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WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL
COVID 19 EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN HARMANS CROSS VILLAGE HALL TUESDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2020

PRESENT Cllrs J Burden Chairman, Cllr I Bugler, Cllrs C Melville, Mrs. C Vosper R Woolford
APOLOGIES, Cllr Mrs. L Spencer – Duncan, Cllr Mrs. K Riggs,

ADMINISTRATION

2345 The Parish Council's November meeting notices and meeting arrangements provided for public attendance. Three members of the public attended. Members of the public had raised items for discussion by the PC with Cllr Woolford and these were later raised by him as an agenda item. In person access was permitted to the hall under the current government guidelines. Full safety procedures as set out in national and local guidance for work use of public halls were followed. **Action** Clerk

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

2346 This was temporarily suspended due to Covid 19.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

2347 The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 6 October had been previously circulated. As proposed by Cllr Vosper and seconded by Cllr Bugler these were agreed by all Councillors as a true and accurate record, and signed by the Chairman. **Action** Clerk

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

2348 The Action Points as circulated arising from the last and previous meetings were noted.

2349 The PC continued to be concerned at the failure of Dorset Council (Highways) to deal with the ongoing water leakage from the surface and BT utility box in Banks Hill down into the Worth village. This is now a significant safety problem once a cold spell of winter set in and should be raised again with Cllr Brooks the DC Cllr for Worth Matravers and appointed paid Lead DC Cllr on highways matters. **Action** Clerk

2350 The Clerk updated information from SSE Contracting on the 3 November that there had been a supply to them of the lanterns for the two new Street Lights at the junction of Haycrafts lane and the Valley road A351. EE had stated replacement work should start imminently **Action** Clerk

2351 The BT repairs to the BT phone box in WM village had now been satisfactorily completed. The Clerk had thanked BT for completing this renovation and re-painting work.

2352 The Worth PCC has indicated it is broadly in favour of proposals to upgrade the smaller childrens play area in WM. The Clerk reported the recent response from a resident expressing some concerns about potential local impact with possibly the zip wire being too high. **Action** Clerk

2353 The Chair raised again the ongoing spread of unauthorised development at the Poultry Farm site on the Worth to Langton Matravers road. **Action** Clerk DC Cllr Brooks

2354 The PC noted that no formal notification had yet been received by the Clerk that the Worth village Traffic Order for additional Double Yellow Lines outside the church had been made. No response had been received to his request for a site meeting with DC officers to see how WMPC could assist with some finance to ensure a comprehensive white and yellow lining maintenance and improvement scheme for the village centre. **Action** Clerk

DORSET COUNCIL; COUNCILLOR CHERRY BROOKS REPORT

2355 No report had again s been provided and the DC Cllr Brooks is unable under CV 19 to attend this WMPC meeting in person at the HXVH. Cllrs reiterated their concerns about the lack of adequate PC representation from this their DC Cllr.

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Following October Minute **2326** The Chairman and Cllrs requested that Cllr Brooks as the DC paid lead Member for County Highway matters be asked again for DC highway enforcement action namely, **2356** The state of the road down from the Square and Compass to the Worth village Green is dangerous especially as winter approaches with now many months of flooding out of different parts of the road surface including out of BT manhole. This has created any number of surface defects which now needed fixing. **Action** Clerk

2357 Parish Councillors also expressed their concerns as to the ongoing lack of any effective action by DC Cllr Brooks to get DC to permanently remove the recently returned van and caravan encamped on the layby by the Old Lookout post on the Langton to Worth road **Action** Clerk

CORRESPONDENCE

2358 The PC would be objecting with a written representation to the Public Inquiry on the 16 November on the proposed fare increases on the Studland Ferry. The PC would also support the objections of Studland Parish Council and the comments made to the Inquiry by Corfe Castle and Langton Matravers PC's. The Clerk informed the meeting of the grounds of objection which would be sent out to the Inquiry Inspector and the applicants after the Chairman and Vice Chairman had been circulated with the detailed response. **Action** Clerk

2359 Swanage, Dorset Council, and Bournemouth Christchurch Poole, Councils would be represented by Counsel at this Public Inquiry.

2360 Cllr Woolford raised a number of representations he had receive from local WM residents about proposals for a new mobile mast at the WM CP for O2 and Vodaphone The primary concerns were on the potential eyesore of a proposed height of 60 m and its proximity to some local properties. Some questioned whether an alternative site such as Kingston Church (a Grade 1 listed building) could be found or whether a less visible lower height and impact could be ensured. Some considered potentially less visible or alternative sites such as the old Observatory site in the Worth to Langton m road be used although it was explained they was little public space available at that site . It was noted that most of these objections had already been sent to Pegasus who with DC were the promoters of the scheme. Any others outstanding would be included in a package of all such representation to be sent by the PC to the promoters (Pegasus Group). All representations received by the PC would be forwarded in total to the promoters who were supported in the provision of a mobile service from this WM area by DC. **Action** Clerk

2361 Cllrs confirmed that the PC had always promoted and supported the need for a mobile signal for the WM village area as none existed at present. There was an urgent need for a mobile signal service for the Coastguard volunteers in Worth village as none was presently provided.

