



# Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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## FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7.30pm at Buckhorn Weston Village Hall

Item	Parish Councillors Present: Ms Phillipa Chapman (Chairman (PCN), Roger Gosney (Vice-Chairman (RG), Tim Wilton (TW), Mrs Linda Munster (LM), Kevin Aldred (KA), Fred Shotter (FS), Simon Stranger (SS), Tom Riall (TR), Mrs Anna Grant (AG) Dorset Councillor(s) Present: 2 Members of the public: There were 9 members of the public present Members of the press: There were no members of the press present In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM)	Action
	<b>Public Session:</b> Clarification on Kington Magna's Neighbourhood Plan (NP) and settlement boundary were sought as there have been many rumours. It was confirmed that no development outside the settlement boundary would take place. Questions raised for consideration later were if Kington Magna will have a separate plan, the steering group moving at such speed when the information is being made available at a slower pace and if the minutes can be issued earlier. A proper balance between the need for discretion and transparency in enforcement issues is required and the Parish Council (PC) should make it clear to Dorset Council (DC) to provide such information.	
60/22	<b>To receive apologies for absence:</b> Matthew Hoskins	
61/22	<b>To approve and adopt the minutes of the last Full Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022:</b> Cllr Aldred proposed "the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the above date should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Wilton seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved.</b> The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
62/22	<b>Matters arising from the previous minutes:</b> None	
63/22	<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.	
64/22 i	<b>Planning:</b> <b>To approve the minutes of the planning meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September and 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022:</b> Cllr Aldred proposed "the minutes of the planning meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> September should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Gosney seconded, unanimously agreed. Cllr Gosney proposed "the minutes of the planning meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> October should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Wilton seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved.</b> The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
ii	<b>To receive decision notices from Dorset Council:</b> P/PAED/2022/04498, Waverley, Sandley, Raise roof from 4.50m to create an additional storey to the existing dwelling: <b>Prior approval granted</b> P/HOU/2022/04052, Orchard Hill, Church Hill, Buckhorn Weston, Erect single storey extension, (demolish existing conservatory). Rebuild existing North-West extension. Replace existing porch with modification and re-cladding of all elevations. Demolish existing outbuildings & garage and erect new outbuilding: <b>granted</b> P/FUL/2022/04662, Nyland Farm, Nyland Lane, Nyland, Demolition of existing dwelling & erection of replacement dwelling, including car port & associated works: <b>granted</b>	

	P/FUL/2022/04664 Revised notification, Land off Barton Hill, Kington Magna, Erect agricultural barn for farm machinery and livestock: <b>granted</b> P/HOU/2022/05251, Honey Suckle Cottage, Church Hill, Buckhorn Weston, Erect storage shed and form access on land forming part of Honey Cottage. Replace the highway and pedestrian access from Honey Cottage: <b>granted</b> It was noted the garage at Honey Suckle Cottage was built before planning was granted and is now in use even though highways work is not yet done and that the road safety issues are still valid. <b>Action: Contact DC enforcement officer and report the above for Honey Suckle Cottage</b> <b>Consider application P/FUL/2022/06223, Land at Little Brook Farm, Hartmoor Hill, Buckhorn Weston, erection of building for use as farm office and packing/storage area:</b> The application was considered reasonable although the drain run off was queried however, a special way of disposing waste was noted on the application. The building will be sited in front of the silage pit. A report that spoil had been brought in and blocked the footpath was dismissed by the applicant who advised the spoil came from previous work undertaken on site and an accessible footpath remains. Cllr Gosney proposed "the PC support this application being a natural development of the agricultural business". Cllr Munster seconded, majority in favour. <b>Resolved.</b> <b>Action: Submit comments to DC</b> <b>Consider comments for application TPO/2022/0080, Agricultural building east of Elm View at Stour Cross Farm, Chapel Hill, Kington Magna, T1 Ash &amp; T2 Field Maple:</b> It does not appear that the trees will affect the building and as such notifications are extremely rare, it was deemed to have sufficient value for the PC's support. The owners can make representations if they have issues. Cllr Ms Chapman proposed "the Parish Council support this order." Cllr Stranger seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved.</b> <b>Action: Submit comments to DC</b> <b>To receive a report regarding the Planning Event held by Dorset Council</b> – KA attended the planning seminar and found the event disappointing as he was unable to speak to the Chief Planning Officer and could not get answers to queries, namely the power of case officers and how a case officer can override a request for a decision to be sent to committee. Cllr Potheccy advised that officers write a report based on fact, guided by the National Planning Policy, the Local Plan and any Neighbourhood Plan. The officer who has the delegated authority will make a decision, then contact the chairman, vice chairman and ward members. Ward members can only ask for delegation to be triggered and report the community's concerns to the committee. Ultimately the decision is made by the head of planning whilst consulting others. It was pointed out that the community should know how/why conclusions are reached. Further concerns were raised regarding enforcement issues, of which there are 3 situations locally, as the ongoing time spans and apparent lack of action could encourage others. Cllrs Potheccy and Ridout will chase these.	<b>Clerk</b>
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65/22	<b>Dorset Councillor's report: Cllr Ridout</b> Homes for Ukraine hosts needing additional support are being provided with up to £1000.00 winter payments per host household on a case by case basis by DC. Hosts providing accommodation beyond the initial 6 month period will receive an additional £250 from month 7 to month 12. DC is still looking for further hosts. Energy Saving Advice is available on the DC website. A mitigation strategy is being developed for Nutrients Neutrality and all affected local planning authorities will have to make due regard to this advice within their Local Plan. Developers will pick up the cost and have to demonstrate nutrient mitigation in their proposals. This does not apply to North Dorset as the River Stour does not feed into a special protection site. Grants are being offered to community and cultural organisations looking to support disadvantaged people in the DC area. They are available for sports, arts and heritage projects and can provide up to 80% of the total project costs with a maximum of £5,000. DC's carbon footprint has reduced since 2019 by 26%. Further savings are in hand and the council is on track to achieve their interim target of a 40% reduction by 2025. The second phase of the Library consultation has started and runs until the 22 <sup>nd</sup> December. It can be completed online at DC's website, over the phone or from Gillingham library. As libraries are important community hubs, residents are urged to share their views. <b>Action: Advertise the Library consultation on Nextdoor &amp; Hear Here</b>	<b>Clerk &amp; RG</b>
66/22	<b>Chairman's report:</b> Nothing to report.	

