

# **WINFRITH NEWBURGH & EAST KNIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

In the Winfrith Village Hall

Starting at 7pm

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## **Councillors present**

Amanda Williams (chairman), Mick Glassborow, Brenda Mustoe, Nic Johnson, Charles Smith and Paul Nelson.

## **Parishioners**

Mr MacLean, Mrs Yonwin and Mrs Sonner

Clerk – Mandy Stephens

Purbeck District Councillor Barry Quinn

Dorset County Councillor Cherry Brooks.

## **1 Apologies**

482. Cllr Ruth Evans

## **2. Parishioners open forum**

483. The Chairman invited the parishioners to talk for approx. 5 mins on any agenda or none agenda item.

484. No issues were raised.

## **3. Minutes – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

485. The Chairman asked the Cllrs if they agreed the above minutes. They all agreed so the Chairman (on behalf of the vice-chair as she was not present at the meeting) signed them off as a true record.

486. It was agreed by the full council that on future minutes that the reason for a Cllrs absence from a council meeting shall not be minuted.

## **4. Declaration of interest**

487. None.

## **5. Matters arising**

488. None.

## **6. District / County Councillor's update**

489. Report from Purbeck District Cllr Barry Quinn

### **Local Government Reorganisation**

The Secretary of State gave his decision to implement two Unitary Councils for Dorset on 26 February. The Structural Change Order is now laid before Parliament for 40 days to see if there are any further objections. This late decision however means that time is very tight to achieve a smooth transition to the new council which will be a District Council with County functions but

follow the County electoral cycle. So as 2019 would be the district elections the initial two terms for the new Dorset Council will be for 5 years to bring it in line with the County electoral cycle. The parishes will now also follow that pattern. There are 10 Task and Finish Groups that have been set up to establish the structures and operating functions of the new Dorset Council. Some of these were briefed at the DAPTC annual conference last Friday. It is unclear how much or what will be delegated to the parish and town councils but the Leader of DCC was reminded that the P&TCs are largely made up of volunteers and some struggle to co-opt new members. It is unclear what will happen at Christchurch Borough Council when they meet to discuss on 20 March and what impact if any that this will have on the process. However the Counsel's advice to Christchurch Borough Council (published as part of the agenda papers) is that there are no grounds for a Judicial Review.

#### Local Plan Review

Consultation closes 12 March and to date we have had around 5000 responses. The last consultation event was held at Moreton on Saturday 10 March and some events were rearranged because of the snow. Further updates will be given as we start to analyse the data.

#### Waste Collections

Dorset Waste Partnership worked very hard during the recent bad weather and caught up with missed collections over last week. In East Stoke which was one of the last areas to have their waste collected all bins were emptied on Friday 9 March. A good effort was made on the part of DWP.

#### Cycling Events

The Jurassic BEAST Event is on the agenda at item 19 but at the February Purbeck District Council meeting we were asked what we were doing about controlling such events. Cllr Quinn had contacted our two Purbeck MPs about 18 months ago because the legislation is decades old and in need of updating. Richard Drax MP agreed to take this up with the Minister. The response which has been forwarded by Richard Drax shows that the Minister did not actually answer the exam question so this will have to be chased up again.

490. Report from Dorset County Cllr Cherry Brooks

LGR is now official but will let Barry expand on this more.

Storm Emma – 25 gritters were fitted with snow ploughs. Every sector helped out and coped well with the conditions. If your grit bins need filling up go onto The dorsetforyou website to request this.

Finance- the overspend predicted figure was 4.4 million, it was actually 4.2 million. Thank you to all the councils for helping to get this figure down.

Dorset care record has gone live now.

491. Cllr Cherry Brooks left at 19.40 to attend another PC meeting.

## **7. Safety through the Village**

492. Cllr Mustoe is still pursuing the costings for the finger posts with Sam Jackson from PDC but to date he has not got back to her. She asked the Cllrs if they wished for her to continue with this.

