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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Annual Parish Council Meeting held in Worth Matravers Village Hall on Tuesday 12 June 2012 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs. J Meates, Mrs. C Vosper R Sandham, R Field, I Bugler,

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

558. There were apologies for absence from Cllr Hobson.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were no members of the public present

A member of the public who could not be present had asked that a question be raised on his behalf about the speed of vehicles through Worth Village as there had regrettably been the very upsetting recent death of one duck run over by a motorist. Cllr Meates would raise this speed issue with the PACT Police representative with a view to consideration of speed warning advisory signs as there was currently no local speed limit on these roads. There was an existing warning sign on the approach from the Square and Compass but all present were concerned that especially with the growing attraction of the Tea Shop at this location children would also be likely to be at risk from inconsiderate driving. The problem would also be drawn to the attention of DCC Highways. **Action** Cllr Meates & Clerk

Declaration of Interest

559. There were no declarations. Cllr Bugler subsequently declared an interest on an item relating to HX car park grass cutting which was not on the Agenda but was subsequently raised by a Cllr under the discussion period

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

560. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 1 May 2012 had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Meates proposed, seconded by Cllr Field 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

561. The Clerk presented the proposed property location sign for HX and reported back the observations received from residents following its display at Moonfleet Garage and at HXVH. The proposed sign was agreed with these amendments to be sent for a quotation at A1 size. Two signs would be considered for erection at the HX cross roads by the street light and on the car park fence opposite the village hall. **Action** Clerk to pursue estimates and to liaise with DCC Highways

562 The PC carried out a ballot of the Begbie field sites and allocated one to each sponsor. There were a few sites left available to residents in the parish and this would be publicised in the next Dubber. The planting date was confirmed as 21 October. Cllr Bugler agreed to take responsibility for sourcing a suitable supplier. **Action** Cllr Bugler, Clerk.

563 .The PC agreed that the WM Toilet block urgently needed painting prior to any more major refurbishment and the Clerk would source quotations for approval by the Chairman. It was agreed that a major capital scheme including baby change facilities should be drawn up and funding sources investigated. **Action** Clerk

564. The PC noted and agreed the quotation for a new gate to be fixed at the WM Car park second overflow and for the three tones of limestone chippings to be set down in the entrance areas. **Action** Clerk

565. The PC noted that a letter of support had been sent to the two sponsoring MP's and Richard Drax MP for the Planning Applications (Appeals by Town and Parish Councils) Bill 2012. This would if enacted give Parish and Town Councils the right to appeal against a decision by the Planning Authority (DCC or PDC) contrary to the WMPC recommendation for refusal.

566. The Clerk updated the Action Notes previously circulated to confirm the works at WM car park and on the path across the WM Green were still in progress. PDC had responded that they were carrying out limited responsive maintenance on the WM toilets within a reduced budget but would still meet the costs of cleaning and utility bills.

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567 Cllr Meates reported that the overhanging vegetation at Woodlands HX had now been fully cleared away.

CORRESPONDENCE

568. The PC noted that the Information Commissioner had not yet responded to their enquiry on availability of the WMPC Affordable Housing survey results to the PC. Cllrs present had attended an open day at the new units at Roman Barn on Windy Ridge. The development was very well built and had a well thought out interior space resulting from the area released when the previous design with straw bales was discarded. The PC noted that an award to Mr. Kenyon of the WCPT had been made by the Rotary Club

569. The PC received feedback from the Chairman and the Clerk on their respective recent meetings of Purbeck Parish and Town Councils with the Chairman and Chief Executive of PDC. Some discussion on the Olympic Torch procession and the vehicle train surrounding it took place **Action** Clerk

570. The PC noted the forthcoming meetings for the Clerk on PTAG, HXVHMC and Eneco. The Clerk reported that the next phase for the proposed Eneco offshore wind farm 'West of Wight' was the statutory consultation on the planning proposal. **Action** Clerk.

