



# Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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## FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 at 7.30pm in Buckhorn Weston Village Hall

Item	Parish Councillors Present:  Roger Gosney (RG) Chairman, Kevin Aldred (KA), Tim Wilton (TW), Matthew Hoskins (MH), Mrs Linda Munster (LM), Fred Shotter (FS) <b>Dorset Councillors Present:</b> 3 <b>Members of the public:</b> There were 7 members of the public present <b>Members of the press:</b> There were no members of the press present <b>In attendance:</b> Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM), Rowlo: Martin Hibbert (MHT)	Action
	<b>Presentation:</b> Mr Roger Bell from Dorset Council Highways presented the speed appraisal results for both villages. Buckhorn Weston scored 163 points and Kington Magna 204. As both surpassed the qualifying limit of 100 points, and with the support of all 3 District Councillors, the appraisals have been submitted to the next stage of the process. Mr Bell reminded all that implementation can take up to 5 years however a re-evaluation in a year's time and the reporting of all accidents to either the police or council may expedite this. Alternative options for accelerating the process were discussed but require funding by the villages whereas the whole cost of funding the standard option would be borne by Dorset Council. The Parish Council will investigate costs and timespans. All communication with DC Highways must be through the Parish Council. Villagers are requested to notify the clerk if they wish to contribute to the cost or do not wish to have speed restrictions implemented at all. RG thanked Roger Bell for presenting the results. <b>Action:</b> <i>Contact Milton on Stour for information on the process they followed and cost.</i>	<i>Clerk</i>
	<b>Public Session:</b> Members of the public raised the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Concerns were raised regarding the lack of visibility at Quarr Cross roads. KA will provide RG with details of the junction.</li></ul> <b>Action:</b> <i>Take up with DC Highways.</i>	<i>RG</i>
22/19	<b>Apologies:</b> Nigel Osborne, Ms Phillipa Chapman, Simon Stranger, Mrs Pat Read	
23/19	<b>To approve the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019:</b> Cllr Aldred proposed that "the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on the 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Wilton seconded, the vote was unanimous. <b>Resolved.</b> The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
24/19	<b>Matters Arising from the previous minutes:</b> None	
25/19	<b>Declarations of interest:</b> <i>Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests:</i> None	
26/19	<b>Dorset Councillor's report:</b> Cllrs Walsh, Ridout and Pothecary were in attendance. <b>Cllr Ridout:</b> Attended First Northern Area Planning Committee and various Parish AGM's where issues appear to be similar across all areas. Has been selected as a member of the Climate Change Cross Party Panel following DC's Climate Change Emergency declaration. Attended an introduction to Place Directorate and an officer from DWP is willing to make a presentation and answer questions. RG advised the Parish Council would be interested. <b>Cllr Walsh:</b> Attended all planning meetings to ensure consistency. Has been given powers of delegation to speed up the Neighbourhood Plan process. Gave evidence to the 'Building Better'	

