

# Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Main Hall, MS Centre, Church Lane, West Parley.

Present: Councillors: Philip Bamborough (Chair); John Dinsdale (Vice); Mary Court; Matt Curley; Diana Penwill;

Barbara Manuel (District)

**In attendance:** District & DCC Cllr Parry; Linda Leeding (Clerk);

The meeting was opened at 19:30 hrs.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs: David Allen; John Barber; Lynn Wilson

2. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** None.

# 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20th MARCH 2018

The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting and were accepted as an accurate record (11249-11252).

# 4. MATTERS ARISING

All actions carried forward from last month actioned, with the exception of finalising details relating to the outside gym and ordering of the seesaw, along with submitting the claim for VAT reimbursement.

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC - None

#### 6. REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Parish & District Cllr Manuel explained that EDDC will link their corporate plan to the LGR giving a 1 year EDDC specific strategy. **ACTION:** Clerk to scan and circulate EDDC Council Agenda item. Local Plan Review identified no new sites are required for development, but 'tidying up' of existing sites held. Cllr Manuel explained that the Boundary review is reviewing Wards with the reduction of Councillors from 211 posts for EDDC/DCC reducing to 82/3 under LGR. This may provide an opportunity for West Parley to be an independent Ward, based on elector numbers, which Cllr Manuel urges WPPC to support. WPPC will be consulted on the matter in the coming months. **ACTION:** Cllr Manuel to email LGR news in brief to Council members & monthly report submitted to EDDC.

She also reported on Airport Constitution Committee, Bournemouth LEP A338 Blackwater junction nearing completion, further works will follow and early summer should see works at the Hurn roundabout, despite the lack of land acquisition. Stage 2 will be the Wessex Field development at the rear of Bournemouth hospital, having a link road to a business park.

The Chairman thanked District & County Cllr Parry for his report last month and Cllr Parry thanked the Clerk for putting him in touch with a resident who has concern over the surfacing in Parley Close. Work continues on the pavements/roads in WP and Chine Walk issues have been remedied, with Golf Links Road next. Cllr Parry commented on a resident's concern raised in 2016 with EDDC regarding the decline of trees in WP and concern that 're-plants' were not being monitored. He felt this was a bone fide concern as evidenced by the increase in tree felling requests. Cllr Parry met a resident from Alexandria Court who explained the difficulty in crossing New Road safely to reach the bus stop. This will be investigated again, as legislation may have changed since WPPC first requested this in 2012. Cllr Parry explained that the Ferndown Traffic Working Party is currently covering areas of West Parley and recommends that WP set up their own working party, which he would be happy to lead, along with members and residents. **ACTION:** WP Traffic Working Party to be established.

#### 7. CLERKS REPORT

This had been circulated prior to the meeting and the Chairman asked for questions. The Clerk asked Council for their consideration on a display of oversized poppies for the Remembrance Centenary. **ACTION:** Clerk to approach WP Memorial Hall Committee to clarify their activities and ask permission for poppies on their railings. The abandoned car remains in the PC car park. **ACTION:** Clerk to submit V888 and then contact owner and arrange removal.

# ITEMS FOR DECISION

# 8. APPROVE INSURANCE

The Clerk provided an overview of the insurance document and highlighted recent amendments. Councillors agreed to maintain insurance of Council premises and **ACTION:** Clerk to seek amendment to the value of the gym equipment.

# 9. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (1st May)

The proposed agenda had been circulated prior to the meeting and was acceptable to Councillors. Addition made - 'update on LGR' by District/County Cllr Parry. **ACTION:** Clerk to amend & post Agenda.

#### 10. WARD BOUNDARY

District Cllr Manuel covered this in item item 6, under boundary changes as part of the Local Government Review.

#### 11. GDPR

The SLCC checklist had been circulated to Council prior to the meeting. The Clerk explained that this legislation is extremely important and all Councillors need to undertake checks on their records held. A Risk Assessment has already commenced with a steps required in the coming weeks to evidence work undertaken.

