk would check if planning application 2/2013/0766/PLNG (Woodbury, 10 Chapel Lane, Pimperne) was going to committee and if so on what date. **Clerk**

b) The Council considered the following new application:

2/2013/0867/PLNG Taymix Transport Ltd, Salisbury Road, Pimperne, Blandford Forum, Dorset: install solar panels on roof of warehouse extension. The Council had no objections, provided the panels were of a shade that was sympathetic to the environment.

c) There were no applications for works to trees in the conservation area.

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10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Council deferred any further decision until the next meeting.

11. NEW PIMPERNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council's land transfer had been signed on 22nd August and the village hall easement and licence on 29th August; completion was expected on 12th September.

12. FINANCES

a) The Clerk presented a written financial statement for August, showing details of income and expenditure, set against budget, noting that cheque 1101 had been for £29.40, not £23.40.

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

		At agreed rate
1103	S Bamforth - Clerk's Salary August incl back pay	
1104	S Bamforth - Clerk's Expenses August	54.50
1105	Countryside Services play area grass cutting	660.00
1106	BDO LLP - External Audit	120.00
1107	Pimperne PCC cemetery maintenance	700.00
1108	N Dorset CAB - grant	50.00
1109	NDDC Blandford Leisure Centre grant	50.00
1110	Blandford Forum Town Council- grant lavatories	50.00

c) The Council approved and accepted the Annual Return and noted the internal auditor's satisfactory report.

13. OFFICERS' AND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

a) **DT11:** The Chairman reported that a suitable site for a community resource centre for Blandford was still being sought; a source of funding had also to be identified.

b) **Tree Officer:** Cllr Hart reported that the PPC could obtain trees from the Woodland Trust; Cllr Andrews would ask Mr Truswell about planting them on the Sports Field. **Cllr Andrews**

c) **Rights of Way:** Cllr Barker's report had been received by e-mail; Cllr Tanner would liaise with her about alerting the dog warden to out of control dogs. The Clerk would write to the householder at 2 Hyde Gardens, pointing out the problem created by the garden rubbish deposited on the far side of their hedge. The continuing need for a dog waste bin at the top of FP 10 in the caravan field would be included in the agenda for the next meeting.

Cllrs Barker, Tanner, Clerk

d) **Highways Officer:** Cllr Argles would be asked to visit Mr McCarthy again to discuss the problem of parking and to raise with Highways the need for cul de sac signs in Old Bakery Close, Portman Road and School Lane and the deteriorating condition of the bollards opposite the Farquharson Arms.

Cllr Argles, Clerk

e) **Pimperne Primary School:** Cllr Tanner reported that an intense cleaning session had taken place, that the forecast numbers for the reception class were good and that an open morning was planned.

f) **Village Hall:** nothing to report.

g) **Flood Warden:** Cllr Tanner suggested that Cllr Argles ask Dorset CC to clear out the stream bed again.

Cllr Argles, Clerk

h) **DAPTC:** the Clerk would forward to councillors the minutes of the last Area meeting. **Clerk.**

i) **Homewatch:** Cllr Andrews reported that there had been fewer incidents reported during the Steam Fair this year.

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14. RIGHTS OF WAY

Cll Tanner noted that his comments did not predetermine any views he might express as a member of the NDDC licensing Committee. The Council discussed the application to upgrade parts of Bridleways 13 and 17; the Clerk would liaise with Cllr Barker on the Council's response.

Clerk, Cllr Barker

15. ASSET REGISTER, RISK ASSESSMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS AND INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Council approved the documents as circulated; the Clerk would forward the internal audit check list for completion by the internal auditor. The Council approved the renewal of the insurance policy and approved the payment and signature of cheque 1111 for £839.92.

Clerk

16. BUS SHELTERS

The Council would ask County Cllr Croney to help if Highways did not provide the required information on replacing the bus shelter.

Clerk

17. DCC CONSULTATION ON BUS SERVICES

The Clerk would forward the Council's comments.

Clerk

18. VILLAGE AWARD

The Council approved the idea of an award for contribution to the community at the Annual Parish Meeting; Cllr Mackenzie would publish the Spring newsletter in the middle of March to allow the invitation of nominations.

Cllr Mackenzie

19. FOI PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Clerk and Cllr Mackenzie had agreed the documents to be put on Parish Council website; the Chairman thanked Cllr Mackenzie for her work in uploading the documents.

20. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The need to send the audit check list to the internal auditor would be added to April.

Clerk

21. TRAINING

a) The Council approved Cllr Mackenzie's attendance at the DAPTC Finance Update event and the Clerk's attendance at the Clerks' seminar.

b) The Clerk would sign Cllr Argles up for the Councillor Update event.

Clerk

22. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Police and Crime Commissioner; request for views on PACTS: noted

b) Blandford Forum Town Council; invitation to Neighbourhood Planning & Community Rights presentation on 4th November. Cllr Mackenzie to attend as well as other councillors.

Clerk

c) Police and Crime Commissioner; invitation on to Community Engagement Forum on 17th September: Cllr Tanner to attend, seeking information about the future of Safer Neighbourhood Teams.

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23. PROPERTY CHECK

The Council noted Cllr Argles' report; no action required at present.

24. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- a) To consider budget proposals
- b) To consider installation of dog bin in Caravan Field

25. The time and date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7.00pm on Wednesday, 9th October, 2013, in the Village Hall.

The meeting ended at 9.23 pm.