

**CRANBORNE AND EDMONDSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016  
in The Cecil Memorial Hall, Cranborne.

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Isaacs (Vice Chair), Cllrs Mrs Batten, Butter and Packman.  
Cllrs. Bonfield, Hayward and Morse. District & County Cllr Butler.  
Clerk Mrs S Fairchild.

1. Open Forum.

Present: Jill Howes, Sandra Cutler, Percy Stevens, Mr Stevens & Mrs Vigar.

The Vice-Chair welcomed those attending in open forum and asked if anyone had anything they would like to say. Mr Stevens, Percy Stevens' son and representative, talked about the fallen wall belonging to Mr & Mrs Lopez and the plans they had for the proposed new entrance and of the easement that Nos 1 and 1a had over the area in front of their properties which includes the covered area where their cars were parked before the wall collapsed. This easement is mentioned in the deeds belonging to Percy Stevens and he has been advised legally that the easement cannot be varied without the consent of all three parties. Mr Stevens added that his father had no intention of consenting to the easement being varied and would like to see the wall re-instated. Jill Howes agreed with this. Cllr Mrs Isaacs advised that the parish council could not really comment until this is a formal planning application. Mrs Vigar added that if the deeds quite clearly show the easement then she felt that a planning application would not go ahead, the mere mention of this in the deeds would cancel everything out. Cllr Mrs Isaacs recommended a site visit and asked Cllr Butler to investigate. The clerk advised that the issue of the pipe/culvert running under the wall is being looked into by Highways. Cllr Bonfield asked those present that if the plans gave a better end result, better look and finish to the area, would they not be happy with that? No-one was in agreement, they want the wall rebuilt, to be reinstated as it was, they feel it takes away their privacy plus there's an added light nuisance from car lights and a danger on the road. They were thanked for attending by Cllr Mrs Isaacs. Mr Stevens, Percy Stevens and Jill Howes left the meeting.

Cllr Mrs Isaacs read out a letter from Sandra Cutler that the clerk had received. There is a problem with the in/out entrance of Edmondsham Churchyard and the lack of visibility. Cllr Mrs Isaacs agrees with Sandra's points and has also driven in and out and confirmed that it is extremely dangerous. She has also spoken with Mrs Smith and it was felt that a 'caution' sign would be best to be installed on the highway. Sandra added that it would help if the hedge was cut at an oblique angle at the entrance. Cllr Mrs Isaacs asked for this to be added to next months agenda. Sandra also asked about bonfires and if there were any regulations on the lighting times of these. The clerk said that she had been online at dorsetforyou.com and although there are no rules on lighting bonfires, there is the facility with the district council for nuisance bonfires to be reported.

Sandra told the council of an incident involving a car driver that was behind her on Castle Street 2 weeks ago. As they approached Nos 11 and 13, opposite No 10, a large vehicle was coming the other way which forced the two of them in very close to the properties. The car behind demolished the stone step that comes out of No 13 and she wondered if this step is encroaching the highway. The clerk advised that she had spoken to highways who had viewed before and after photographs online and had confirmed that they are new and not historical and they are now

investigating what action needs to be taken. Cllr Mrs Isaacs asked Cllr Butler to follow it up.

Cllr Mrs Isaacs thanked Sandra for attending and she left the meeting. Mrs Vigar remained for the duration of the council meeting.

2. Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Dr Turner and Mrs Mackenzie.
3. Disclosure of Interests. Cllr Mrs Isaacs for item 7.16 and 8.3 and Cllr Morse for item 8.3.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup> were accepted as an accurate record and duly authorised and there were no matters arising.
5. **PLANNING**
  - 5.1 Email from The Design Board re the wall at No 3 High Street. Councillors had a brief discussion and agreed to await the planning application. Agenda for next month.
6. **DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL & DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**
  - 6.1 Cllr Butler talked to members about combined authorities and unitaries. Discussion held.
7. **PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**
  - 7.1 Chairman's Report –
    - Litter pick* went well although only 1 black bag collected from the stores. Cllr Morse advised that Edmondsham's litter pick had been deferred until next month.
    - Letter to CMS* – clerk advised that a letter of thanks had already been sent to the school for their part in the litter pick.
    - Repair of fence outside of the village hall* – this has been completed by the Cranborne Estate.
    - Open Gardens* – Chairman would like to thank the committee for the organisation and hard work by all.
  - 7.2 ROW. Cllr Butler advised that he was still no further on with the TRO on B17 Mill Lane and he was still fighting.
  - 7.3 Playarea. The clerk said that the fencing was being done now and should be completed by Thursday.
  - 7.4 Website. Statistics emailed to all members.
  - 7.5 Highways. Nothing to report from the clerk. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said that the potholes that stretched the width of the road and had been filled recently were beginning to appear again. Clerk to report again.

- 7.6 Flytipping. Sandy's Hill and Sutton Hill affected, clerk to report. **Action Clerk**
- 7.7 Defibrillator. Clerk advised no update. Cllr Mrs Batten felt that there was training next week as invites had gone out.  
*Post Meeting Note : Email received from Mrs Zena Walters advising that Nurse Susie from the surgery was holding a training session on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm at the CASC and members and the clerk invited to attend. Email forwarded to all members.*
- 7.8 Community Noticeboard. The clerk advised that this was nearly complete, at the lettering stage at the moment.
- 7.9 Annual Parish Project. The suggestion of a questionnaire for residents was discussed to ask what the residents would like to see in Cranborne but Cllr Bonfield was unsure whether this should come through the clerk/Chair or whether a separate group should be formed. Cllr Mrs Isaacs felt that it would be a good idea to form a sub-committee. Cllr Bonfield, Cllrs Mrs Packman and Mrs Butter will form the sub-committee. Agreed by all. Cllr Mrs Isaacs said that perhaps the Chairman should also be on this committee. Mrs Vigar said that she could add a question sheet to the newsletter she was planning for September. To be an ongoing agenda item.
- 7.10 Transport. Cllr Hayward said that there wasn't really anything to report only that school buses have been made available for the public. There is a questionnaire to fill in online but he wasn't sure as to how to let people know that it was there. Placing a note on the noticeboard was mentioned and Cllr Mrs Batten felt that there was something in the village shop. It was suggested that a reminder be put on the parish council website with a link to the questionnaire. Clerk to action. **Action Clerk**
- 7.11 Edmondsham Parish Meeting. A letter had been received from Mr Clifford House asking for the PC's support for :-  
Speed Indicator Device – the clerk advised that she had spoken to Highways and they had directed her to dorsetforyou to an information page on SID's. The criteria flow chart states that a site survey would be required to know what the current 85% percentile speed is and the PC can request this survey which would cost the council £250. This would still not guarantee a SID as it would need to meet the criteria. The cost of buying a SID is approx. £2,500 but in order for it to be placed on the highway, the criteria flowchart would still need to be met. The clerk reminded the council that a survey was carried out in Edmondsham a few years ago and it was reported by Highways that although there was traffic travelling through the village at certain times there wasn't enough to warrant any action at that time. Cllr Butler said for the clerk to speak with Lisa Goodwin, clerk to Knowlton Parish Council. Ditches in front of Nos 18/21/22 – Cllr Mrs Isaacs said that Mrs Smith said he will do if she can.

Smallbridge Cottage to Fleets Cottage, Pinnocks Moor junction – highways have carried out work on this stretch although Mr House reports it as ‘being totally inadequate’. Clerk to speak to highways again.

Sandy’s Hill – drains on Sandy’s Hill are completely blocked by silt and leaf build up and cannot be seen, clerk to contact highways re clearing.

