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**Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross village hall on Tuesday 4 September 2018.**

PRESENT; Cllrs J Burden (Chairman), I Bugler, R Woolford, R Sandham, Mrs. H Selby, Mrs. C Vosper, Cllr R Field., DCC Cllr Ms. C Brooks (part)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. PDC Cllr M Lovell

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD.

There was one members of the public present and declaring his interest on his application in Agenda item 6b led to that being brought forward for Cllrs discussion.

**Declarations of Interest;** None

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**1666.** The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 7 August had been previously circulated. Cllr Selby proposed and Cllr Bugler seconded acceptance of these Minutes and these were passed by all Councillors present as a true and accurate record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

**1667** The Action Points arising from the last and previous meetings were noted. The PC noted a second estimate had been received by the Chairman for the DCC proposal for tarmacing of the footpath by London Row. This would be discussed locally and with the DCC officers regarding contributions. **Action** Clerk

CORRESPONDENCE

**1668** The PC noted the correspondence on Highways matters between Richard Drax MP and the DCC Director of Environment and Economy and the Clerks subsequent response.

**1669** A presentation in response to the issues raised in the PC correspondence with the MP was made by the County Cllr and DCC Highways officers. These matters included, the delays in DCC carrying out work funded by the PC, the infrequency of verge cutting, the lack of removal of overhanging vegetation and sign clearance and the unavailability of resources for prioritising essential white lining for highway safety. An agreement to the PC traffic regulation proposals to deal with obstruction of large vehicles through the Worth village was long outstanding. It was agreed a way forward was for the Clerk to meet DCC Highways officers on site to try and resolve outstanding issues and set up joint information or mapping systems to clarify Highway Authority and frontager ownerships and responsibilities. Cllr Brooks stated that DCC were pursuing a new Proactive Maintenance Unit for parish areas. **Action** Clerk

**1670** DCC officers agreed in principle that minor highway maintenance items could be carried out by the PC at its own expense and to liaise and progress the necessary Highways Act agreements under the DCC Working Together initiative **Action** Clerk

**1671** Cllrs requested that the quotation given by DCC for the erection of two SID poles be reviewed and substantially reduced in the light of the observations on site of the time spent and the actual work competently and safety carried out by the DCC operative. **Action** Clerk

**1672** DCC Highways officers agreed to look at the state of the road down to Hill Bottom and the responsibility for maintenance of the current substandard surface. They accepted that DDC had done some work there in the past but they did not consider it as a private street to be a DCC responsibility.

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**1673** The PC considered the 13 page multi-choice Dorset Highways Councillors Satisfaction Survey needed simplification as it took far too long to complete. It would be completed by the Clerk on behalf of the PC to include the dissatisfaction expressed over the past 12 months with this service **Action Clerk**

**1674** The PC considered the Code of Conduct correspondence between the Chairman and the PDC Monitoring Officer. It was agreed that the PC was quite happy to schedule in training on this matter for a future meeting but wished a specific response to the points raised by the Chairman. These included the decision making procedures of the Standards Board Sub-Committee which did not allow for Cllrs.

present at the time of the alleged discourtesy, to answer in writing beforehand to contest the allegations made by a complainant. Concern was also expressed that there had also been no acknowledgement to date by the Standards Sub-Committees or Monitoring Officers of the counter complaint. **Action Clerk**

**1675** The PC noted the Consultation Green Paper on Social housing closing date 6 November. This would be considered at the next meeting. **Action Clerk**

**1676** It was agreed individual Cllrs would make any response they thought appropriate on the consultation on the LGA green paper for adult social care and wellbeing **Action Cllrs**

**1677** The PC noted the case documentation on the Public Inquiry on the Sandbanks to Studland Ferry price increase at Studland village hall September 25-26. **Action Clerk**

**1678** The PC agreed the formal submission response on the Dorset Minerals site plans to the Dorchester Public Inquiry ( Dorchester) September 25-27 and October 2-4. **Action Clerk**

## HIGHWAY MATTERS

**1679** The PC further considered the regulation of the Worth Matravers car park extension with a width or height restriction. The width restriction agreed at the last meeting had been the subject of complaints by users and had been removed. It was agreed to investigate a new height restriction at the main car park entrance for potential use in the peak summer months. **Action Clerk**

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

**1680** PA6/2018/0429 Dunshay Manor Haycrafts lane HX BH19 3EB Listed Building Consent External repairs and re-laying of stone tiles to an additional area of Purbeck stone roofing following erection of scaffolding for access to roof void . No Objection

**1681** PA6/2018/0410 Abbascombe Farm WM BH193LF Conversion of workshop to residential dwelling. No objection to detailed proposals. Concern was expressed about pre application PDC officer advice regarding applicable National and Local Plan policies for justifying isolated development in the AONB outside the settlement boundary. This was to be taken up with PDC officers as the PC considered there was a potential for this application to set a precedent for large scale use of redundant farm buildings and even hardstandings for future new private residential development.

**1682** Revised Plans - PA6/2018/0349 The Brackens N Instow HX BH19 3DT Extend gable end roof above existing extension to form living space extend kitchen and flat roofs . No Comment

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**1683** The 2018-19 PC Accounts and Reconciliation 31 July 2018 as previously circulated were noted.

**1684** Payment of invoices received and checked 8 August – 4 September

ITB Gardening Ltd	£ 764.00	Grass cutting and minor work.
R Khanna	£ 800.00	Clerk's Salary PAYE, and expenses
WMPC Office	£ 50.00	BT Internet and phone
J D Facilities.	£ 628.55	WM Toilet Cleansing
DAPTC	£ 238.54	Annual Subscription
BBS	£ 308.40	Premises repairs

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1685 **Confidential Minute.**

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**1686** Cllr Selby raised the issue that parked cars on the boundary lines were impeding hedge cutting work. It was agreed that HXCP could be closed off for as long as necessary to enable the boundaries to be cut back. **Action** Clerk Cllr Selby

**1687** Cllr Bugler raised the issue of disabled access to the Royal Marines war memorial as recently one veteran had been unable to find out how this was done with main farm gates being locked off. On special occasions facilities and arrangements are made by the Royal Marines to escort disabled persons to access their memorial and it was recommended any applicant should be directed to them to facilitate their visit.

**1688** The PC noted that an application by WM residents supported by the PC to SSE to remove the electric service wooden poles between the Sq. and Compass and Newfoundlands Close had been made. Preliminary feedback had been positive as well as the potential for undergrounding of BT service cables to enable the poles to be removed. There was a cost to be supplied by BT for their work.

**1689** The PC was informed that a positive response to the pollarding of the conifers by Happy Cottage in WM village had been received from the owner.

The meeting closed at 9.47pm

Roger Khanna Parish Clerk

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