

Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on the 3rd December 2018.

Present: - Cllr M Jones – Chairman – Cllr P Le Prevost – Vice Chairman, Cllr S Trim, Cllr Hooper and Cllr K O'Connor

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips – Clerk, 7 members of the public.

Public Questions:

There were none.

18/83 To take any apologies. Cllr B O'Luanaigh and North Dorset & County Councillor D Croney

18/84 Declarations of Interests and Requests for Dispensation.

Cllr Trim declared an interest under agenda item 5 – Thatchways.

18/85 Co-option for new member.

Nobody came forward.

18/86 Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st October 2018.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr P Le Prevost and seconded by Cllr K O'Connor, that they were a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

18/87 To consider planning/tree applications received by NDDC. Cllr S Trim reported the following:

2/2018/1522/FUL – Thatchways – erect 3 no dwellings – after debate and listening to concerns raised by the members of the public, the Parish Council would like the following comments noted: Concerns over the access from the A350, the development is still mainly outside of the settlement boundary. It is in the conservation area and in an area of the CC AONB, it was also noted that it is close to an archaeological site. Also against the style of the development, would like to see a more open plan, rather than a gated community. Two members of the Parish Council were against the application, one abstention, one for and one declared an interest. The comments will be sent to NDDC for them to consider when discussing this application.

2/2018/1571/AGBFU - Notification of change of use of an agricultural building Godmans Farm Mower Lane- duly noted. The tree works at Forge Cottage and Bayards have been approved at NDDC. The planning application for Ismay Cottage is being heard by NDDC Planning Committee on the 4th December.

18/88 to receive NDDC Cllr report: Cllr Croney had circulated the following report: these are bullet points from the report, the full report can be seen on the Parish Council's website.

Shaping Dorset Council Update - Work continues with regular meetings of the Shadow Council, Shadow Executive and the working groups. Regular newsletter and updates on progress plus details of meetings held plus the programme of activity required to be completed by May 2019 can be found at <https://dorsetareacouncils.wordpress.com>. You will find a suite of information ranging from useful publications (e.g. Boundary Review maps and the constitution) meeting dates, agendas, minutes and newsletters for Parishes. Work towards developing the new Council's Budget is currently underway and North Dorset Councillors are keen to ensure that any council tax rises are kept to a minimum.

Durweston Bridge (A357/A350 Junction) Update - Just to reflect briefly that scheduled works to the flood arches was postponed just over a year ago. You may recall that the works will be extensive, requiring a road closure that will impact on the wider area. During the course of this year, Deborah has had a number of discussions and meetings with the engineers. With very helpful engagement from Durweston Parish Council, the County Council engineers are keen to ensure that the full closure of the bridge is kept to a minimum and that wherever practical and safe to do so, a shuttle system will be operating in order to keep access over the bridge open for as long as possible. The Programme of works is extensive requiring the replacement of the flood arches and also the road surface along the embankment. DCC Cabinet are considering the funding requirement on December 5th. Deborah will be attending to ensure that funding support is secured.

It is worth noting that the patch repair to the side of the bridge undertaken last month is a temporary measure. Further repairs using stone will be done while the bridge is closed next year.

A350 and C13 Road works update - Vehicle Message signs (VMS) HGV One-way system

Christys Lane, Shaftesbury – the civil engineering work is complete. This includes ducting, duct boxes, cabinet and concrete slab base for the sign. The sign and associated electronics are currently being manufactured with a view for installation later this month.

A350 Blandford By-pass – Civil construction is currently taking place before the sign manufacturer can install the signs. The works includes ducting along a section of the bypass and the concrete base for the sign. To ensure safety of the workforce and travelling public there are times when there are temporary signals so on occasion there can be delays.

C13 Melbury Abbas - Design work has moved on with regard to the HGV pull in and the new VAS sign adjacent to the pull in. Design Engineers are working with the manufacturer on the new VMS sign to be provided. This will be linked up to the existing VMS on Spredaegle Hill and the traffic signals in Dinah's Hollow that will be improved as part of the work. Currently, DCC are programming engineering work to start in January. This will require road closures to carry out the work. So further information will be forthcoming.

C13 Gore Clump Junction improvements (by Compton Abbas Airfield)

Design work had progressed and DCC are currently in the process of consultation for a Stopping Up Order for the northern side of the triangle, to ensure that this junction can be closed off.