571. The PC noted the invitation to lunch in Kingston with the Bishop of Salisbury and agreed Cllr Meates should attend on behalf of the PC. **Action** Clerk

572 The PC noted the latest Boundary Commission proposals for PDC which increased the number of councillors by 1 to 25. This was less than their last proposal for 27 .The PC had not supported any increase previously but noted that the latest proposals made no difference to the single Langton & Worth constituency or its boundaries. **Action** Clerk

HIGHWAY MATTERS

573. The PC noted the letter to Cllr Lovell on the highways incident in January had been forwarded to the DCC Cabinet member for Transport who had not responded. The PC was concerned that there was a procedural problem in dealing with dangerous road situations as they considered that if identified as dangerous by the Police they should have closed the road until the problem was owned and had been rectified by the Highway Authority. It should not be left by DCC / Police it to a third party to deal with. **Action** Cllr Lovell, Clerk

574 .Cllrs reported the need for better coordination of cycling events as the previous Sunday had seen different events running in both direction through Worth and a further time trial up Kingston Hill. With a cycle event from Studland to Kimmeridge via Corfe at the same time the roads in the area were very difficult to negotiate safely or expeditiously. The PC asked that the Police and DCC Highways be contacted to respond on their obligations/ actions to ensure coordination. **Action** Clerk

575. The Clerk raised the request of support for from the PC for the DCC project for improvement works on the Priests Way estimated at £50 K. The PC was not happy with any improvement work on this footpath which encouraged faster and more intrusive conflict from mountain bikes with pedestrians. In the recent improvements on the Priests way near Abbascombe the gate at the junction with the Worth road had not been re worked to met the WMPC concerns as had the other gates which had replaced styles. The connecting rails at the new gates differed in cross section from those forming the rest of that fence line.

576 A response from DCC on replacement finger post signs at Worth Village centre X roads had been received and was read out by the Clerk.DCC would supply names of a supplier of the sign wood and lettering for the PC to purchase and paint and then DCC would erect the new signs. A check on appropriate destinations for these signs would be made. Members agreed the lettering should reflect the signs at the junctions with the Langton to Kingston road **Action** Chairman Clerk

577. The PC noted the continuing surface water drainage problems caused by the recent heavy rain by the Bakers Arms approach on the A351 and elsewhere due to inadequate highway drainage. **Action** Clerk

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

578. TWA 2012/0067 Worth House WM Conservation Area, No comment

579. HXVH Proposed storage facility drawings for information & informal comment. The PC had no Objection in Principle to the size or location of the proposed storage facility. It would prefer a proposal for a block rather than a timber building with a Purbeck stone frontage albeit all the other three sides could be rendered and painted as they could not be seen from the public frontage. **Action** Clerk

FINANCIAL MATTERS

580. Payment of donations and invoices received and checked May 1 to June 12 2012

Mr. R.Khanna

Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses

I Bugler

Grass cutting

Burden Building

Wm Toilet block repairs

DAPTC

Annual subscription

581. Confidential Minute

582. Confidential Minute

583. The Summary of the PC Budget Income and Expenditure to 12 June 2012 and the receipts for WM car park and HX were noted. In accordance with the recommendation of the Internal Auditor a Bank Reconciliation statement was provided for the end of the period for April and May 2012. The Worth Event had shown a higher level of donations with the car park manned and the Clerk would look at the possibility of such a scheme for the summer school holidays. Following the IA advice the sum collected would be treated in the accounts as a donation to WMVH. **Action** Clerk

584. Cllrs noted the 2011-12 audit return to the Audit Commission had been submitted, some questions raised by the External Auditor had been received and answered. **Action** Clerk

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

585. Cllr Meates raised the issue of the need for further grass cuts at HX CP and it was agreed to raise this by 2 cuts to 6 cuts per year. The additional work was agreed and the Clerk advised that this work could be done within the existing annual budget of the PC . Cllr Bugler as per minute 559 took no part in the deliberations / decision. **Action** Clerk

586 The Clerk confirmed advice on the conditions of use of West Burton Field to prospective wedding party users in WM had been given.

587 Clarification on the status of the improvement project for the damaged verge opposite Sunny Hayes was to be sought from DCC Highways. **Action** Clerk

588. The problems of obstruction and illegal parking in Worth Village continued and enforcement especially on Weekend afternoons and Sundays should be sought from DCC wardens. The cones on the double yellow lines by the by the Square and Compass seemed to disappear and were often ignored .

Action Clerk

589 Cllr Field raised concerns about the Localism Act having an effect on the 28 day exemption from licensing for short term camping. The Clerk responded that he was unaware of any proposals but he would seek information from PDC officers and report back . **Action** Clerk

The meeting finished at 9.44 pm