

Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on the 2nd October 2017.

Present: Cllr J Hooper – Chairman, Cllr M Jones – Vice Chairman, Cllr C Nadin, Cllr Evans, Cllr P Le Prevost, Cllr K O'Connor and Cllr B O'Luanaigh.

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips – Clerk and 28 members of the public.

Public Questions:

Members of the public expressed concerns and requested clarification on the process of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Chairman reminded members of the public that the Neighbourhood Plan Team have organised a public meeting for all residents of the village on the 3rd and 4th November, so they are given an opportunity to discuss the Draft Neighbourhood Plan in more detail. For the members of the public present at the meeting this matter will be discussed under agenda item 9 – Neighbourhood Plan.

17/67 To take any apologies. Cllr D Croney

17/68 Declarations of Interests and Requests for Dispensation.

There were none.

17/69 Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th September 2017.

There was one amendment to the minutes, under section 17/65 – Neighbourhood Plan, should read, the date of the 16th October to complete the Draft Neighbourhood Plan **Questionnaire** was agreed. It was then proposed by Cllr P Le Prevost and seconded by Cllr B O'Luanaigh that the minutes were a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

17/70 Matters arising from the minutes.

Matters arising will be dealt with under Parish Matters.

17/71 To consider development management matters listed on the schedule.

2/2017/1233/FUL – Clayesmore School – extension to theatre building – no objection – comments that the building will require first class air conditioning and sound proofing, especially on the east side.

2/2017/1503/House – The Vicarage Stables – two storey extension – objected to the design of the new building and also suggestion that the Conservation Officer should be given the application as there are parts of the building that are felt to be historical.

ENF/2017.0175 – 24 Oakwood Drive – fence. The Enforcement officer at NDDC have requested that the owner of the fence grows something along the fence to cover it from the A350. The Enforcement officer is also looking into another fence along the A350 as it is in an AONB and conservation area.

17/72 to receive NDDC Cllr report.

Local Government Re-organisation; The Leaders and Chief Executives of the six Future Dorset councils met the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, in London on Wednesday 27th September to request an update on the Future Dorset proposal for Local Government Reorganisation. The Secretary of State thanked the councils for their patience and recognised the challenges that the delay in his announcement has created. He is aware that the councils have established two new Joint Committees to develop the partnerships, and welcomed the good progress that has been made.

Leaders updated the Secretary of State of developments locally and assured him that support for the proposal remains strong. The Secretary of State said that Dorset is his top priority in terms of local government issues, and he hopes to make an announcement in the next few weeks.

While all of Dorset councils await a decision from central Government on 'Future Dorset', the focus remains on business as usual and in developing our collaborative relationships.

Two Area Committees have been formed.

The first meeting of the Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch Area Joint Committee will meet on the 5th October. This committee is made up of representatives from Dorset County Council, Christchurch Borough Council, Bournemouth Borough Council and Borough of Poole Council. Deborah Croney is one of the representatives on this Committee.

A350/C13 Road Improvements: Earlier in September, DCC Cabinet ratified the funding of the maintenance works and improvement schemes to the A350 and C13 (consulted upon earlier in June).

The works are soon to commence and Parishes directly involved have been invited to attend regular monthly update meetings to ensure that the programme is on track and also, for the highways team to gain feedback on any issues that may arise with design and construction, as the project progresses.

The first update meeting will be held on 9th October at 2pm at Stourpaine Village Hall.

HGV one way system: Consultation with the Freight Operators and Emergency Services will soon be completed and will allow Andrew Martin's team to finalise options and the detailed design stage once the feedback has been received. This will be the subject of further decision-making through the County Council

Cabinet and then the Regulatory Committee. Detailed information will be made available at the monthly update meetings as the project progresses.

Durweston Bridge Works Deferred to Summer 2019: The bridge works are now being reconsidered, Cllr D Croney will keep in touch with the engineers and arrange a public meeting at an appropriate time in the future.

Hambledon Division meeting Friday 6th October at 6:30pm Durweston Village Hall

The final Divisional meeting of 2017 will be held on Friday 6th October 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Durweston Village Hall. ***The Full report can be obtained by the Clerk or is available on the Parish Council website.***

17/73 Chairman's report.

There was no report given.

17/74 Finance.

The payment schedule for September for the sum of £2510.08 had been tabled. It was proposed by Cllr P Le Prevost and seconded by Cllr C Nadin that the bills presented on the schedule should be paid.

17/75 To consider other parish matters.

Environmental Protection: Cllr Nadin reported the following:

- The drainage issues along Shute Lane have been done and the issues at Tower Hill are being looked at.

Highways: Cllr B O'Luanaigh reported the following:

- The pot holes in the village have been reported to County Council for repair.
- Confirmed that County Council do send a road sweeper through some of the village a few times a year.

Recreation: Cllr P Le Prevost reported the following:

- The Village Club has had a replacement front, which looks great. This is phase one on an ongoing project to improve the Village Club.
- A request to the Council from a young gentleman, who is working on his Duke of Edinburgh award, to volunteer to help with the repairs and maintenance to the Play Area. It was agreed for the Clerk to look into the insurance side and as long as there are no issues, to agree for the young gentleman to help with the project.
- A note of thanks goes out to Rob Smith, Mark Downie and "Spundy" Jenkins for their hard work on keeping the village looking tidy.
- The Council were asked to consider a request for a disabled sign to keep the area free for disabled parking to be placed on the wall outside Abingdon Hall. The Council agreed that it would be a good idea.

