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**Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Tuesday 1 November 2016 at 7.30pm**

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

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

**1080.** Residents of WM presented a note outlining the terms of the original 1976 Begbie bequest on land adjoining Seale Cottage in WM. This clarified the point raised at the September Parish Council meeting. In brief, the land leased by PDC for 99 years to the PC was for use as an open space for the amenity and recreation of the local inhabitants. They undertook to provide these Begbie Trust and land conveyance details to the Clerk for inclusion in the Parish records.

**1081** The status of the Open Space adjoining the village hall at Harmans Cross was raised. There had been problems during the year of noise and disturbance for local residents especially from late evening summertime usage. The PC which is the Custodian Trustee for the property confirmed that this area was privately owned and was not a Public Open Space. The playground and field was a private area where visitors were permitted controlled access. There was no requirement to allow unrestricted use or maintain all the existing points of pedestrian access. Subject to agreement of the PC closing times and conditions of use of the Open Space were matters for the HX Village Hall Management Committee. Cllrs felt that a reasonable and balanced approach to late evening closing times should be made taking into account that the playground was available for older children who were hall users, residents of and visitors to HX. Information on closing times should be clearly posted on site and supplied for local camp site operators. Enforcement requesting people causing problems to leave could then take place more easily. **Action** Clerk

The Public Discussion period closed at 7.51 pm

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**1082.** The Draft Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 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 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

**1083** The Action Notes from 4<sup>th</sup> October and o/s from previous meetings were noted.

**1084** The PC confirmed its policy that any funded Defibrillator unit must be publically accessible at all times. The request for a donation received from Worth Matravers Village all did not meet this requirement. **Action** Clerk

**1085** The PC noted the response from the Dorset Waste Partnership stating that a minimum emptying charge of £4.50 a week as well as the cost of a litter bin would be set or any new bin on Haycrafts Lane. the PC did not agree this expenditure and Cllr Lovell agreed to take this policy change up with both PDC and the DWP. An alternative was to remove the £100 Penalty Charge sign for dog fouling on the footpath ate by Downshay **Action** Clerk

**1086** The PC thanked the Chairman who had personally replaced the height restriction barrier which had been taken/ knocked off at HX Car Park.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

**1087.** The PC approved the new Meetings Calendar for 2017.

**1088** The PC agreed a donation of £150 to provide personal equipment for the Harmans Cross litter picking volunteers. **Action** Clerk

**1089** The PC objected to the BT proposal to remove the phone box in Worth Village. This facility on a remote rural site had been used over 100 times in the last year by visitors who cannot access any mobile phone signal in the centre of the village. They therefore had no alternative method of making a telephone call. This phone box with a landline facility was essential for urgent or emergency communication for visitors in the public areas around and adjoining the village centre. **Action** Clerk

**1090** The PC considered a range of options from see-saw manufacturers. It agreed to seek a grant for a new see-saw in the WM playground and to match fund the cost up to a maximum of £3000.

**1091** The PC noted the DAPTC AGM Motions from Town and Parish Councils. It agreed to support Motion 3 that the Right to Buy be excluded from Rural Exception Sites, Motion 4 that Legislation to require licensing of cycling events with more than 10 cyclists Motion 5 that PC's should be made aware by PDC of all consultation affecting their area and Motion 6 for PCs to be statutory consultees for all licensing applications. (Currently not consulted) **Action** Clerk

**1092** The PC noted that the proposed 2017 Rateable Value review increased the PC Rateable Values for HX and WM car parks by approximately 30%. The Clerk was tasked with review and possible objection and to contact the MP with regard to taking up again with government the £4656 RV for the public toilet building at WM. **Action** Clerk

**1093** The PC agreed to make a one off donation of £250 for a new purpose built replacement Duck House at Worth Matravers. **Action** Clerk

## HIGHWAY MATTERS

**1094.** The PC discussed the detail of the speed surveys DCC had carried out in WM village in September. These showed as expected few vehicles exceeding 20 mph in the village centre but some vehicles on the approaches from Abbascombe and Weston driving too fast. It was agreed to seek off road advisory signs of the Twenty is Plenty variety and possible gateway effect on private land on the approaches to the village. **Action** Clerk

**1095** The PC noted DCC policy is that overhanging vegetation removal is the responsibility of the landowner. The PC agreed to take the issue up with the National Trust and approved seeking an estimate for this work on the minor roads in the parish where due to the multiplicity of land owners pursuing individuals with enforcement would not be practical or cost effective for the PC, , **Action** Clerk

**1096** The PC requested that the unauthorised signs on Haycrafts Lane by Downshay were brought to the attention of DCC Highways. **Action** Clerk

**1097** The PC agreed to seek replacement of the damaged WM car park signs and to erect two additional donation request signs setting out the substantial revenue and capital cost of running the car park and toilet block solely for visitors to the parish . **Action** Clerk

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

**1098** TWA 2016/0187 Clonmel Valley road HX and TWA 1016 /182 were considered by Cllr circulation prior to the meeting, There are objections to the proposed tree works on the Oak on TWA 2016/0187

**1099** PA 6/2016/0611 North Instow (Paxfield), Harmans Cross, BH19 3DT Single storey rear extension with decking, associated internal modifications and new porch to front. No Comment

**1100.** PA6/2016//0580 Construction of single detached dwelling Forest Edge Developments (Poultry Farm site) off Valley road HX. Informative The application form is incorrect stating that under the Question "Is the site currently vacant?" the applicant has stated 'No'. This seems to be incorrect as the site is currently free of development. Infilling this vacant plot will on this already cramped site is contrary to the previous applied HX policy of large houses in large gardens.

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**1101** PA6/2016/0591 White Wings Annexe, Retrospective application to erect extension as built, Valley Road HX. The PC is concerned that the planning history of this development is rather complex and is not mentioned in this application. Enforcement action should have prevented this development being built without planning consent in the first place. The PC object to the proposal as it does not form part of a single self-contained unit.

**1102** PA 6/2016/0632 was deferred for circulation of details when received from PDC. Considerable concern was raised about the proposed access arrangements from Valley road.

#### FINANCIAL MATTERS

**1103.** The Parish Council Accounts Cash Book /Bank Statement Reconciliation for September30th 2016 circulated prior to the meeting was noted.

**1104** The six monthly 2016-17 budget monitor was noted.

**1105.** Payment of invoices received and checked 5<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November

Post Office Ltd

R.Khanna

J.D. Facilities

ITB Gardening

Burden Building

DWG Smith

HMRC PAYE

Clerk's Salary and expenses

WM Toilet Cleaning

Grass cutting

Repairs to WM playground equipment.

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**1106.** Confidential Minute.

#### PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**1107** Cllrs were concerned about continued parking by visitors on the triangle green outside the London Row cottages. Investigations into suitable sized self-enforcing stone boundary markers were required.

**Action** Clerk

**1108** The mud and debris on the road from the local quarry works around Acton Gate were raised as these had recently created a dangerous road surface problem in wet or icy weather. The state of the Langton to Worth road and parts of the main B3015 by the junction with the Langton to Kingston road were to be raised for action by DCC Highways with the operator. **Action** Clerk

**1109** Cllrs were concerned that the reported carriageway edge failures by Abbascombe had not been attended to by DCC after being reported. Damage to vehicles was continuing and claims would be forwarded to DCC. Similarly, only 3 of the 5 deep holes reported to DCC in the passing places on the Worth to Kingston road had been recently filled in.

The meeting closed at 9.16pm