



Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 3rd September 2018 at 7.30pm in Kington Magna Village Hall

| Item | Parish Councillors Present: Nigel Osborne (NO) Chairman, Roger Gosney (RG)Vice-Chairman, Kevin Aldred (KA), Tim Wilton (TW), Ms Philippa Chapman (PC), Matthew Hoskins (MH), Mrs Eunice Dale, Philip Talbot (PT) District County Councillor Present: 0 County Councillor Present: 0 Members of the public: There were 6 members of the public present Members of the press: There were no members of the press present In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM), Rowlo: Martin Hibbert (MHT), Internal Auditor; Pat Read (PR) | Action |
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| | <p>Public Session: Members of the public raised the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A request for £600.00 to help fund a defibrillator and box in Kington Magna. The parish council are happy to fund the pads bi-annually, as per Buckhorn Weston, but suggested other fund raising ideas/sourcing of grants, as Buckhorn Weston did, to purchase their defibrillator and box. If the parish council were to assist, the suggestion was for funding to be via Kington Magna's precept. It was noted that the masons are very helpful should a formal letter be received.• A concern was raised regarding the recent travellers at Five Bridges; where they sourced their water, how they disposed of their waste and the current state of the picnic area. NO advised that clearing up is taking place and that DC's environmental view is the waste is not sufficient to make a difference. NO also advised that an ongoing action is running with the local MP, district council, the parish council and others to look at a long term solution to move the travellers somewhere permanently. There is also the possibility of blocking off the area although the application process for this is £3,000. An alternative, and less expensive option, is a barrier but whatever the solution it must be shared with Wessex Water.• The recent noise at Henstridge airfield on the 18th August was a concern and advance notice of a wedding on the 8th, which is likely to be noisier, has been received. NO sits on the airfield committee and requested any complaints be sent to him by email so that he can raise them at the next meeting.• Ongoing bus shelter maintenance. RG noted that the area has been cleared to allow it to remain as a shelter and the intention to maintain it by cutting back when necessary.• Beech Lane footpath stile has gone. MHT will contact the landowner. | |
| 47/18 | Apologies: Simon Stranger, Valerie Standing | |
| 48/18 | To approve the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on 2nd July 2018: Cllr Aldred proposed that "the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on the 2 nd July 2018 should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Gosney seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes. | |
| 49/18 | Matters Arising from the previous minutes: None | |

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| 50/18 | Declarations of interest: Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests. None | |
| 51/18 | District County Councillor's reports: No councillors were in attendance. No reports received. | |
| 52/18 | County Councillor's reports: Cllr Walsh was unable to attend but has offered to address any specific items. No reports received. | |
| 53/18 | <p>Police report: PCSO Mullens was unable to attend the meeting but submitted the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No relevant reported crimes in this parish area. • Theft of red diesel from a farm in Nyland. • Theft of vehicle in West Stour. • Break to garage at Bourton and theft of petrol powered tools. • Several breaks, theft and criminal damage to East Stour village hall. • Large plant pots stolen from driveway of Madjeston residence. | |
| 54/18 | <p>Chairman's report: NO gave an update regarding the travellers, as above under Public Session. NO also reported having attended the North Area DAPTC meeting and will continue to attend them as they are frequented by many town and parish councillors and a good source of information. The landowners were contacted regarding water tank access for the Kington Magna horse trough and notified that legal have advised an indemnity is not required. The landowners have requested a letter confirming this. Once the letter has been submitted, further access discussion can take place.</p> <p>Action: <i>To compose a letter to the landowners confirming legal's advice and forward to the clerk.</i></p> | NO |
| 55/18 | Financial Reports: , Responsible Financial Officer's report: The RFO's report and accounts were circulated prior to the meeting, copies are available on request from the clerk. | |
| 55/18.1 | <p>To receive and approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st July to 31st August 2018 including salaries and associated accounts: Cllr Aldred proposed to "approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st July to 31st August 2018 including salaries and associated accounts." Cllr Gosney seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.</p> <p>Bank Reconciliation: The current account balance is £6403.90. The NS&I account balance is £4896.99. Payments received to date are £4744.50. Total payments out so far this financial year are £5253.64.</p> | |
| 55/18.2 | To receive actual spend against budget figures for the first half of the financial year 2018/19 in consideration of the next financial year: The actual spend against budget figures to date were circulated to the councillors for consideration of next year's financial budget and precept. | |
| 55/18.3 | To consider a request for financial help towards the Buckhorn Weston church clock restoration as per letter circulated 28th June: It was confirmed that the church clock is Buckhorn Weston's war memorial and that the required repair would be in conjunction with the restoration of the bells. The parish council agreed not to commit to any amount at this time as there are further considerations. 1/ To take a look at the precept for next year. 2/ Possible funding from Buckhorn Weston's precept. 3/ Do the parish council redress the imbalance of previous grants. No decision to be taken at this time. | |
| 56/18 | Clerk's Report: The clerk's report was circulated prior to the meeting, a copy is available on request from the clerk. | |
| 57/18 | Planning: | |
| 57/18.1 | <p>To receive decision notices from North Dorset District Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honey Suckle, Church Hill, Buckhorn Weston, create vehicular access and parking area = approved (ref: 2/2018/0632/HOUSE) • Clonmel, Church Hill, Buckhorn Weston, erect single storey rear extension to replace existing porch = approved (ref: 2/2018/0720/HOUSE) <p>To receive an update on the pre-planning stage solar farms at Vale View Farm and Coker Farm: As per the last meeting, there is no further update.</p> | |

