

**CRANBORNE AND EDMONDSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
in The Cecil Memorial Hall, Cranborne.

PRESENT: Cllr. Dr. J. Turner (Chair), Cllrs Mrs Batten, Isaacs, and Packman.  
Cllrs. Hayward, Morse and Stirling.  
District & County Cllr Butler. Clerk Mrs S Fairchild.

1. Open Forum. Mr & Mrs Lopez were in attendance. They spoke about their wall and their disappointment at not gaining planning permission to rebuild the wall with a new opening onto Swan Street. Mrs Lopez said that when she attended the parish council meeting previously she was led to believe that the members had said that they would support the rebuilding of the wall with the new opening. The Chairman and members unanimously agreed that they had not said that at all. Mrs Lopez said that she must have got confused. Mrs Lopez said that initially it wasn't their intention to rebuild the wall as they now want too but because the wall fell down they have no choice, they just cannot afford a total rebuild. The Chairman said that he was sorry that they are finding it difficult financially but the parish council wanted to see the wall reinstated. He said that the stainless steel strips and bolts were not in keeping to the area especially as it is a conservation area. Mrs Lopez gave the impression that these were temporary even though Kathryn Melhuish, Conservation Officer, had said that they were permanent in the latest email that the clerk has received. There was further discussion re the wall and the culvert that runs underneath it. Mrs Lopez said that she has a structural report that was done on the wall. The Chairman asked if Kathryn Melhuish had seen the report and Mrs Lopez said that she hasn't, she said that no-one has seen it. The Chairman said that she must send it to Kathryn Melhuish for her to read. Mr & Mrs Lopez confirmed that they will appeal the decision from district council. They thanked the members and left the meeting. Clerk to reply to Kathryn Melhuish's email.

*Action Clerk*

2. Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Mrs Butter, Mrs Mackenzie and also from Michael Campbell.
3. Disclosure of Interests. None.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016 were accepted as an accurate record and duly authorised and there were no matters arising.
5. **PLANNING**
  - 5.1 3/16/0364/FUL – Refurbish/Rebuild pig sty, for B2 use (woodturning workshop) provide septic tank (part retrospective) at Holwell Farm, Cranborne.  
*Permission Granted*
  - 5.2 3/16/1673/FUL – Replace collapsed boundary wall utilising original brickwork, include new access on to Swan Street at 3 High Street, Cranborne.  
*Permission Refused.*

- 5.3 3/16/2694/TCA – Ash, reduce branch at 4 Orchard Close, Edmondsham.  
*No Objections, Permission Granted.*
- 5.4 3/16/2167/LB – Further revision to approval 3/15/1166/LBC. During roof opening up works significant structural defects have been uncovered in the principal truss frames spanning bedrooms 2 & 3. It is proposed to add either a single purlin spanning from spine wall to chimney, strapped to the collar/truss or remove the two purlin sections and replace with a single timber located in the existing joint, again spanning between the points of support. The structural engineer is proposing that the truss is supported by the addition of two new purlins to unify the structure and transfer the loads to existing walls. In addition to this, it is proposed that the works to unify two dormer windows into one wider version (as approved) is altered to retain the existing bedroom dormer and form a separate new dormer for the bathroom to avoid concentration of additional structural changes and loads across already weakened roof frame components at 10 Grugs Lane, Cranborne.  
*No Objections.*

## 6. **DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL & DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

- 6.1 Cllr Butler Reports. Cllr Butler talked about his report on his personal view on the Local Government Reform (LGR) which has been emailed to all members. A discussion took place. The Chairman said that he was concerned that town and parish councils had not been consulted. Cllr Hayward asked whether the income to the new arrangement is the same as it is now and Cllr Butler confirmed that it is.

## 7. **PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**

- 7.1 Co-option of Fiona Vigar and Michael Campbell. The members agreed to co-opt.  
Proposed : Cllr Mrs Batten                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Isaacs. All agreed.
- 7.2 Chairman's report. The Chairman said that the carols around the Christmas tree was a successful evening and £600 was raised which would be given to the Trussle Trust. It was asked who decides on the charity and the Chairman confirmed that it is the Phoenix Investment Group who host the evening providing mulled wine.
- 7.3 ROW. Nothing to report.
- 7.4 Playarea. The clerk confirmed that she has received an email from Wicksteed to confirm that all works to the 'birds nest swing' were now complete.
- 7.5 Website. Latest statistics have been emailed to all members.
- 7.6 Highways. The clerk has forwarded to all members details of the temporary closure of the B3081, Sutton, from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> January in order for the Shaftesbury Estate to carry out tree works.
- 7.7 Flytipping. Continues to be a problem. The Chairman added that Batterley Drove seems to be a problem again with lots of rubbish in the verge. He said that he quite

often sees a gentleman down there picking up the rubbish and yet DWP won't come out because of the danger involved. Steve Butler to talk to Dave Nichols.

