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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Monday 5th July, 2016 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs, I Bugler, R Sandham, R Woolford, R Field Ms. M Shanks and Mrs. C Vosper DCC/PDC Cllr M Lovell
Apologies for Absence None

DECLARATION OF INTEREST None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were 8 members of the public present.

962. Residents asked for an update on participation by the PC in the private Judicial Review of the Abbascombe Affordable Homes Planning Approval as previously raised at the PC meeting 6th June, 2016. They urged the PC to put funds towards it, either as Claimants or in the form of a donation towards the cost of litigation.

963 A resident from Kingston requested support to fight the proposed extension of Swanworth aggregate Quarry from 35 to 70 acres, which will move the area northwards towards farmland. Problems of camouflaging a large site, prevailing winds bringing dust into the village, coupled with the quality of the water supply becoming contaminated are causing great concern to the residents. The deadline for objections to this planning application has to be by 21st July. Cllr Burden would be attending a Liaison meeting at Swanworth Quarry on 14th July at 5.30 and he would raise concerns then.

964 Mr. Peter Bowyer, Chairman, Pan Purbeck Action Council representing all those throughout Purbeck who were concerned with planning decisions, set out points of concern; notably the proposed new housing targets and housing developments in the AONB. These were not in line with the sensitivity of the Purbeck AONB. His organisation is concerned that the pressure for new housing is leading to prioritisation of developments over harm caused by these planning proposals to the AONB. The PC was supporting these housing target concerns at a meeting 6th July by the Leader of PDC with relevant Ministers.

965 Concerns were raised about parking and traffic problems in Worth village and alongside the Square and Compass. Without Police or DCC enforcement there is little the pub management or the PC can do. It was reported by WM Cllrs how parking especially between the School House and Church caused regular obstruction to tractors and large lorries seeking regular access along the road.

966 A request was made for more tree planting in the parish. Few new trees prosper in the very adverse wind conditions but there are now more substantial trees in Worth village than there were 50 years ago.

The Public Discussion period closed at 8.05

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

967. The Draft Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 6th June had previously been circulated and acceptance was proposed by Cllr. Vosper and seconded by Cllr Bugler. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 6th JUNE

968. The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer advised that the PC was a publicly accountable local authority. It receives Government funding in the form of VAT refunds and council tax rebates and is subject to legal and external audit. The request for PC involvement as a Claimant in the Abbascombe Planning Application Judicial Review could not be supported. He explained that the views of the PC and residents are not always the same and could be in conflict potentially adversely affecting success at the current JR. Acting as a Claimant would be costly for the PC and need the wholehearted support of all Councillors. This includes those representing HX as well as WM and this from previous discussions was not forthcoming. As requested he had sought advice from DAPTC and this was not to proceed further until the PC had consulted and obtained independent legal advice. These consultative legal costs would be substantial and he could not justify them. The Parish Council's ability to give donations to the current Claimants are also constrained by statute.

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969 It was agreed by the PC to have no direct involvement in the Judicial Review but that when the costs are known, that these could be presented to the PC, with a request for a contribution. Cllr Sandham advised there will be a cost cap sought, when claimants will have to decide to go forward on the JR or drop it. It was agreed that if necessary an Extraordinary General Meeting with all Councillors, will take place to make a final decision on any donation. **Action:** Clerk, Cllr Sandham

970. At the previous meeting a request was made for a formal response to PDC on their planning approval of the Abbascombe AH development. The Clerk circulated a draft letter from the Chairman to the Leader of PDC expressing the general concerns of the Parish Council regarding the Housing Needs Survey and the speculative housing being promoted in places in the AONB where it would not have been allowed in the past. The draft was accepted and it was agreed that the Clerk liaise with Cllr Shanks and the Chairman on the final contents before sending a letter out. **Action:** Clerk, Cllr Shanks.

CORRESPONDENCE

971. The Annual Playground Safety Report has been received and passed to Cllr Burden and HXVHMC for action. New goal posts have been installed and the net ordered. **Action:** Clerk Chairman.