	<p>commission who aims to advise government in the promotion and increase of high quality design for new build homes and neighbourhoods. Commended the recently adopted Dorset Waste Plan to cabinet which was agreed and accords with the latest national policies. Announced DC's intention to progress with a single local plan to be adopted by April 2023.</p> <p><b>Cllr Pothecary:</b> Is also a member of the northern planning committee. Local planning authorities need to have a statement of community involvement and a 6 week public consultation is scheduled from 21 June to 2 August 2019. Details can be found at <a href="http://www.dorset.gov.uk/planning-policy-news">www.dorset.gov.uk/planning-policy-news</a> and response forms are available from Gillingham library. Four junctions in Gillingham are being redesigned with open days for public engagement on 16<sup>th</sup> July 11am to 3pm and 18<sup>th</sup> July 12.30pm to 7pm.</p> <p>Cllr Ridout and Cllr Pothecary hold weekly surgeries by appointment only. Contact 07147 823588 or by email to <a href="mailto:GTC@gillinghamdorset-tc.gov.uk">GTC@gillinghamdorset-tc.gov.uk</a> to make an appointment.</p>	
27/19	<p><b>Police report:</b> PCSO Biggs did not attend. A report submitted noted the theft of eggs and money from an honesty box in Kington Magna and several overnight walk in burglaries in Shaftesbury where houses have been left unlocked. Residents are reminded to keep doors locked.</p>	
28/19	<p><b>Chairman's report:</b> RG advised the main focus, since the last meeting, has been on the speed appraisals. A vacancy for co-option of a Kington Magna parish councillor has been advertised and a resident, who attended the meeting and introduced himself, has expressed an interest. Formal co-option will take place at the next full council meeting.</p>	
29/19	<p><b>Financial Reports:</b></p> <p><b>Responsible Financial Officer's report:</b> The RFO's report and accounts were circulated prior to the meeting. The exercise of public rights has commenced and will end on the 26<sup>th</sup> July.</p>	
29/19.1	<p><b>To receive and approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 including salaries and associated accounts:</b> Cllr Aldred proposed to "approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 including salaries and associated accounts." Cllr Hoskins seconded, the vote was unanimous. <b>Resolved.</b></p> <p><b>Bank Reconciliation:</b> The current account balance is £8415.41. The NS&amp;I account balance is £4932.50. Payments received to date are £5203.88 including a VAT reclaim of £214.38. Total payments out so far this financial year are £4407.74.</p>	
30/19	<p><b>Clerk's Report:</b> The clerk's report was circulated prior to the meeting.</p>	
31/19	<p><b>Planning:</b></p>	
31/19.1	<p><b>To receive decision notices from North Dorset District Council:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spindelberry Cottage, Green Lane, Kington Magna, erect single storey extension, form new vehicular access, modify existing access and retain as pedestrian access (demolish shed) = approved (ref: 2/2019/0399/HOUSE)</li> <li>Honeysuckle Cottage, Tunnel Head, Sandley, erect raised decked area = withdrawn (ref: 2/2019/0560/HOUSE)</li> <li>Hartmoor Hill Farm, Hartmoor Hill, Buckhorn Weston, erect hay storage barn = approved ((ref: 2/2019/0550/FULL))</li> </ul>	
31/19.2	<p><b>Update on application 2/2019/0470/FUL – Construction of solar farm Higher Farm, Fifehead Hill, Fifehead Magdalen:</b> No decision has been made on this application yet. 271 public comments have been submitted to DC's online portal, the majority being objections.</p>	
31/19.3	<p><b>Neighbourhood plan report (KA):</b> KA is setting up further meetings before submitting his report to the Parish Council. Money is available from the government towards neighbourhood plans. Cllr Walsh advised the plan be tailored to fit the village, include housing allocation for the 5 year plan and that using the previous village plans is a good start.</p>	
32/19	<p><b>Other Reports:</b></p>	
32/19.1	<p><b>Highways:</b> RG advised the council of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Filling of the pot hole on the passing bay at Church Hill in Kington Magna complete.</li> <li>Clearance of the drainage outfall at Stour Hill crossroads outstanding.</li> <li>Hardening of the verge with recycled road stone at the pull in at the post box opposite Two Ways Cottage in Kington Magna is also outstanding.</li> </ul>	