493. The full council agreed for her to continue.

494. Cllr Barry Quinn left the meeting at 19.55hrs.

## **8. Plans to develop land adjacent to the Red Lion Public House**

495. Liz Abraham from Hall & Woodhouse will attend the next meeting to update the Cllrs on this proposal.

## **9. Tree planning**

496. Mr Wilkins, Robins Wood – 1 Cedar to fell and 2 x Silver Birch to fell

497. Mr Coomber, East Fossil Farmhouse - Cherry to reduce by 2-4ft. Gleditsia triacanthos – to remove branches which are leaning on and damaging garage roof. Hornbeam to fell.

498. 16 Longcuts – willow to lift branches over road by 3m. Cotoneaster to lift all branches over road and cut back from property by 2m. Winfrith Conservation area.

499. The council had no objection to the applications. The clerk will inform PDC.

## **10. Planning application**

500. None.

## **11. Improvement to playground & additional playground equipment for the older children**

501. One quote came back at a cost of 25k for two pieces of equipment which is very expensive. Cllr Mustoe is now waiting to hear from DCC for a quote.

## **12. Pavilion on the playing field**

502. Cllr Nelson reported that there were 3 leaks in the pavilion. Two have been repaired with one still outstanding. April will be the big clean up and painting.

## **13. Speed watch report**

503. No report for this meeting.

## **14. Moving the banner**

504. Cllr Johnson is dealing with this.

## **15. Cutting back the hedge row on water lane**

505. Riverside services quoted £125 plus vat to cut this section back.

The full council agreed to this amount.

## **16. Council's comments on the new homes for Purbeck**

506. The Cllrs had a separate meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to fill out the form on behalf of the council.

## **17. Car entering the playing field by the gate opposite the village hall.**

507. Mr Andy Turney gave the council his permission to put a lock on the gate. The lock is now in place. The clerk and Mr Peter Bridle have the lock number.

## **18. Dorset youth Services –donation**

508. The full council agreed that due to lack of funds any money they did have would be used more locally.

### **19. Bike ride on the 19<sup>th</sup> May**

509. The clerk sent the Cllrs the information on the bike ride and asked if they had any comments on this

510. The council had no comments to make.

### **20. General data protection regulations update (GDPR)**

511. The clerk asked the council if she could attend the above training course on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at a cost of £25.

512. The full council agreed to the clerk attending the course.

### **21. Risk assessment**

513. The council made no changes to the document.

### **22. Committee reports**

#### School Governors

514. No report.

#### Daptc

515. No report.

#### Rights of Way

516. No report.

#### Transport

517. No report.

#### Flood Plan

518. No report.

#### Village hall

519. No report

#### Playground / recreation

520. No report.

#### Tree & hedgerow

521. No report.

#### Crime prevention

522. A quad bike was stolen from a property in Coombe Keynes.

#### Village maintenance

523. No report.

#### Stake holder

524. A Stake Holder meeting is on the 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### **23. Clerk's monthly financial report & general report**

525. The clerk issued the financial report.

526. Proposed by Cllr Mustoe and seconded by Cllr Nelson.

527. Four cheques needed to be signed for. They are for A Stephens (wages £312.57), Wessex Ground Services (£389.50), Village hall rent (£36.00) and The Weld Estate rent (£375.00).

528. Proposed by Cllr Nelson and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

529. The clerk issued the Cllrs with the end of year accounts for 2017 / 2018.

530. The full council agreed to the figures.

#### **24. Cllr Paul Nelson resignation from the council**

531. Due to being relocated out of the area Cllr Paul Nelson has had to resign. His time was short but he contributed a lot to the pavilion. He will continue to be involved with the pavilion. The council would like to thank him for his time and wish him all the best for the future.

532. There is now a vacancy on the council. If you would like to join please contact the clerk.

#### **25. Correspondence**

533. None.

#### **26. Matters of interest & Information**

534. Cllr Smith attended the Moreton meeting about the future housing and was impressed with the Cllrs from Langton Matravers, on how they were on the door making their feelings known.

#### **27. Items for the next agenda**

535. None

#### **28. Date of next meeting**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10hrs.