67/22	<p><b>Clerk &amp; RFO Financial reports:</b> The report, accounting statement and bank reconciliation were circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p><b>Bank Reconciliation:</b> As at 31<sup>st</sup> October, the current account balance was £20,842.70 (including the Neighbourhood Plan grant). The Nationwide account balance was £5,040.85. Payments received to date are £16593.86. Total payments out so far this financial year are £9756.24.</p> <p><b>To receive and approve accounts and payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022, including salaries and associated accounts:</b> Cllr Aldred proposed “the PC approve the accounts and payments for the period noted above, including salaries and associated accounts.” Cllr Gosney seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved.</b></p> <p><b>To circulate precept/budget proposal for 2023/2024 and consider possible additional funding requirements for agreement and submission in January 2023 and to confirm closure and distribution of Nationwide account:</b> The precept and budget proposals for the next financial year were circulated, the precept remaining the same as the last 4 to 5 years. Councillors were asked to consider and comment on the proposal before the next meeting. The Nationwide account is now earning some interest and as the KMPA extension is not moving forward at this time, Cllr Ms Chapman proposed “the PC keep the Nationwide account open whilst looking for alternative accounts with higher interest rates.” Cllr Aldred seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved.</b></p> <p><b>Receive quote for works to signpost at the corner of Weston St and Church Hill in BW:</b> A quote should be received in the next 2 weeks.</p> <p><b>Consider providing funds towards a new defibrillator in Buckhorn Weston as per email circulated:</b> The defibrillator in Buckhorn Weston will be decommissioned soon and although a grant is available, BWVCT will be £600 short. KA is most likely able to provide financial assistance through the Dorset Masons however, if this is not possible and, as there is a real need for such equipment in the village, Cllr Ms Chapman proposed that “the Parish Council support the replacement of the defibrillator and make up the shortfall in funding if the Dorset Masons are unable to do so”. Cllr Riall seconded, unanimously agreed. <b>Resolved</b></p> <p><b>Action: Advise BWVCT</b></p>	<b>Clerk</b>
68/22	<p><b>Neighbourhood plan update (LM):</b> A full report was circulated prior to the meeting. Drop in events were held in each village showing the proposed new settlement boundaries. Surveys have been distributed to each household to complete and return via post/drop box, email or through the PC website. The closing date is 12<sup>th</sup> November. Changes from the 2016 settlement boundaries are the inclusion of gardens, the spine of houses along Common Lane in KM, the former Cross' garage site and 2 small extensions on Church Hill and Shepherds Hill in BW. The proposed new boundaries are based on the information gleaned from the questionnaire issued in April and are the foundation for layers of policy protection to be written in with development specifics. The proposed boundary is in sympathy with the village whilst allowing a small amount of development and there will be no building outside of the settlement boundary. The steering group has applied to AECOM to carry out a housing needs assessment focussing on 3 areas – tenure and affordability, type and size and specialist housing for older people. Concerns raised by residents were that not enough time is being given for people to mull over the information provided, that the steering group is moving too fast and the NP information issued too slowly, that residents are not aware of the importance of this procedure and are ill informed. It was noted that since February, when the process began, all residents have had the opportunity to come along to PC meetings and NP presentations, answer questionnaires and make views known. Residents have been informed with flyers posted to every household and via Hear Here, notice boards, the PC website, Nextdoor and BW Facebook page but that too often there is no feedback. A separate plan for KM rather than a joint plan was queried. The villages are grouped as one Parish and at the very beginning of the process, residents had the opportunity to opt in or out and both villages chose to opt in. A KM resident asked why BW can vote for the KM plan? Everyone on the electoral roll can vote irrespective of living in BW or KM.</p>	
69/22	<p><b>Extension 15 minutes</b></p> <p><b>Five Bridges update (PCM):</b> The caravan has gone but not sure about the asbestos. Cllr Ridout will chase this up. Residents are reminded that this area is within the Stours remit however, the PC is helping them by liaising to get the picnic area sorted.</p>	