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| 57/18.3 | <p>To consider application 2/2018/0916/HOUSE Windyridge, Church Hill, Buckhorn Weston, Dorset, SP8 5HT - Erect detached double garage: The application was considered to be straightforward, that the garage will sit at a lower level as the drive dips and that it is tucked to one side of the property. Cllr Osborne proposed that "the Parish Council have no objection to this application." Cllr Chapman seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.</p> <p>Action: Submit consultee comment to NDDC</p> | Clerk |
| 58/18 58/18.1 | <p>Other Reports:</p> <p>Highways: RG advised the council on the status of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mound of soil at the crossroads between Church Hill in Kington Magna and the Sandley/Bourton road has been cleared and visibility restored. • Cross bar markings have been installed on the approaches to the 'S' bend on Harpitts Lane which completes the safety audit requirements. • Surface dressing, omitted from last year's schedule, has been completed on Chapel Hill and Field Lane in Kington Magna. | |
| 58/18.2 | <p>Public Footpaths: MHT apologised for having missed the last two meetings but is now back up to speed with the main focus being summer growth blocking paths. Significant areas requiring attention are around Pitt House Farm. Regular weekly footpath work has resumed and the Kington Millennium path is in good order without the need for a service agreement with DCC to keep it clear. Ongoing issues include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The trees which will eventually block the views from the path across Sandley House land. MHT has written to the owners with no response and will try again. The paths are being kept clear therefore this is not a major issue. A possible suggestion is to lift the trees so as to see underneath. • Missing stile after re-fencing a field adjacent to Breach Lane. MHT has been unable to contact the landowner to date but in the meantime, it is possible to walk along the edge of the field from the gate at Barton Hill/Breach Lane junction. • The path behind the Kington Magna hall was reported as overgrown. MHT investigated and found it to have been cut back, meeting the 1m wide statutory footpath requirement. MHT is happy to include this as part of a regular maintenance programme but would require agreement from the landowner(s). • Long term issue with the legal line of paths not matching the tracks on Sandley Stud land. A new tenant seems unaware of the agreement for the use of the tracks as an alternative. Action is with DCC to either divert the paths or formalise alternative routes. <p>Walks in the area are being promoted with several having taken place or scheduled and thanks were given to Cllr Wilton for allowing the use of his driveway for the Gillingham walking festival. Thanks were also expressed to the parish council for their agreement to White Hart link finger posts (of which two are being considered; one on the path to the playground for the Henstridge / Stalbridge route and one by the church for the Gillingham route).</p> | |
| 59/18 | <p>Nyland: ED advised that the residents are delighted that the travellers have gone and are now keen to know when the barriers will be going up. As per the update under public session, this will not be in the immediate future. There are hopes for an update at the next meeting.</p> | |
| 60/18 60/18.1 | <p>Kington Magna:</p> <p>Play Area - update: RG noted that due to the good summer, no grass cutting was required in August, that the play area looks in good shape and that the minor comments from the ROSPA report have been addressed. Further work will be required to mend the fence and a quote will be brought to the next meeting. It was pointed out that the footpath to the play area, which was once gravelled, is now overgrown. RG considered it to be acceptable. The bench is facing a hedge. MHT is happy to cut the hedge.</p> | |
| 60/18.2 | <p>Conservation Area - update: Following the consultation, the extensions have now been made and the conservation area has been enlarged. The revised and adopted report is with the parish council and available to view on the parish council website via the notices page. RG is happy to answer any queries. Regarding the willow trees, a set of old minutes were found which expressed concern from villagers regarding the planting, that the original landowner had no</p> | |

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| 60/18.3 60/18.4 | intention of the trees growing tall and a willingness from the previous owner to keep them trimmed. It was agreed to put this matter on hold. Horse Trough – update: As discussed above under Chairman's report. Discuss and consider the requirement for a defibrillator in Kington Magna: As discussed above under Public Session. | |
| 61/18 | Brains Farm update: No response to further chase emails has been received from Daniel Von Scheven and no work appears to be taking place on the site. A request from a resident for the parish council to sign letters to Dorset Highways was received. It was considered that the parish council have already done this. | |
| 62/18 | To receive an update on reported land next to the railway line in Buckhorn Weston: There has been no progress from the enforcement officer. It was suggested that the officer be reminded that this issue was first raised 7 years ago. | |
| 63/18 | Update on IT progress following on from how the council can broaden its communications: NO has been unsuccessful in trying to link the parish council website with Nextdoor but will try again. Action: <i>To try to connect posts on the parish council website to Nextdoor.</i> | NO |
| 64/18 | To consider how best to promote village interest – submit ideas : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commemorate 100 years of the ending of World War I, to be held on the 10th November in one of the village halls, serving tea, biscuits and cake. Hold a quiz and play music from the era. Invite residents to bring along photos/memorabilia. To be funded by the parish council and free to the community. PR offered to print flyers. Possibly purchase a Tommy silhouette per village. • Annual parish meetings to be a lighter, informal event with a Parish Council presentation of works carried out and upcoming. To allow more time to be allocated to each village's meeting and for them to be held on a separate date from the Full Council meeting. To promote annual parish meeting on Hear Here. • The parish council to attend local village events with pop up boards. Cllr Hoskins proposed 'the Parish Council proceed with the WWI commemoration event'. NO seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. Action: <i>To contribute wherever possible due to limited time in organising the event.</i> | All |
| 65/18 | Items for next agenda: Buckhorn Weston Church clock Local facilities for football Copper beech preservation order War memorial | |
| 66/18 | Matters Pertinent: None | |
| 67/18 | Date of next Meeting: Monday 5 th November Buckhorn Weston Village Hall | |
| | Meeting closed at 21.22pm | |
| | SignedChairman Date | |

Appendices

- Accounts and payments for the period of 1st July to 31st June 2018
- Bank reconciliation
- Actual spend against expenditure
- RFO & Clerk's report
- Highways report

Copies of the appendices can be obtained from the Parish Clerk.