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FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 4th January 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom virtual meeting

Item	Parish Councillors Present: Roger Gosney (Chairman (RG), Nigel Osborne (Vice-Chairman (NO), Tim Wilton (TW), Ms Phillipa Chapman(PC), Fred Shotter (FS), Simon Stranger (SS)) Dorset Councillors Present: 1 Members of the public: There was 1 member of the public present Members of the press: There were no members of the press present In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM), IA: Patricia Read (PR)	Action
	Public Session: No issues were raised.	
50/20	Apologies: Linda Munster, Kevin Aldred	
51/20	To approve the minutes of the last Full Parish Council meeting held on 2nd November 2020: Cllr Osborne proposed that “the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on the 2 nd November 2020 should be approved as a correct record of the meeting.” Cllr Shotter seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
52/20	Matters Arising from the previous minutes: None	
53/20	Declarations of interest: <i>Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests:</i> None	
54/20	Dorset Councillor's report: Cllr Ridout: The closing date for the climate change consultation is 20 th January. The Dorset Local Plan consultation will be coming out soon. Covid vaccines in Dorset have begun and the Oxford vaccine will be rolled out from 4 th January. Residents are urged to continue to follow the key advice from Public Health Dorset. Business grants are available to businesses in tiers 2 and 3 with more information available on the Dorset Council (DC) website. The Climate Emergency and Ecological Emergency consultation results will be analysed during February, which is open to all councillors to make comment, with a target sign off date of April 15th. A Strategic Greenbelt review member's briefing was held; a study and independent assessment of the greenbelt providing a single strategic review for the whole of Dorset working jointly with BCP. It is due to be published in January. New rules for dogs in open spaces (PSPO) came into force on 1 st January regarding dog controls on public open spaces. DC's in-house highways team carry out the majority of roadworks in the council area and an energy reduced asphalt is now being used on Dorset roads. To date 11,000 tonnes of the old tar road surfacing, being expensive to dispose of, has been recycled into construction materials saving DC £1.8m. DC highways also assist charities across Dorset, free of charge, with such things as relaying access roads, filling in pot holes and laying bases for playgrounds. Help is available to support Dorset residents with financial struggles via Dorset Citizens Advice (Freephone 0800 144 8848) and isolation and loneliness via Dorset Together (01305 221000). DC also provide useful help regarding the latest information and essential services via the website or by phone (01305 221000). A copy of the full report is available on request from the clerk. Cllrs Walsh and Pothecary sent their apologies as they were unable to attend the meeting.	
55/20	Police report: PCSO Mullens submitted the following report: November 2020 - criminal damage to a garage at a property in Kington Magna.	

	December 2020 - break in to a shed and tools stolen in Buckhorn Weston.	
56/20	<p>Chairman's report: Parish Council (PC) business has continued despite the Corona Virus constraints. Zoom meetings have been held to discuss planning applications. A major U turn has been announced by the Government on the rules for identifying the numbers and locations of new housing needed nationally. This follows the strategy proposed by CPRE and which was supported by the PC in correspondence both to them and to DC. Site visits have been held with DC highways to address flooding and other issues. A site meeting has also been held with South Somerset District Council on the lighting glare from the industrial units adjacent to Henstridge airfield. Two applications have been submitted for grant aid for new equipment for the Kington Magna Play Area. The PC finances are in good shape, enabling us to carry out work such as the repair and replacement of finger post signs under the husbandry fund. The proposed precept will be set for the next financial year under agenda item 57/20.2. The speed limit signs have been installed in both villages and were activated just before Christmas. An application has been made to DC highways for speed limits to be installed on the C21 between Sandley and Quarr. Roger Bell is moving to a new appointment with Dorset Highways and will be replaced by Enrico Dimarino. Roger has done a great job as Community Highway Officer for our area and will be missed.</p>	
57/20	<p>Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer's report: The report, accounting statement and bank reconciliation were circulated prior to the meeting, copies are available on request from the clerk. The NS&I account was closed and the new Nationwide account is up and running.</p> <p>Bank Reconciliation: The current account balance is £12,152.86. The Nationwide account balance is £5006.43. Payments received to date are £19,965.61. Total payments out so far this financial year are £15,521.96. (Both receipts and payments out include the transfers of reserves from NS&I to Nationwide via the current account). The possibility of using up some of the reserves could be considered at a later date.</p>	
57/20.1	<p>To receive and approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st November to 31st December 2020 including salaries and associated accounts: Cllr Gosney proposed to "approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st November to 31st December 2020 including salaries and associated accounts." Cllr Wilton seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved.</p>	
57/20.2	<p>To agree precept/budget proposal for financial year 2021/22: The precept/budget proposal, with updated expenditure figures, was circulated prior to the meeting. The precept request, as presented at the previous full council meeting, remains the same as this financial year's figure. No requests to make amendments have been received and the reserves are currently at a healthy balance. Cllr Ms Chapman proposed that "the Parish Council submit a precept request of £9489.00 for the financial year 2021/2022". Cllr Osborne seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved.</p> <p>Action: <i>To submit the precept application form to DC.</i></p>	<i>Clerk</i>
58/20	<p>Planning:</p>	
58/20.1	<p>To approve and adopt the minutes of the planning meeting held on 21st December 2020: Cllr Gosney proposed "the minutes of the planning meeting held on the 21st December 2020 be approved as a correct record of the meeting". Cllr Osborne seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.</p>	
58/20.2	<p>To receive decision notices from Dorset Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weston Fields, Symphony Farm to Quarr Cross – Lane, Quarr, Erect detached garages with first floor annexe = granted (ref: 2/2020/0728 FUL) Hill Farm Church Hill Buckhorn Weston Dorset SP8 5HT, Variation of condition No 3 of planning application 2/2001/0319, date of decision 30/05/2001 to allow the accommodation hereby approved to be used for purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the principal dwelling known as Hill Farm or as holiday accommodation. The accommodation shall not be used by the occupant as their main dwelling and a register of occupants shall be kept by the owners of the property for inspection, as necessary, by the Local Planning Authority subject to reasonable notice = granted (ref: 2/2020/1252/VARIA) 	