***Action Cllr Butler***

- 7.8 Defibrillator. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said that she would ask Eric Stevens at the next club meeting re further training.
- 7.9 Annual Parish Council Project. The sub-committee were going to look into applying for funding for the war memorial in Cranborne to be refurbished and the clerk has passed information to Cllr Mrs Packman. The clerk also confirmed that if the sub-committee meet it is a statutory requirement that the clerk attend to take minutes. Cllr Mrs Isaacs asked for the war memorial in the grounds of Edmondsham Church to be included in this project.
- 7.10 Transport. Cllr Hayward said that he had nothing to report. Cllr Mrs Batten said that she had been told how good the green community bus was, picking people up from their own front door. Clerk asked to write a letter from the parish council to Dorset Community Transport at Blandford congratulating and thanking them on such a good service.
- 7.11 Tree Survey. A quote has been received from idVerde (formally Banyards) advising that they charge £75.00 for the first tree and then £5.00 for every tree thereafter. They advise that should the works from the survey be accepted they will reduce the cost for the survey fee. All agreed to go ahead. Clerk to contact.  
Proposed : Cllr Mrs Isaacs                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Batten
- Action Clerk***
- 7.12 Village Hall, Cranbone. The Chairman said that as we now we know that the village hall belongs to the parish council (we pay a peppercorn rent for the lease of the land it stands on) it needs to be added to the asset register. In order to do this we need to get it valued and this is happening tomorrow. The clerk has organised for Tom Schouten from Symonds and Sampson to come along and value the property at a reduced rate agreed by Andrew Robinson. Cllr Mrs Vigar will show him around.  
Also, it is requested from the managing committee of the hall that an annual report and accounts should be presented to the parish council. Cllr Mrs Vigar said that she will organise this. Cllr Mrs Isaacs advised that in Edmondsham they combine the AGM of the village hall with the annual parish meeting and that perhaps Cranborne should look to do the same.
- 7.13 Cranborne Village Hall. No report due as Cllr Mrs Mackenzie absent.
- 7.14 Edmondsham Village Hall. Cllr Morse said that they were getting help in applying for funding. Cllr Mrs Vigar said that she could probably help if they wished.
- 7.15 CASC. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said that they have successfully recruited 2 new members of staff as Eileen is retiring. A vacancy for the PC representative remains.

7.16 DAPTC. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said the date of the next meeting is 23<sup>rd</sup> January and both herself and Cllr Mrs Batten will be attending.

7.17 Police. Newsletter has been emailed to all councillors.

## 8. FINANCE

8.1 To approve the following payments :-

**£10.00** – Mrs M Giles, ‘thank you’ payment for electricity used for Xmas tree lights in Edmondsham

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Isaacs                      Seconded : Cllr Hayward

**£10.00** – Mr J Clarke, ‘thank you’ payment for electricity used for Xmas tree lights in Cranborne

Proposed : Cllr Morse                              Seconded : Cllr Mrs Vigar

**£48.62** – Elite Playground Inspections for playarea inspection 11/1/17

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Isaacs                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Vigar

**£112.63** – Mrs SE Fairchild, clerk’s expenses 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2016/17 (Oct-Dec)

Proposed : Cllr Hayward                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Batten

**£22.00** – Mrs E Isaacs, for colour printer cartridge

Proposed : Cllr Morse                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Packman

8.2 Request for grant from East Dorset Tourist Information Centre. A discussion was held. Clerk confirmed that no grant was paid last year and that we are currently overspent on our donations/grants budget. Agree by all members not to donate any monies due to not having any spare in this financial year.

*Action Clerk*

## 9. FOR REPORT ONLY

- *Cllr Mrs Batten* – fingerpost on The Square junction broken again. She said that the buses knock it with their wing mirrors. If it was to be made shorter it wouldn’t happen plus it has a large crack in it. Clerk to contact Kevin Ridge.

*Action Clerk*

- *Cllr Mrs Vigar* – 1. applied for funding from AONB for wifi for village hall and website and was successful. Website at the draft stage at the moment, either a web company or maybe someone in the village will create. Phase 1 – community website, phase 2 – add businesses in  
2. hoping to place new lights on the gate posts of the village hall. New ‘No Parking’ sign. Illuminated boards.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.