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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Tuesday 3 February 2015 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Sandham (Chairman), Cllrs, Mrs. Vosper, Ms. M Shanks, R Woolford, R Field, County/District Cllr Lovell.

APOLOGIES Cllr Burden and Cllr Bugler

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were 14 members of the public present.

495. A presentation on Planning Enforcement with specific reference to the requirements for Camping and Caravanning sites was made by PDC Planning Officers. They outlined the very complex legislative and practical constraints for establishing Policy and Enforcement Practice for these sites. There were Planning, Environmental Health, and Licensing issues on many temporary and unofficial sites used for these purposes and all had to be considered within a framework of the many statutory exemptions they outlined for such land uses. Planning Officers who had a right to enter land to gain information on statutory breaches of Planning legislation had to be mindful of Human Rights and other legislation curtailing fact finding through any possible complaint of 'Intrusive' surveillance. Staff resources were limited and there were potentially very lengthy enforcement procedures where 'Breaches' could be proven to exist and were creating Harm' to an acknowledged public interest. In Planning terms these Interests would include Impact on the Landscape Character, Noise and disturbance to the amenity of Neighbours; Access difficulties; and Harm to the integrity of Heathlands. Officers confirmed that with the setting and importance of the AONB no new consents for new tented or caravan sites had been issued for some years. PDC considered there were already enough sites at present.

496 A series of issues from contamination on unauthorised sites from the emptying of chemical toilets to the length of time before any remedial action was taken were raised by residents and responded to by PDC officers. The Chairman thanked Alan Davies and Steven Boyt of PDC for their presentation.

497 Residents raised issues on safety and progress on Highway and Traffic proposals for HX. Particular concern was raised about the highway access used for the additional unit proposed on the HX Poultry Farm site. This concern was shared by the Cllrs who noted that again no objection was raised by DCC Highways. Cllr Woolford undertook to take this issue up with DCC Highways officers.

498. A resident updated the meeting with his thanks to the PC and Cllrs for their presentations at the recent PDC Planning Committee where the Affordable Housing scheme at Abbascombe was refused planning consent.

The public session concluded at 8.28pm

Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

499. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 6 January had been previously circulated. Subject to correction of **490** Cllr Field for Cllr Vosper, Cllr Vosper proposed, seconded by Cllr Woolford 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

500. The Clerks previously circulated report on Action points arising from the last and previous meetings was noted. The extensive ground and vegetation clearance at the Withered Bed had now been completed by the contractor. It was hoped that the WM volunteers would now take on routine grounds maintenance again.

CORRESPONDENCE

501 The PC considered the DWP Recycling sites consultation. Issues were raised about economic transparency and the lack of economic information on which to base a response. It was accepted how the current decline in market value for recyclables had severe budget implications. The primary concern of the PC was that any budget savings on the provision of Recycling Centres should not be at the expense of increased and destructive fly tipping especially across the AONB. It did not support closure of either Swanage or Wareham and could not comment on RC's in the 9 other areas. . A range of views were expressed with a consensus that charges could be made for residents who wished to dispose of non-household materials, rubble or DIY materials and some curtailment in the opening times could be considered. **Action** Clerk

502. The Clerk reported on the seminar to be held on the 10 February at PDC on the Purbeck Local Plan Review. Cllr Shanks had confirmed attendance and in the absence of any other Cllr the Clerk would also attend. **Action** Clerk, Cllr Shanks

503 The recently received PDC paper on Public Speaking at Planning Committee recommending increased time for Developers presentations was considered and not generally supported. A range of issues were raised from the mathematical inequality justification to prioritising local democracy. Concerns were expressed on the whole process for the timing and adequacy for responsiveness to presentations by all parties. It was agreed to place this item on the March PC Agenda. **Action** Clerk

504 The PC confirmed their policy that local funding through S 137 donations would continue to be for organisations providing specific and identifiable local services to the Worth Matravers Parish community.

505 The PC noted with concern the failure by the Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group, who are considering the whole future range of NHS service provision across Dorset, to effectively consult with residents on the Isle of Purbeck. The nearest local consultation meetings were to be held in Dorchester. The DCC Group had confirmed they had no proposals to consult in East Purbeck on the future of local service provision. It was agreed to seek support through the local member at PDC and DCC for this position to be reviewed by the DCC Group. **Action** Clerk, Cllr Lovell

506 New proposals for a Multi Academy Trust to cover local primary schools including St Georges Langton to which the PC nominates a School Governor had been recently received. These had been circulated to Cllrs and it was agreed to place this on the March PC Agenda. **Action** Clerk

507 It was noted that there were no schemes in the DCC Highways capital programme for 2015-16 in WM. There was one local scheme mentioned of £200K for footway widening in Langton Matravers

HIGHWAY MATTERS

508. The Clerk reported that there had been no further updates on Highway and Traffic issues from DCC Highways. The outstanding PC Traffic Order proposals for Worth were still 6th in the DCC Queue and, the HX 30 mph speed limit was to be advertised. Cllrs welcomed the remedial work carried out in WM and the replacement and removal of damaged bus stop poles at HX,

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

509. PA 6/2015/0024 Full Planning Permission Minor Development. Forest Edge Developments Ltd Erect a detached house and garage. Valley Road (Harmans Cross Poultry Farm), HX. The PC continues to have substantial concerns about the dangers on entering and exiting the proposed highway access to this site .A visibility splay is needed at this busy A road junction which has poor access visibility due to the existing horizontal and vertical road alignment . Pedestrian access from the site to public amenities at HX is very poor and a footway as requested previously from the developers across the site frontage should be provided towards fulfilling both functions . PDC was requested to earmark any CIL contributions towards the future cost of pedestrian footway on this side of the A351 Valley road.

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510 PA 6/2015/0036 Application for :- Proposed non-material amendment to PP 6/2012/0721 - Replacement of part of single storey flat roof extension with pitched roof single storey extension (to re-align external wall of old kitchen to match roofline and reframe window to appropriate size).Post Office Cottage, Worth Matravers, BH19 3LQ . No Objections

FINANCIAL MATTERS

511. The PC noted receipt of the Parish Council Accounts Reconciliation to 31 December 2014

512. Payment of invoices received and checked 7 January to 3 February 2015

R Khanna

Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses

J D Facilities.

WM Toilet Cleansing

ITB Gardening

Withy Bed Clearance

CAB

Donation

513. Confidential Minute

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

514. Concern was expressed about plastic tree guards being blown across the road and landscape from the land opposite Compact farm. Where practicable these should be cleared away.

515 It was agreed to raise with the landowner the broken access gates and fences at Seacombe area where cattle were straying out on to the cliff edges. **Action** Cllr Field

The meeting closed at 9.27pm
Roger Khanna Parish Clerk WMPC