58/20.3	<p>Neighbourhood Plan report from KA (TBC): KA was unable to attend the meeting so this item will be deferred to March with the possibility of KA submitting his report by email if unable to attend the meeting. It was noted that as KA was going to consult with others in the village, this may be difficult with the impending lockdown. All councillors, as per the last meeting, are to highlight points worth keeping from the current BW KM local plan.</p> <p>Action: Discuss with KA the possibility of submitting an electronic report.</p>	
58/20.4	<p>To discuss lighting for application P/FUL/2020/00339 Bruf Contract Holdings Ltd, Mill Hanger, Gibbs Marsh Trading Estate, Stalbridge, DT10 2RX – Erection of 2no. industrial units for E, B2 & B8 use (to replace fire damaged industrial building): FS visited the site and confirmed it is mostly made up of older buildings with the previously large facility, having burned down, being replaced with two smaller units and that the new proposal will enhance the area. However, it was considered that comments should be submitted stating the PC's concerns regarding external light fittings; that they shall be the minimum required for safe operation of the purpose it is required, no fixtures shall emit light above the horizontal and no light to be directed beyond the site boundary. As no other objections were received, Cllr Shotter proposed "the Parish Council support the application with the inclusion of the statements regarding lighting". Cllr Ms Chapman seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved.</p> <p>Action: Submit comments to Dorset Council as per above.</p>	Clerk
59/20 59.20.1	<p>Other reports:</p> <p>Highways (RG):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speed limit signs have been installed in both villages and were activated on 18th December. Roundel road markings will be installed adjacent to the entrance signs when the weather permits and road surfaces have dried out. Request for a speed limit on the C21 through Sandley/Quarr is being assessed by Dorset Highways. Some of the data needed on vehicle speeds and type is available from the survey carried out for the safety measures previously introduced for the Stour Hill crossroads. Skid notice warning signs to replace the temporary ones at the S bend on Harpitts lane at Bowden are on order and should be installed sometime this month. Ditches have been cleared to help relieve the flooding of the road at Filley Brook. Further work is needed to do a permanent job including a direct connecting ditch from the main road ditch to outfall the collected run off into the brook. DC have been notified. Storm water running down Green Lane, KM and not being intercepted by the road gullies has been investigated and referred to Dorset Highways. Concern has been raised on the accident potential at the right angle bend from the A30 to Nyland. This has been referred to DC Highways and a site inspection will be undertaken following DC's return to work on the 4th January. Concern has been raised on the potential risk to the safety to people and damage to cars from the overhanging ash trees uphill from the bus shelter on Back Lane, KM. The trees are suspected to have ash die back and as they are in the widened highway verge have been reported to DC's Tree Officer for inspection and attention as necessary. <p>As per the Chairman's report, Roger Bell is moving to a new appointment as Project Engineer with Dorset Highways. The PC expressed their thanks for all of Roger's help over the years and wish him every success in his new role.</p> <p>Consider additional quote for repair of reported damaged fingerpost signs (if quote received): Further to agreeing a quote at the last meeting for repair work to proceed to damaged signs, an additional damaged sign has since been reported at the junction of the lower road to Buckhorn Weston and South Street, adjacent to Two Ways. The quote obtained for this repair is £550.00 and is based on all works being done at the same time, (total cost £1,000 which includes a £200 discount from the DAONB). The PC is aware that a contractor working for a local farmer in Kington Magna was responsible in part for the damage to the</p>	
59.20.2		Clerk