#### 12. APPROVE YEAR END FINANCIALS

The Clerk briefed Cllrs on the document, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, with key spends being on corporate expenses, improved signage, legal fees, tree and general grounds maintenance. With funds ringfenced in March for known expenditure unlikely to be incurred in this financial year, there is approx.. £500 outstanding at year end.

# 13. **CHEQUE SCHEDULE** (circulated prior to the meeting)

Cllrs invited to comment prior to authorisation. Approved unanimously

| 2610 | ICO amended to Information Commissioner | £35.00              | Annual renewal 2/4/18                                       |
|------|---|---------------------|---|
| 2622 | CPRE                                    | £36.00              | Annual membership   |
| 2623 | Idverde                                 | £300.00             | Tree Surgery (T50, T78)                                     |
| 2624 | DAPTC                                   | £15.00              | Training - Intro to External Auditor                        |
| 2625 | War On Waste                            | £118.80             | Dog Bin emptying (March)                                    |
| 2626 | Fence Stores Ltd                        | £105.60             | Millennium Garden repairs                                   |
| 2627 | Mr John Dinsdale                        | £35.98              | Reimbursement for printer cartridge & screws for MG repairs |
| 2628 | Linda Leeding                           | £1,006.43           | Salary (increase effect April 18 - approved Nov 17)         |
| 2629 | Dorset County Pension Fund              | £318.73             | Clerk's Pension ee £63.75 & er £254.98                      |
|      |   |                     | Reimbursement of expenses (mileage, training, Land          |
| 2630 | Linda Leeding                           | £100.91             | Registry, stationery, postage etc)                          |
| 2631 | Mr P Bamborough                         | £10.50              | Post Office ID check for PC Banking                         |
| 2632 | Mr William Webster                      | £1,950.00           | Legal fees  |
| 2633 | GR Westbuild Ltd                        | £596.40             | Playground repairs (8 timber boards)                        |
|      | tota                                    | el <b>£4,629.35</b> |   |
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|      | Bank Account Balance End Mar            |                     |   |
|      | Less Community Fund £13 954 54          |                     |   |

Bank Account Balance End Mar
Less Community Fund
Less Outstanding Cheques
Less this month's cheques
Less Ringfenced Funds
£2,438.92
£4,629.35
£26,448.00
£455.56

#### 14. PLANNING MATTERS

The Chairman handed the meeting to the Planning Chairman, Cllr Court. The minutes of the Planning Committee date 4<sup>th</sup> April, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

#### 3/18/0873/OUT 217 New Road, West Parley

Demolish existing dwelling and erect 9 no 2 bedroom flats with parking

The Planning Chair explained that this application was discussed at Planning Committee on 4<sup>th</sup> April and has now been correctly submitted. Councillors felt that all comments previously submitted still stand.

"WPPC commented previously on demolition of 215/217 in accordance with the reasons for refusal in the 2007 application. Namely proximity to SSSI / Dorset Heathland, proximity to the busy road layout of the Porsche garage, Ebor Close and concern that overspill parking would impact neighbouring roads. In addition it was felt that flats were out of character for this special protection area. Therefore Councillors wish to submit the same comments to the proposal for 215 New Road. "Councillors discussed the application and raised issues relating to the proximity of the bus stop and nearby junctions to Ebor Close, in addition to the congestion around the junction for the Porsche Garage. Councillors felt parking was insufficient and overspill parking would result in neighbouring roads, the building was out of character for the area of New Road and would be overbearing on neighbouring properties. Ultimately, the impact on the Dorset Heathland, SSSI and Special Protection Area remains unchanged from the previous refusal. For all these reasons, West Parley Parish Council object to the application'. Should the case officer be minded to approve, the Parish Council wish this application to be referred to EDDC Planning Committee".