972. The Invitation from NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group to their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 13th July 2016 in Wimbourne was noted.

973. The response from Head of Environment DCC, re: National Park proposal letter 11th June, from WMPC, was noted.

974. It was agreed to refer the Performing Rights New Local Authority Tariff Consultation to the HX and WM Village Hall Management Committees to consider and if useful liaise with the Parish Council **975.** The Volunteer Request for Healthwatch Dorset Car Home Project, 22nd June 2016 was noted.

976. This DCC Mobile Library service at HX and LM will shortly be abolished by DCC to save money.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

977. The Clerk reported on the Worth village traffic regulation proposals originally sought from DCC in 2011. These were agreed on site with DCC Highways Officers in 2014 prior to formal advertising in 2015. Two frontagers subsequently objected. A meeting was subsequently held with them and the PC by DCC. The PC asked DCC to proceed to their Regulatory Committee for a decision. These proposals as advertised were considered by Cllrs to be necessary and long overdue as explained in the public question time earlier. **Action:** Clerk, Cllr Lovell

978. Cllrs. agreed to DCC installing traffic speed monitoring systems at either end of Worth village (Abbascombe and Weston Farm approaches) at a cost to the PC of £400. **Action:** Clerk

979. DCC Community Transport Guidance. The published review states that the bus route subsidies for 44 and one early journey on the 40 may be abolished. It was agreed that a representation was made to DCC to support both bus routes.. **Action:** Clerk

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

980. Purbeck Local Plan. Partial Review of the Local Plan Consultation. Cllr Shanks stated that the current proposal to build over Rural Exception Sites allowing a minimum of 30% market housing on rural exception sites with the remaining 70% as discounted housing for sale as "affordable" housing, is unsustainable and goes against National Policy. It was agreed by Cllrs. to hold an Extraordinary General Meeting with WM and HX residents before consultation closes at the end of August. The Clerk will work towards a meeting on a Monday or Tuesday at the end of July and set down key points for discussion. Residents to be notified by eblast, via Jack Ross and Nigel Edmunds and notices to be placed around the villages **Action:** Cllr Shanks, Clerk.

981. District Councillor Lovell was informed by the Clerk that his and Cllr letters to PDC were not being acknowledged or responded to., **Action:** Clerk, Cllr Lovell

FINANCIAL MATTERS

982. The Parish Council Accounts Cash Book /Bank Statement Reconciliation for April & May 2016 circulated prior to the meeting were noted.

983. Payment of invoices received and checked 6th June to 5th July, 2016

PCC St Nicholas Church	Rent, W. Burton Field
WEL Medical	HX Defibrillator
DAPTC	Subscription Renewal
Nick Adams	Playground Safety Inspection Report
Post Office Ltd	HMRC PAYE
R.Khanna	Clerk's Salary and expenses
J.D.Facilities	WM Toilet Cleaning
ITB Gardening	Grass cutting
T. Martin	PC Web site hosting charge

984. Confidential Minute.

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

985. The NCI have requested and it was agreed to make the annual donation of £175 towards the cost of the telephone out at St Aldhelms Head. **Action:** Clerk

986. A representative from LM was asked to come to the WMPC extraordinary general meeting on the Purbeck Local Plan Review. Mrs. Colette Drayson agreed she would aim to attend.

987. A more prominent location map for WM was discussed, to be followed up at the next meeting.

988. Cllr Sandham noted an increase in volume of coaches going through the village to the David Donald Centre. The Clerk explained that Land & Wave now have a permit to enter the village and John Turner from DCC emails every week with the travel permits for a large number of coaches.

989. Cllr Burden stated that the side of Haycrafts Lane is collapsing and a drain near the train bridge is blocked causing two lakes of water. **Action:** Cllr Bugler cleared the pipe outflow blockage after the meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.14pm

Roger Khanna Parish Clerk