	<p>most recently reported sign and that recovery should be made for one third of that cost. Cllr Ms Chapman proposed “the Parish Council proceed with all repairs with the farmer being billed for £183.00 reimbursement”. Cllr Stranger seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.</p> <p>Action: Instruct Normtec to proceed with all repairs as per the quotes.</p> <p>Public Footpaths (MHT): No major new problems to report. A collapsing footbridge near Culzean Farm is due for replacement by DC however, it is possible to bypass it and use a field gate. A number of stiles need repair; all are passable with some care. A new stile has been installed where new fencing blocked the path by Filley Brook, opposite Hartmoor Hill, and a long-term problem resolved with the installation of a new footbridge over the Filley Brook at Sandley. Over the next two months, repairs to a number of stiles in the same area will take place. Funding from White Hart Link is still available to replace stiles with gates on the path from Kington Magna to Nyland but work may have to wait until the ground has dried out. Volunteer work has continued, which was allowed under tier restrictions. As well as stile and finger post repairs, worn and broken waymarks are being replaced and foliage around stiles and gates cut back. MHT intends to proceed with the adopt-a-path scheme once restrictions are eased. Health walks in Gillingham and Shaftesbury continued with some restrictions. Please report any footpath problems to MHT.</p>	RG
60/20	<p>Nyland (FS): As per the highways report, RG has reported the potential hazard on the lane from Nyland to the A30 to DC Highways who will investigate after the Christmas break and decide on what action to take. As per agenda item 56/20, FS and RG met with SSDC Specialist Environment Health regarding the issue of external light in the Henstridge Airfield area. On inspection, the officer advised the site manager of possible improvements however, having then viewed the site from Kington Magna, concluded the lighting was not a nuisance, (as classified when in a dark room with the curtains closed the light penetrating the room is sufficient to be able to read text). A summary email from FS pointed out clause 13.69 of the SSDC Local Plan and requested if this could/should be included as a condition in all future planning applications along with a further request for SSDC to retrospectively instruct the various sites to comply with the SSDC Local Plan. The officer’s response was that he cannot advise on matters of Development Control. Contact details for Development Control have been requested in order to push for the assurances committed to previously. A possible tact would be to involve the local MP’s.</p>	
61/20	<p>Kington Magna update: Grant applications have been submitted to Dorset Leisure Development fund and Wessex Water Community fund and Dorset Community Foundation for the proposed new tower/bridge at the Kington Magna Play Area. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Ridout for agreeing to be the listed independent. An article was placed in Hear Here informing residents of the proposed addition, subject to funds being available, with a request for views and fund raising ideas. To date only one question, regarding the height of the structure which is 3.3m, has been received with no other comments submitted.</p>	
61/20.1	<p>Kington Magna Councillor Vacancy: A councillor vacancy has been advertised both on the notice board and in Hear Here. No response received to date.</p>	
62/20	<p>Update on enforcements:</p> <p>(i) Land next to railway line in Buckhorn Weston ENF/2011/0101: The Environment Agency found no issues with pollution. DC have confirmed that the enforcement process is proceeding but requires consideration of the local plan with the involvement of many colleagues. Cllr Ridout will look into this on behalf of the PC and try to chase it along.</p> <p>(ii) Goat farm at Shutes Lane ENF/2019/0185: A planning appeal notification was received on 30th December. Appeal documents submitted have not yet been uploaded on the portal system and therefore no comparison can be made of the applicant’s original application explanations with more recently submitted appeal statements. A query was raised as to how the applicants can produce cheese and soap on site with no electricity or mains water. It was considered that further research of the documents is required with a possible planning meeting prior to the deadline of 2nd February to agree comments which may be submitted.</p> <p>Action: Forward specific document discussed as seen to Pippa and other councillors.</p>	FS

	Action: If requested, arrange planning meeting before 2nd February deadline.	Clerk
63/20	Format for 2021 Annual Parish Meetings: Due to current restrictions/lockdown, the PC agreed to undertake a monthly rollover subscription with Zoom so that meetings can be held virtually. Following the Government's guidance, and the likelihood that restrictions/lockdown continue for some time, the Zoom system will enable the APM's to proceed. Invitations will be extended to the usual groups with an offer to attend the Zoom meeting or alternatively submit reports electronically. With the restrictions of the last year, it may be that there are no reports to submit however, the virtual system will enable the meeting to take place. Action: Arrange Zoom APM and issue invitations.	<i>Clerk</i>
64/20	Items for next agenda: Dorset Local Plan consultation (pending deadline) Neighbourhood plan report (KA) Enforcement updates	
65/20	Matters Pertinent: None	
66/20	Date of next Meeting: 1 st March 2021 by Zoom virtual meeting 7pm Annual Parish Meeting Buckhorn Weston 7.30pm Full Council Meeting	
	Meeting closed at 20.55pm	
	SignedChairman Date	

Appendices

- A. RFO & Clerk's report
- B. Accounts and payments for the period 1st November to 31st December 2020
- C. Bank reconciliation
- D. Proposed budget and precept request for 2021/22.

Copies of enclosures can be obtained on request from the Parish Clerk