Footpaths and Rights of Way: Cllr J Hooper reported the following.

- Confirmed that the Clerk had written to Iwerne Estate asking them once again to cut the footpaths back. The Clerk confirmed that she has not received a response and that the matter has now been forwarded to County Council and Cllr D Croney will be copied in.
- It was noted that the trees belonging to Claysmore School are overhanging the path and road at Watery Lane. Cllr Nadin agreed to follow this matter up with NDDC tree officers.

Village and District Liaison: Cllr Jones reported the following:

- Confirmed that Shaftesbury Hospital has won the right to keep their beds.

Neighbourhood Development Plan: Cllr Evans reported the following:

- Cllr Evans gave the following details of the process of the Neighbourhood Plan for the Village. He stated that in 2015 the village was asked if they would like to produce a Neighbourhood plan or not. Out of 133 people who attended the meeting, 133 people agreed that they would like to see the production of a Neighbourhood Plan. Results of the questionnaires that were sent out to all residents, was that the majority would like to see small development rather than large ones. The Neighbourhood Development Plan team listened to their request and started work to produce a plan for the village. There were areas which were felt good for development, but were turned down by County Council Highways for lack of access. The NDP team has been working hard with County Council, North Dorset District Council, land owners, AONB, Wessex Water and other groups that needed to be contacted before looking at potential areas for development to bring forward as a suggestion on the DRAFT Neighbourhood Plan. The Design Statement which the Parish already has is not a legal document, just a guide which the village and NDDC wish developers to consider. The NDP team has copied some details of the design statement, into the Neighbourhood Plan. The next stage is for the public meeting to be held on the 3rd and 4th November. These will be formal presentations commencing at 7:00 on Friday and 10:00 on Saturday. After the meeting, notes will be looked at and actioned as necessary. Once this has taken place, a draft Neighbourhood Plan will be looked at again by the Parish Council for consideration. If this is accepted, the Neighbourhood Plan will then be sent to NDDC examiners for their approval.
- Mrs Jill Major wanted it minuted that she had not put forward her land for the development and to clarify that the Barn application had nothing to do with the proposed Neighbourhood Plan.

- Cllr M Jones had previously agreed the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, but has now re-considered and would like it minuted that it is now not a unanimous decision as he has reservations.

Community Resilience & Emergency Planning: Cllr K O'Connor gave the following report:

- Is requesting volunteers for the Snow Patrol in the Village. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Clerk or Cllr K O'Connor direct.
- She had great pleasure in announcing that the Village received the Best Large Village award and also Dorset Community Iconic Award. She also reported that the two young men from Clayesmore that designed and produced the bench for the Village, had received second place in their category. Thanks to all of the residents who help in keeping the village tidy and for volunteering their time.
- A suggestion for a sponsored flower bulb for the village would be a great way to make those dull areas in the village full of colour in the spring. The Council agreed that this was a great idea and would be followed up.

Homewatch/Speedwatch: Cllr B O'Lunaigh gave the following report:

- There are 59 speedwatch teams around Dorset, which include the members of Iwerne Minster Speedwatch. The Speedwatch team are in need of more volunteers. If you are interested in supporting this very worthwhile team, please contact the Clerk or Cllr B O'Lunaigh direct. A member of the public came forward at the meeting to volunteer.

17/76 To consider DAPTC matters. Cllr M Jones reported the following:

- At a meeting with the DAPTC, Debbie Ward of Dorset County Council gave a presentation to the Committee regarding Unitary Status. She confirmed that no decision had been made to date and expressed that unless a decision is made soon it may not be possible to meet the change over timetable date of April 2019. If the Unitary Status goes ahead, Dorset County Council will be in charge of the Parish and all of the services that North Dorset District Council supply for the Parish will be withdrawn, therefore services will be handed down to the Parish/Town Councils. This is something that the Parish Council need to consider when setting their precept.
- The DAPTC will be holding their AGM soon and have suggested 4 motions that will be put forward for discussion. Motion 1- Beaminster Town Council would propose the DAPTC lobby NALC with a view to achieving a change in the legislation governing the de-registration of bus routes. Motion 2 - That DAPTC requests NALC to lobby for Central Government action to ensure that when a town or parish council objects to a planning application for legitimate planning reasons, it should be considered by the planning authority's planning committee. Motion 3 - Chideock Parish Council asks NALC to strongly request that the DCLG revisits the consultation on Parish Polls which was carried out from 4 December 2014 to 30 January 2015 but never acted upon, and to amend the current legislation governing Parish Polls. Motion 4 - Hurn Parish Council ask that the DAPTC take the issue forward to NALC to ask for a change to the law to make Parish Councils statutory consultees on tree applications in their Parishes and that the information provided is of a high enough quality to facilitate the consideration of the proposal. These motions had been circulated to the members, who are minded to support all of the motions.

17/77 To consider any other matters and recent correspondence.

Cllr Nadin reported that the 20MPH TRO notice 201 has been published in the Blackmore Vale and you can have your say by visiting the Dorset For You website, under traffic regulations order.

It was reported that a training course for using a Defibrillator was held at Clayesmore School on the 1st October 2017.

Agenda items for next meeting - to be agreed.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Monday the 6th November 2017 at 7pm.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.50pm

Date Chairman,

Iwerne Minster Parish Council