70/22	<p><b>Other reports:</b></p> <p><b>Highways report (RG):</b> A new road crossing ahead sign has been installed on the main road at the approach from the south to the crossroads at the top of Church Hill, KM. Road markings have also been painted on the road to make drivers more aware of the crossing. This was needed due to the number of near misses resulting from the sag in the main road denying full visibility.</p> <p>The damage to the shoulder of Common Lane close to the end of the village has been repaired.</p> <p><b>Overgrowth of signage:</b> A tour of both villages has been made with Dorset Highways regarding overgrowth of vegetation onto signage. The only one that DC accepted was their responsibility was the slow signs at the S bend above the tunnel at Sandley as their position is their responsibility is only to signs notifying hazards and for visibility splays at road junctions. Direction signs are the responsibility of the adjacent landowners. DC will inform landowners when required.</p> <p><b>Update on the community speed watch in Buckhorn Weston (AG):</b> 4 sessions have been carried out at the entrance to the cricket ground. Those caught range in speed from 36mph up to well over 40mph. There is a possible problem with the positioning of the 30mph signs on Templecombe Lane as they appear so far out of the built up area of the village that drivers ignore them and if they had been positioned nearer, drivers may pay more attention. There have been 2 or 3 visits by the Police Camera Team who have operated without the CSW team present. The planned week of monitoring traffic was cancelled due to a lack of the required number of volunteers being available daily and no deputy has been appointed to date. The team are considering doing Saturday sessions. A request to support The 20's Plenty for Dorset Campaign was issued to councillors.</p> <p><b>Public Footpaths:</b> No reports received. The footpath behind the KM village hall has been sorted.</p>	
71/22	<b>Nyland (FS):</b> Nothing to report.	
72/22	<p><b>Kington Magna (RG):</b></p> <p><b>KMPA project update:</b> A quotation for repair work to equipment was agreed but the contractor is very busy. Work has begun but the bulk is outstanding.</p> <p><b>KMPA formation of an official committee update and responses from Hear Here:</b> There is a need to have more direct participation from villagers. A couple of people have been approached but not yet responded. An item will be put into Hear Here.</p> <p><b>Refurbishment of millennium walk sign in Kington Magna:</b> The editor of Hear Here is getting a price for doing this and will have it brought to the next meeting.</p>	
73/22	<p><b>Update on enforcements:</b></p> <p><b>Land next to railway line in Buckhorn Weston ENF/2011/0101:</b> none</p> <p><b>Goat farm at Shutes Lane ENF/2019/0185:</b> none</p> <p><b>Land West of Symphony Farm to Quarr Cross - Lane Quarr EN/2021/00153:</b> none</p> <p>A request for updates was submitted although no response has been received. Cllr Pothecary will chase.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Forward copy of update request to Cllr Pothecary.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
74/22	<p><b>Items for next agenda:</b></p> <p>KMPA</p> <p>Neighbourhood plan update</p> <p>Five Bridges update</p> <p>Community speed watch update</p> <p>Savings account</p> <p>Resurfacing on Shutes Lane</p>	
75/22	<b>Matters pertinent to this meeting:</b> None	
76/22	<b>Date of next Meeting:</b> Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January at Kington Magna Village Hall 7.30pm	
	Meeting closed at 21.45pm	
	<b>Signed.....</b> Chairman	<b>Date .....</b>

RFO & Clerks report

Accounts and payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

Reconciliation 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

Code of Conduct

Financial Regulations

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