

**CRANBORNE AND EDMONDSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017  
in The Cecil Memorial Hall, Cranborne.

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

1. Open Forum. Mr Lawrence Blake of 15 Water Street was present and spoke about the current problem in the car park of parked vehicles that block the access to Water Street. He talked about not being able to get to his property and the verbal abuse that he gets for asking people to move. The Chairman advised Mr Blake that the highways department had been out to the site and assessed the situation and they had agreed to re-white line the existing car park bays and the two 'KEEP CLEAR' areas in the hope that this would stop the inconsiderate parking. He said that Highways have asked us to monitor the situation and report the incidents to both themselves and the police. Cllr Mrs Vigar added that the village hall would upgrade their sign also. The Chairman thanked Mr Lawrence for attending. He then left the meeting. Two emails from Mrs Annie Noble and Mr David Elliott viewed by the members.
2. Apologies for absence. None.
3. Disclosure of Interests. Cllr Dr Turner and Cllr Mrs Mackenzie for item 5.2 and Cllr Mrs Isaacs and Cllr Campbell for item 8.1.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were accepted as an accurate record and duly authorised and there were no matters arising.
5. **PLANNING**
  - 5.1 3/16/2534/LB – Repairs to the roof of Manor Bungalow, Cranborne.  
*No Objections, 1 Abstention.*
  - 5.2 3/17/0328/TCA – Fell T1 & T2 Crab Tree at Manor View House, Cranborne.  
*No Objections.*
  - 5.3 3/17/0270/TCA – Fell Oak on land adjacent to 'Wingsdown', Edmondsham.  
*1 support, 2 object, 1 abstention.*  
*Email of 16/2/17 re TPO now placed on tree.*
  - 5.4 3/16/2929/PNAGF – Change of Use from Agriculture to Flexible Commercial to include internal alterations to form 2 WC's and a kitchenette at Holwell Farm, Cranborne.  
*For information, Permission not required as work constitutes permitted development.*
6. **DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL & DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**
  - 6.1 Cllr Butler Reports. Items reported on: EDDC voted against unitary authority and

update of this situation, the county council elections in May and the NHS reviews and survey. There were no questions for Cllr Butler.

## 7. PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

- 7.1 Chairman's Report. The Chairman talked about flytipping on Batterley Drove and in the area generally. He said that we have received an email from Alderholt Parish Council advising that a member of public has complained about the amount of rubbish on Batterley Drove and they have passed this to us as this is in our parish. Dave Nicholls of DWP is currently trying to organise a litter pick on this road and will let us know when this happens. Other councillors agreed that the flytipping/litter dropping did seem to have got worse with the verges strewn in litter. The clerk has reported all areas to DWP that have been reported to her and members confirmed that they have also reported the same. It appears that rubbish is sitting in laybys and on verges for more than a week after reporting. Cllr Butler asked for all to send him copies of the incident reports.

*Post Meeting Note: Dave Nicholls has arranged a litter pick of Batterley Drove on 2<sup>nd</sup> March.*

- 7.2 ROW. No update.

- 7.3 Playarea. The clerk said that she had received an email from Elite Playground Inspections regarding a new system that Steve Day was to use for recording the inspection of the playarea. If we wish to use the new system this would cost us an extra £3.60 per inspection. The way in which he reports to us will not change but we would be able to access the database when given permission to do so. Members agreed to leave the reporting system as it currently is. Clerk to advise Steve Day.

*Action Clerk*

- 7.4 Website. Statistics emailed to all members.

- 7.5 Highways. Temporary Road Traffic Regulation Order for the B3078 at Lower Holwell House to take effect from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March between the hours of 0900 and 1600. The Chairman said that he felt it was to do with the flooding of the road at this point.

The clerk advised that she had met with Mark Adams, Technical Officer and Pat Waterman, Community Highway Officer, both of County Council, to discuss the parking issues in the car park in Water Street. They were reluctant to put a 'grid' type box in front of the entrance to Water Street because they felt that it could make the situation worse and also because they really don't like putting in any form of painted lines in rural areas. They will only do this as a very last resort. However, they agreed to re-white line the existing parking bays and the existing two 'KEEP CLEAR' signs. They asked us to monitor the situation for a while to see if there is an improvement and if not they will consider doing something at this time.

The clerk said that she has received emails from Mr & Mrs Knight who now live in The Old Post Office in Wimborne Street, regarding the difficulty they are having in getting in and out of their property. The clerk has written and explained about the survey that was carried out with the village and that the data from this survey

showed that residents do not want to see yellow lines in the village and this was accepted by council at that time. Mr Knight has explained that he is very willing to pay for a short white line to be painted opposite his property to stop their exit from being blocked. However, the clerk spoke with her two highways contacts on the site visit to the car park and they agreed that County Council Highways could not support this at all. The clerk has since advised Mr & Mrs Knight re this. She also offered them the use of two no parking cones which are now on the road opposite the property.

The clerk has also received an email from Lee Norton advising that the estate will be upgrading and resurfacing the track that runs from the village hall to No 12 Water Street and this is hoped to be completed by April.

*Post Meeting Note: Confirmed by Lee Norton that works to the track is to commence week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> March.*

7.6 Flytipping. Covered by the Chairman under item 7.1.

7.7 Defibrillator. Cllr Mrs Isaacs advised that this was ongoing.

7.8 Annual Parish Council Project. Cllr Mrs Packman said that she has received the paper work from the clerk for the war memorial grant. It looks like we will require 4 quotes due to it being a larger repair. The clerk has not received any quotes regarding a new parish council noticeboard and will chase Cris Stockley.