32/19.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic control (two ways signals) in Weston Street, Buckhorn Weston due to work being carried out by Wessex Water between the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July.</li> </ul> <p>RG informed Cllr Walsh that he had been contacted regarding concerns about the access into the site proposed for 61 dwellings in Marnhull and that having inspected the area, shares those concerns. A meeting is to be convened with Dorset Highways which RG will attend.</p> <p><b>Public Footpaths:</b> Vegetation growth is impacting the paths with continuous maintenance to reduce said impact. Paths at Barton Hill and Weston Hill remain blocked by crops and fencing. The stone arch bridge on the edge of Nyland is collapsing and being investigated by rangers who have also replaced 2 stiles in Kington Magna with gates. Further funding has been received to replace a third stile once ownership has been resolved. The last section of the White Hart Link route will be completed in August this year. Monthly walks continue and walking for health is doing well and anyone who enjoys short social walks is welcome to participate. MHT received a formal complaint regarding the land next to the railway line in Buckhorn Weston noting that the paths are passable but very unpleasant. RG advised that the footpath above the pond in Kington Magna is overgrown. MHT will address this.</p>	
32/19.3	<p><b>Maintenance of the path behind Kington Magna Village Hall (MH):</b> MH has cleared most of the overhanging branches and returned the majority of the surface although was unable to clear the far area by hand and suggested the village husbandry budget be used to pay for that clearance. MHT is happy to maintain the area regularly.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>Obtain quotes for clearance of far end of path.</i></p>	MH
33/19	<p><b>Nyland:</b> The light pollution at BCA has improved although it is difficult to assess fully during the summer months. FS sought to formally acknowledge the improvements with a requirement for reappraisal in the winter months. It was also considered worthwhile consulting with the new industrial units to be mindful of light overspill and that SSDC should control further developments by their own rules.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>Submit comments as above to SSDC and discuss light overspill with new units.</i></p>	FS
34/19	<p><b>Kington Magna:</b></p>	
34/19.1	<p><b>Play Area - update:</b> The ROSPA inspection has taken place with 2 or 3 minor issues being dealt with by SS.</p>	
34/19.2	<p><b>Horse Trough – update:</b> Roger Bell from Dorset Council Highways and RG investigated the horse trough and tank with the help and advice of longstanding village resident, Dave Score. It was found that the water feed is positioned in the brickwork at the very top of the tank. Options are; fill up the tank after mostly closing off the outfall, intercept the previous main water spring now taken under the road and redirect into the tank; install a solar operated pump and recycle from the trough back into the tank. RG will seek advice from a Dorset Council expert.</p>	
34/19.3	<p><b>Proposed composting toilet at Parish Burial Ground:</b> RG contacted the PCC for details of the unit in order to check whether planning is required. No response has been received. As the land belongs to the Parish Council, the positioning will be significant and will be determined by the Parish Council. As noted in the APM, it is considered that this matter will also require the backing of the village.</p>	
35/19	<p><b>Brains Farm update (NO):</b> Cllr Walsh confirmed Steve Savage is the correct contact at Dorset Council and will look into this and report back.</p>	
36/19	<p><b>Update on land next to railway line in Buckhorn Weston:</b> The environment officer, with a planning enforcement consultant, revisited the site last week and noted some improvement but not to a level considered to be acceptable. The owners have stated further tidying up will take place which will be monitored. The possibility of them applying for consent to use part of the land for their storage and leisure purposes was also discussed and DC are considering this at the moment.</p>	
37/19	<p><b>Kington Magna defibrillator pad funding:</b> Funding of the replacement adult and children's pads was sought for Kington Magna. To clarify, the funding in both villages only applies to the bi-annual replacement of the pads when they expire. Cllr Aldred proposed 'the Parish Council fund the replacement of Kington Magna's adult and children's pads when they expire every other year'. Cllr Wilton seconded, the vote was unanimous. <b>Resolved.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>Incorporate into PC's budget.</i></p>	RFO

38/19	<b>Items for next agenda:</b> Co-option of new Kington Magna councillor. Speed appraisal comments from residents for discussion and whether to accelerate. Brains Farm update (Report from Cllr Walsh) Condition of notice boards (KA) Update from Five Bridges meeting	
39/19	<b>Matters Pertinent:</b> None	
40/19	<b>Date of next Meeting:</b> Full Council Meeting – Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019, 7.30pm at Kington Magna Village Hall	
	Meeting closed at 21.33pm	

**Signed**.....Chairman **Date** .....

### Appendices

- A. Accounts and payments for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019
- B. Bank reconciliation 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019
- C. District Councillor Reports
- D. RFO & Clerk's report
- E. Highways report

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