Defibrillator – discussion was held re a defibrillator for the adopted phone box in Edmondsham and gaining electricity to the box. Cllr Butler said to speak with Jerry Laker as Wimborne St Giles installed a defibrillator in their phone box and BT restored the power. Cllr Hayward to action.

*Action Clerk and Cllr Hayward*

- 7.12 Cranborne Church Bells/Clock. Cllr Mrs Packman advised the members that when it came to repairing the bells in the Church only one needed turning and therefore all of the donation money was not used. She asked if the money could be used for repairs to the clock. All agreed.

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Butter

Seconded : Cllr Bonfield

- 7.13 Parish Council Vacancies. There are currently 3 vacancies remaining for Cranborne. Eric Stevens was suggested as he retires from the fire service shortly.

- 7.14 Cranborne Village Hall. No report as representative not present. However, Mrs Vigar added from the public gallery that they have been offered free Wi-Fi from the Estate/Morian if they agree to have a mast fitted. It was mentioned that it was being discussed by the Church council re having one fitted to their tower by Vodafone.

- 7.15 Edmondsham Village Hut. Cllr Morse said that the schedule of repairs is still being looked at.

- 7.16 CASC. Dorset Community Action has been in to advise about grants. They are looking into changing the building’s facilities especially as some of the coaches are now female and require female changing areas and also to possibly incorporate the bowling club. Cllr Morse suggested Support England. There was a vote of thanks to all involved from Cllr Mrs Butter for the Queen’s picnic.

- 7.17 DAPTC. Advised that there was a meeting sometime in July regarding highways/roads.

- 7.18 Police. Newsletter emailed to all members.

## 8. FINANCE

- 8.1 To approve the following payments :-

**£422.00** – Graham Hawkes - £392.00 for ‘Car Park’ signs and £30.00 for repair to stile in Hibberds Field

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Batten

Seconded : Cllr Mrs Packman

**£288.02** – DAPTC, annual subscription 2016/17

Proposed : Cllr Hayward                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Butter

**£36.00** – CPRE, annual subscription

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Butter                      Seconded : Cllr Bonfield

**£1104.84** – Mrs SE Fairchild, clerk's salary 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2016/17 (Apr-June)

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Batten                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Packman

**£160.72** – Mrs SE Fairchild, clerk's expenses 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2016/17 (Apr-June)

Proposed : Cllr Morse                              Seconded : Cllr Bonfield

**£50.00** – Edmondsham Village Hall, Best Kept Village prize money to be used to purchase planters

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Butter                      Seconded : Cllr Bonfield

**£11.04** – Mrs SE Fairchild, NALC 2016-18 National Salary Award backdated to 1/4/16, £3.68 per month x 3

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Batten                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Butter

- 8.2 Request for financial support from CASC relating to improvements to the changing room facilities, the most urgent being to replace the boiler system and refurbish the shower facilities. The club are obtaining quotes for the work and would appreciate assistance from the PC to make their funds go further. In the bigger picture, they are in consultation with Anita Henson from DCA re funding for the possibility of additions/extensions to the building for the bowls club. Discussion held by members and agreed to defer until the next meeting in order for the clerk to make enquiries as to the cost of the boiler and showers.

*Action Clerk*

- 8.3 Request from Edmondsham Village Hall Committee for financial assistance towards urgent roof work. Total cost of repairs is £715.00. Discussed by members, total amount of £715.00 proposed by Cllr Mrs Butter, all agreed.

Proposed : Cllr Mrs Butter                      Seconded : Cllr Mrs Packman

*Post Meeting Note : Letter of thanks from Edmondsham Village Hall Committee received. To be placed in members monthly envelope for July.*

## 9. **FOR REPORT ONLY**

- *Cllr Mrs Packman* – Lovers Lane very overgrown, clerk to email Oliver Middlemiss.
- *Cllr Mrs Butter* – would like to thank Jenny Freeman and Anne Mackenzie for the Queen's Birthday picnic. Cllr Mrs Isaacs asked the clerk to write.

*Action Clerk*

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.