*Action Clerk*

7.9 Transport. An email had been received in response to the 'thank you' letter sent to DCT for the 'green bus' that services Cranborne and Edmondsham. The Chairman asked the clerk to email and ask where their funding came from. DCT has replied that the 97 bus which is operated by Damory and partly sub-contracted to DCT, is carried out under contract to DCC which subsidises the service.

7.10 Tree Survey. Idverde have now completed the tree survey and have identified out of the 20 trees surveyed that approx. 15 trees require work at a cost of £2589.00. However, as most of those trees have electrical cables running through them they would need to contact SSE to arrange shutdown of the electric at a cost of £2025.00. Total cost therefore would be £4614.00. Cllr Vigar advised that SSE come out and cut the trees where the cables are and that we should contact them. The Chairman said that we have previously tried that and were told that they wouldn't trim the trees. Clerk to try SSE again.

*Action Clerk*

7.11 Fingerpost, The Square. Kevin Ridge has looked at the fingerpost in The Square and has advised that it is possible to cut the size down. However, as the sign is double sided it requires 82 letters which cost £4.00 each as they are specially made to match the existing letters. Together with a new board costing around £40.00 plus VAT the total cost is approx. £442.00 before any charge for labour. The clerk has talked to the highways guys when they had their meeting and they were happy that if council didn't want to spend that amount of money then we could take the sign

down and not replace at all. Members agreed to take down and not replace. Clerk to advise Kevin Ridge.

**Action Clerk**

- 7.12 HSBC Bank Account, Jubilee Committee. The clerk said that she had received a letter from HSBC as the account used for the Jubilee celebrations has been inactive for more than a year. She said that there is currently £111.59 in the account plus she has £52.50 in cash for the extra mugs that were sold. Also, in the parish council bank account there is currently £730.00 remaining from the parish plan and again £52.02 in cash which was the remains of cash used to pay for drinks and nibbles when the plan was launched. She suggested that all the money from the jubilee be transferred/paid into the parish council account and added to the parish plan money and retitled Parish Council Community Project fund. All members agreed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Isaacs, seconded by Cllr Mrs Mackenzie.

**Action Clerk**

- 7.13. Training for New Councillors. The clerk advised that the DAPTC is holding a training session for new councillors on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May from 10am-12pm at the Dorset Youth Association in Dorchester. She offered the course to Cllrs Mrs Vigar, Campbell and Stirling but only Cllr Mrs Vigar agreed to go and the two others confirmed that they were not available that day. Clerk to book Cllr Mrs Vigar onto the course.

**Action Clerk**

- 7.14 Councillor Vacancies. Unfortunately, Cllr Mrs Butter has resigned due to ill health. There are two vacancies for Cranborne currently and an advertisement has been posted in the parish council noticeboard and the community board.

*Post Meeting Note: Richard Wareham and Phil Quinlan are both keen to become councillors. They have filled in an application form each and will be co-opted at the next meeting.*

- 7.15 Cranborne Village Hall. Cllr Mrs Mackenzie advised that the hall committee is desperate for new members. The clerk needs to add the cost of the hall to the asset register and although it has been recently valued this was for insurances purposes. However, Richard Ashton was able to provide the building cost of £281,793.90 and this is the figure that will be used.

- 7.16 Edmondsham Village Hall. The pantomime has now finished and work will continue on securing refurbishment grants.

- 7.17 CASC. Cllr Mrs Isaacs asked for a volunteer from council to be the PC representative as there is currently a vacancy. She confirmed what was involved and Cllr Mrs Mackenzie kindly volunteered. The Chairman thanked Cllr Mrs Mackenzie.

**Action Clerk**

- 7.18 DAPTC. Cllr Mrs Isaacs confirmed that both herself and Cllr Mrs Batten attended

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the last meeting in Verwood where the Clinical Commissioner gave a presentation. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said she was very worried about the NHS and asked everyone to fill in the questionnaire. The Chairman agreed and advised members to go online. Cllr Mrs Batten asked if there was anything to put in the noticeboard and the clerk said she would see if she could get a poster.

*Action Clerk*

7.19 Police Newsletter. Emailed to all members.

## 8. FINANCE

8.1 To approve the following payments :-

**£30.00** – Cllr Mrs Isaacs for Poppy Wreath for Edmondsham

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Packman                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Vigar

**£204.00** – Idverde Limited for tree survey

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Isaacs                      Seconded : Cllr Campbell

**£1.00** – Gascoyne Cecil Estates, peppercorn rent for village hall site x 20 years

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Batten                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Packman

**£177.42** – Mikado Computer Support for annual renewal of website hosting fee and website maintenance charge

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Isaacs                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Vigar

## 9. FOR REPORT ONLY

- *Cllr Morse* – annual project, was there going to be a sub-committee? Clerk advised entirely up to council
- *Cllr Stirling* – Mr & Mrs Lopez have now cut the bolts on the ties on the wall, they should be painted black
- *Cllr Mrs Batten* – has been approached by 2 residents who have asked why Mr & Mrs Vigar's wall has not been rebuilt. People would like to know when it will be done. Cllr Vigar informed that she will provide a programme of works.
- *Cllr Mrs Vigar* – willage website, hopefully launched May bank holiday and village hall heating to be changed.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.