2362 Following the absence of the Chairman the PC accepted the tender from BBS for the refurbishment of the Worth car park men's urinal bank toilet with two new separate pedestal units. The Clerk confirmed this sum was within the financial limits set for approved in-house contractors. **Action** Clerk

2363 The PC noted the proposals sent in for improvements to the WM playgrounds in Church fields. The Worth PCC had indicated they were broadly in favour of these proposals. These three alternatives and their design and pricing would be circulated to all Cllrs and considered in detail at the next PC meeting in December. A potential start on site would be in the Spring of 2021. **Action** Clerk

2364 The PC noted these three different proposals for improvements to the Worth village playground included a zip wire facility for younger childrens. The PC confirmed that finance was available from the PC budgets for any of these proposals all of which would be formally presented to the next PC meetings

2365 The PC continued to have concerns that no effective enforcement action had yet been taken by DC to address the development overspill on the Poultry Farm site in WM which they were concerned could if no action taken get a deemed planning consent. **Action** Clerk, DC Cllr Brooks

2366 The PC agreed to the volunteer proposal from Cllr Mrs. Spencer Duncan for maintenance of the WM Withy bed. The Clerk indicated he would shortly try and attend to remove all the roadside kerb growth. **Action** Clerk

HIGHWAY MATTERS

2367 The PC noted that local DC Ward Cllr Cherry Brooks continues as paid an allowance as Lead Member for DC Highways (+£10,000pa) and Lead Member for DC for the Studland Ferry Inquiry.

2368 The PC noted the lack of DC action to move on the longstanding unauthorised and illegal encampment which had (as predicted by WM Cllrs) simple returned from Crack Lane in LM to the Royal Observer post in WM. Cllr Woolford would forward on to DC Cllr Mrs. Brooks the information that DC did have the powers to ensure enforcement action to remove this blight permanently so that she could get her officers to take the necessary enforcement action through the DC Head of Legal Services. **Action** Clerk, DC Cllr Brooks

2369 The PC noted and fully supported the DC Proposed Amendment to Waiting Restrictions in Worth Matravers village **Action** Clerk

2370 Although one had been reported as missing DC (Highways) had stated that all the bollards opposite the Tea Room in WM were now in place **Action** Clerk

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

2371 Tree works application - TPO/2020/108 - Layton, Valley Road, Harmans Cross, BH19 3DZ and Woodside, Tabbits Hill Lane, Harmans Cross, BH20 5HY. No Objections or comments.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

2372 The 2020-21 Cash Book Reconciliation. 30 September was noted

2373 The 2020-21 WMPC Budget 30 September outturn was noted

2374 Payment of Invoices received 6 October - 3 November

R Khanna	£	720.58	Clerk's salary, PAYE, and expenses
WMPC Office	£	66.50	BT Internet and phone,
J D Facilities.	£	628.55	WM Toilet Cleansing
ITB Gardening	£	1372.00	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance
Dorset Council	£	1500.86	HX Grounds maintenance
Burden BS	£	1570.00	Grounds maintenance WM

2375 **Confidential** . Collection of WM & HX Car Park Donations for October 2020 would be by the Chairman and Cllr Woolford.

COUNCILLOR RAISED INFORMATION AND OTHER ITEMS

2376 Cllrs raised the continuing lack of maintenance of the centre and white line markings on the 60 mph Kingston to Langton road through Worth Matravers Parish. **Action** Clerk

2377 The PC noted that WM local Operation Beach Clean in had resulted in further rubbish collected being deposited in WM car park. **Action** Clerk

2378 The PC noted the need for repairs by DC to the kissing gate in towards East Man **Action** Clerk

2379 The PC noted that in the forthcoming public lockdown from 8 November the WM and HX car parks would remain open. Cllrs noted how in the last such event local and businesses delivery drivers and visitor volunteers were able to park and use the toilets safely in the WM car park. **Action** Clerk

2380 Cllrs were informed of plants now available for Flower Meadow from Cllr Spencer – Duncan **Action** Vice Chairman

This Meeting closed at 2038. The next PC meeting will now be at HXVH on 1 December at 1930. This would be advertised as Open to the Public to attend and observe and held in compliance with the Covid 19 Parish Council and Village Hall Management Committee Risk Assessments criteria.

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