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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Worth Matravers Village Hall on
Tuesday 6 December at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs, I Bugler, R Sandham, R Field R Woolford and Mrs. C Vosper,
DCC/PDC Cllr M Lovell

Apologies for Absence Cllr Ms. M Shanks

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were no members of the public present.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

1110. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 1 March had been previously circulated. Cllr Vosper proposed, seconded by Cllr Bugler acceptance of these Minutes and these were passed by all Councillors present as a true record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

1111 The previously circulated report on Action Points arising from the last and previous meetings was noted. The Clerk updated the meeting in respect of the attack by a fox on the two remaining Worth village pond ducks. This took place in broad daylight as the fox hiding nearby killed one of them as they exited the duck house. The remaining duck has been removed to a duck sanctuary and three new ducks will come as a group in the Spring. The demise of the fox was reported shortly afterwards.

1112 Cllr noted the change of venue in 2017 of certain parish council meetings arising from the unavailability of Harmans Cross Village Hall for the June PC meeting. Cllrs were concerned about ensuring with the WMVH Secretary that there was a suitable room for a public at the meetings of the PC at Worth Matravers Village hall. The upstairs room provided for the December PC meeting had not been equipped with tables and the main hall and downstairs rooms occupied by stall holders and material were unavailable. Action **Clerk**

1113 The PC noted all the work carried out by Andrew White of Compact Farm in cutting back hedges at the highway edge from Compact to Afflington. This had made a great improvement. The Clerk was asked to ensure the Dubber insert included a request for other landowners/ tenants / residents with responsibility for land abutting the highway especially in Haycrafts lane to carry out similar vegetation cut backs. Action **Clerk**

CORRESPONDENCE

1114. The Clerk reported back from DAPTC on 20 November. Cllrs noted that no local venues were yet proposed for the latest Clinical Services Review public consultation that is now open and which will run until the end of February 2019. Cllr Lovell reported that the DCC Health Scrutiny Committee would shortly consider a report back on proposals to cut back into larger units one third to one half of existing local GP surgeries.

1115 The PC also noted the conclusion reported by the external consultants managing the consultation that the public and local Town and Parish Councils overwhelmingly favoured a reorganisation of the nine existing local County, Unitary, and District Councils into two new Unitary authorities. One would cover Bournemouth Poole and Christchurch and a second the remainder of the County. The Clerk had previously reported back that at DAPTC there was no general support for such a proposal. There was great concern on the future local accountability of a single Unitary Council serving towns and parishes across this large area of predominantly rural Dorset.

1116. The Chair and Clerk updated the PC on new informal liaison arrangements for East Purbeck agreed at a Chairs meeting at Swanage TH on 18 November. The terms of reference of this non-decision making group centered around sharing information in areas of common interest, joint approaches to development and project opportunities, and possible future shared services. Further parish councils east of Corfe Castle may be asked if they wished to attend. In the light of the previous item on the Dorset LG reorganisation proposals report and increasing attempts to pass services and costs especially on highways to Town and Parish Councils it was agreed future liaison was essential. An Action Plan is aimed for 31 March 2017

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1117 The PC noted the future East Purbeck Chair/ Clerks meeting with the National Trust arranged for 15 December. The PC was raising items of hedge clearance and the long standing impact on the AONB of the semi-permanent large spoil heaps from quarrying

1118 Cllrs rejected a proposal for a stone duck safe shelf in the WM pond. Complaints were received from residents that the pond was becoming unurbanised. Features which have recently appeared were considered to be inappropriate for what was historically a cart pond for wheel cleaning. Cllrs appreciated and thanked the volunteer for the efforts to date in carrying out the work but resolved to restore the pond to its previous condition and remove the cleaning bags, mini fountain and mini aeration pump. Action **Clerk**

1119 The service specific DCC Concessionary Fares consultation questionnaire on existing bus services prior to 0930 could affect users of the 40 and X43 summer services. There was objection to a proposal floated in the document that charges could be made for use of the concessionary pass with a fixed flat fare. The PC agreed to erect Route 40 'Use it or lose it' posters from PTAG at the Gallows Gore bus stops. Action **Clerk**

HIGHWAY MATTERS

1120 The Clerk gave the latest update from DCC Highways officers that they had been unable to meet their previous timetable and hoped the Traffic Regulation Order would be considered by DCC Members in January or February.

1121 Concerns were expressed about the dangerous state of the road on the weekend of the 4 December by Kingston Country Courtyard in Corfe Castel parish. This was caused by mud on the road and freezing temperatures. It was agreed to refer these on to CCPC. Action **Clerk**

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

1122 PA6/2016//0611 Paxfield North Instow HX BH19 3 DT Erection of single storey rear extension with decking and new porch. No further comment

1123 PA6/2016//0632 Cadenza North Instow HX BH19 3 DT Erection of 3 bedroom bungalow with new access. It was noted that the revised highway access plans were not yet available and had not been circulated to the PC. There was concern that DCC Highways should not approve the proposed new access on to the A351 Principal road. The application plan submitted was misleading as it showed a straight line main road when there was an existing bend in the road reducing visibility to the right of the proposed access. The PC noted the absence of a tree survey amid concerns that radical tree removal by developers in this part of the HX area was taking place.

1124 PA 6/2016/0700 & 0701 Renscombe Farm, Renscombe Road, Worth Matravers, BH19 3LL Change of use of buildings from four dwellings to two Alterations to the interior and exterior of listed buildings. No Objection

FINANCIAL MATTERS

1125 The PC noted receipt of the 2016-17 Bank Statement/Cash book reconciliation for 31 October.

1126 Cllrs carried out a 6 monthly review of the 2016 -17 PC Risk Assessment and Internal Controls

1127 Payment of invoices received and checked 2 November to 6 December

R Khanna	Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses
J D Facilities.	WM Toilet Cleansing
ITB Gardening	WM Hedging
Litter Free Purbeck	Donation
WMVH	Xmas tree donation
HXVH	Xmas tree donation and booking fee
K Vicars	WM Car Park Sign
T Hoad	Duck House

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1128 Confidential Minute .

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

1129 The PC noted from Cllr Vosper that a number of members of WCPT were unable to attend the weekday 4.30pm meeting time. It was to be rescheduled with a request from many for a later start time for people at work.

1130 Cllr Lovell reported that he would not be continuing as the local County Councillor when his current term ends. His party (Conservative) has selected a different candidate to stand for election. The individual is not local to East Purbeck.

1131 The PC noted a complaint with photographs showing the impact of hgv traffic using Haycrafts lane. A request for an 'Unsuitable for HGV' sign was not supported due to the relatively small numbers of such obstructive vehicles and the amount of sign clutter already present at the junction with the Valley road.

1132 Cllr Woolford raised the increasing height of more spoil heaps arising from current minerals extraction at the quarries at Gallows Gore. He requested this adverse impact on the AONB as seen from Harmans Cross and Nine Barrow Down be raised again with DCC Planners. Action **Clerk**

1133 The car park and house direction sign at Worth village by the Sq. and Compass was reported as being misleading as its aspect had turned towards the village centre rather than up towards the Worth to Kingston road on which the car park is located . It was agreed the Chair would look at this fixing being made more permanent or indeed whether the sign could be relocated to the other side of the junction.

1134 The PC noted the ongoing if slow progress of providing High Speed Broad-band in the parish. A report was noted of telephone engineers seemingly carrying out surveys for improving mobile reception in Worth area but no official follow up from EE who were previously looking at this issue has yet been received .

The meeting closed at 8.48
Roger Khanna Parish Clerk