In addition to these comments it was felt that the 3 storey building would be overbearing and unneighbourly to the adjacent bungalow. Objection (4 in favour, 1 abstention, Chair wasn't required to vote)

#### 3/17/3572/FUL 135-137 Christchurch Road, West Parley

'Demolition of the existing buildings and construction of nine homes (comprising five dwellings and four apartments) with associated parking, access and landscaping.'

The Planning Chair spoke with the Case Officer, who confirmed that comments logged in the February application would be carried forward to this application and that the applicant was given the opportunity to improve the scheme. Councillors discussed the application and maintain their previous stance that the flats are completely out of character with the area, which benefits from a predominance of bungalows. Councillors feel that insufficient steps have been taken to remedy the proposal to be in keeping with the local area. Councillors asked District Cllr Manuel to refer to Planning Committee should the Case Officer be minded to approve. Objection (4 in favour, 1 abstention, Chair wasn't required to vote)

The meeting was handed back to the Chairman.

# 15. To exclude the Press and Public in accordance with Section 1, subsection (2) of the Public Bodies (Admisssions to Meetings) Act 1960. Cllr Parry left the meeting 21:18 hrs.

**16. PARLEY SPORTS CLUB** Matters were discussed and confidential minutes approved and taken.

#### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND INFORMATION

#### 17. ACTIVITY PLAN

The document had been circulated prior to the meeting and the Clerk talked through the outstanding items. Councillors reported that 2 further quotes for tree works have been sought, with regret the large individual American Oak adjacent to the gazebo on the Recreation Ground needs to be felled, along with 4 other specimens. The brush will be chipped and added to the footpath and the wood sectioned and for Council disposal. Community events - **ACTION:** Clerk to establish attendance at Sting in the Tale event last year and book Nuts about Nature for the summer. Footpath audit to be undertaken to ensure clear for residents' enjoyment. **ACTION:** Cllr Court to liaise with resident on approach, and assistance usually offered by WP Volunteers. The Clerk confirmed that the nomination forms for Chair / Vice Chair had already been circulated and 2 forms proposed / seconded were handed to the Clerk. **ACTION:** Any other forms to be returned by 2/5/18.

#### 18. COUNCILLORS LEAD AREAS (Report circulated prior to the meeting)

This month there were reports from the Chair, Vice Chair, Cllr Penwill, Cllr Court, Cllr Barber.

Cllr Bamborough confirmed that WPMH constitution should be welcomed by WPPC, rights to attend and vote protected.

Cllr Dinsdale informed Councillors that Millennium Garden gravel boards replaced, old to be removed. Cllr Penwill asked if Car Park fly-tipping could also be disposed of. Blanket permission for 2 year tree works granted by EDDC for works on the Recreation Ground. Councillors agreed to delegated power to Cllr Dinsdale to sanction contractor, in line with discussions. Cllr Dinsdale reported that now the WPRA volunteers have taken responsibility for the roadside planters once more, the railing planters have been removed for general maintenance and need replacing. District and County Councillors said that some Ward budget may be available to the WPRA if they apply. Cllr Dinsdale finally reported that the Friends of the Earth air quality monitor has been sent off to be analysed.

Cllr Court commented that the land adjacent to Brambles House was refused due to proximity of Dorset Heathland, due to wildlife importance. Yet this is also adjacent to the New Road field up for development!

Cllr Penwill asked if the WPRA volunteers could replace a wooden post on the bund nearest the entrance to the play area (one available on the rec ground), Cllr Dinsdale agreed. Cllr Penwill also commented that since the temporary signage has been up stating that the bins are for users of the facility and not waste from home, the situation with bulk deposits into the dog bins has reduced. She added that the Rec Ground was boggy in parts and may be worth aerating. **ACTION:** Clerk to obtain quote for aerating and weed-killer treatment of the Recreation Ground.

# 19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Committee meeting is 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 19.30 hrs (7.30pm). The next Full Council meeting was set as Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 19:30 hrs (7.30pm). All at the Main Hall, MS Centre, Church Lane, West Parley.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 22.07 hrs.