Sign & lining matters - The majority of signing and lining is complete including all speed limits. There are a few matters that need completing which we are working with the DCC Highways Sign Shop to complete. This includes gateway signs in Durweston and on the approach to East Melbury from Zig-Zag Hill and improved signing at the junction adjacent to the pub in Fontmell Magna.

18/89 Chairman's report.

The Chairman urged anyone that is interested in joining the Parish Council to make themselves known to the Clerk or the Chairman for more information. The Council will be holding elections in May 2019, again if you would like more information on this, please contact the Clerk or Chairman.

The elections will also be taking place in May 2019 for the new Dorset Council Members.

The Chairman thanked the members of the Village for attending the Armistice Remembrance Day, it was a great turn out and a special thanks to Geoffrey Peters and the CSW Team for the traffic management.

18/90 Finance

The Payment schedule for November was tabled for the total of £799.98. It was proposed by Cllr M Jones and Cllr P Le Prevost that the bills presented on the schedule should be paid. All agreed.

18/91 To consider other parish matters.

Environmental Protection: Cllr Jones reported the following:

- Many Villages in Dorset have been labelled Hedgehog Friendly villages. If you would like more information on this, please contact the Chairman.
- The Government have said that there will be a new National Park. The areas under consideration are the Dorset AONB or the Cotswolds AONB. The decision will be announced in 2019.

Highways: Cllr Jones reported the following:

- The blocked drains outside the Talbot has once again been reported to County Council.
- It was also agreed to clarify who held the brief from the Council as officer for Highways at the meeting in January, in the meantime, if anyone sees an issue that needs reporting, please visit Dorset For You website or contact the Clerk. The Clerk also asked if photos could be taken of the issues seen, it will help when reporting the matter to Dorset County Council, which include the blocked drains and gullies along Tower Hill.

Recreation: Cllr P Le Prevost reported the following:

- The Christmas lights have been put up in the Chalk. (They look great).
- The rocking horse is still being repaired, there was more damage to the horse than first thought. It has been confirmed that the work can still be completed within the budget set.

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

- Dorset County Council have confirmed that they have mislaid the footpath sign that has been missing for the past couple of years. County Council have agreed to replace the sign free of charge.

Village and District Liaison: Cllr Jones reported the following:

- The village will be asked what they would like to see the Phone Box used for, if or when BT remove the phone service. Ideas please.

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

- The snow patrol is ready for the weather ahead and the grit bins will be checked.

Speed watch: The Clerk tabled an email from Mr G Peters, details following:

The Speed Watch team achieved 6 watches in November. 2324 cars were seen, 77 were speeding and the average speed of vehicles was 38.MPH. The Speed Watch team would welcome recruits, so if you are interested in supporting this excellent service, please contact Geoffrey Peters on geoff.peters13@hotmail.co.uk. or the Parish Council. Mr Peters had sent a detailed report to the Clerk, if anyone would like a copy of the report, please contact the Clerk.

18/92 To consider DAPTC matters. Cllr M Jones reported the following:

The Chairman had attended two meetings with the DAPTC, since the last meeting of the Parish Council, one was the AGM. At the AGM all resolutions were passed, Bryanston Parish Council's resolution regarding Planning policy, received a round of applause. The AGM matters were reviewed at a following meeting. Rebecca Knox, leader of the shadow Council and her assistant Jill Haynes gave an update on the progress of the new Dorset Council. At the second meeting which was a meeting of the Executive, the main speaker was Mr Matt Prosser the Chief Executive Designate, of the New Council. The new logo for the new Council has been agreed. There is only 119 day left before the official change over from the old County Council to the new Unitary Council.

18/93 To consider any other matters and recent correspondence.

Correspondence had been circulated An email from Mr Eric Eastman, expressing his concerns over the interference to the TV signal in some parts of the Village, since the mobile phone service providers aerials have been put up. The Council have put a notice on the notice board regarding this matter, the contact number is 080812128000 or website is <https://at800.tv/>. An email from Chris Bellers – Fontmell Magna Parish Council, asking if the Council would consider taking action to restore the two milestones on the A350. The Council agreed to look into this matter in the New Year.

Agenda items for next meeting – Website – Milestones – Highways officer

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Monday** the 7th January 2019 at 7pm.
The meeting will be held at the Abingdon Hall
There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.10 pm

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