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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Annual Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Tuesday 6 October 2015 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs, Mrs. Vosper, I Bugler, R Woolford , R Field, Ms. M Shanks, R Sandham, M Lovell

Apologies for Absence None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were five members of the public present.

720. Representatives from Swanworth Quarry gave a presentation of their current proposals for inclusion in the future DCC Minerals Sites Plan. They set out the Need for their stone to be extracted and their views on the implications on the local area in terms of, Transport, Noise and Disturbance, Water Supply, Cultural and Visual Impact. There was to be a flexible extraction programme over many years with subsequent restoration possibly back to farmland. The restoration of their current site was to be phased in with completion by 2025. They confirmed that 68 people were employed from the site and that 90% of the aggregate output would be sent out to the Poole /Bournemouth area. Their main product was used for sub bases, gabion infills as at the Swanage Tip and 2000 tonnes of limestone dust were used by farmers on fields. They explained with diagrams and drawings the extent of their proposals and the impact, with appropriate bunding, on the AONB landscape of their open cut and new bridge and tunnel proposals.

721 A range of questions from the floor were answered included the need for notice of explosions.

722 Residents raised a series of environmental and highway issues about the DCC Minerals Sites Plans proposals in the Gallows Gore area. There were already the two large existing sites at Landers and Lovells Quarries with cumulatively significant visual impact on the AONB from the Purbeck Hills and properties up from Harmans Cross. There had over the many years they had been resident been a radical change with existing operations already encroaching well within 100 m of properties. Promised reinstatement seemed to be continuously delayed as time extensions for the quarrying were agreed by DCC . Concerns were expressed that Operators were aware how DCC monitoring was more lax than in other parts of the country. The three further sites proposed at Broadmead, Quarr and Gallows Gore cumulatively if agreed would surround the existing residential properties on Haycrafts Lane and Gallows Gore. These now comprised some 25 households who would have significant environmental issues from visual impact encroachment, dust and noise disturbance.

723 Cllrs agreed there was a need for a balance and mutual respect from all parties with encroachment towards property boundaries highways access, dust and noise being potential issues from these existing and future proposals.

The public session closed at 8.10 pm

Declaration of Interest

724 Cllrs Burden and Woolford declared Interests in Item 7 b and were absent for the discussion and decisions on this item .

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

725. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 1 September had been previously circulated. Subject to spelling corrections of Capstan Field and Leesom House Cllr Bugler proposed, seconded by Cllr Vosper 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

726The Clerks previously circulated report on Action Points arising from the last and previous meetings was noted. There was no update from DCC on progress on the schedule of Waiting Restriction proposals agreed for WM village drafted by DCC and agreed by WMPC on the 18 July. Cllr Lovell would pursue thus delay with DCC Highways. **Action** Clerk Cllr Lovell

CORRESPONDENCE

727 The PC noted the consultation on the Swanage Local Plan was in progress and the proposals for 200 new homes of which 52 have already received approval at appeal on the old grammar school site 50 % of these were to be Affordable Housing units.

728 The PC noted that individual comments on the Summary and Conclusions of the DAPTC Working Together Pilot project report had been sent on by the Clerk with the main concern being the lack of specific as opposed to vague and generalised statements of intent. DAPYTC had not yet supplied a copy of the main report as requested. **Action** Clerk

729 The PC agreed in principle the HAGS proposals for a new children's roundabout for the WM playground. The Clerk was to pursue with HAGS Maintenance periods, dispute resolution in the UK, certain cost items of delivery and inspection, and consult with the PCC on these proposals. **Action** Clerk

HIGHWAY MATTERS

730 The PC noted that the two Street lighting units in Harmans Cross at the A351/Haycrafts Lane junction were now working. The PC agreed in principle to seek a quotation from the maintenance body to keep these lights in operation and up to an adoptable standard. **Action** Clerk

731 The PC noted the two large potholes on Haycrafts lane by the entrance to Downshay Farm had been repaired by DCC.

732 DCC had reported the two gulleys on the road down from the Square and Compass towards Weston Farm were now free flowing and clear of obstruction.

733 The PC noted concerns had been expressed to DCC about the introduction of the HX 30 mph limit. The PC would review its success and the need for any additional SID equipment in the next financial year. **Action** Clerk

734 Concerns were expressed about the number of large and important Direction Signs on main roads in Purbeck which were obstructed by overgrowing trees and hedges. **Action** Cllr Lovell

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

735 The PC welcomed the decision of Amber Rudd the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change to refuse the planning application for the Navitus Bay Wind Turbine scheme located immediately off the Worth Matravers coastline. The PC wished to thank the local MP Richard Drax for his work in pursuing the concerns and objections made by the PC and other LA's raising two Adjournment debates in the House of Commons and being part of the subsequent Deputation of MPs from Dorset to the Prime Minister. The PC thanked De Andrew Langley who brought the scheme to the attention of the PC many years ago and who with Challenge Navitus pursued such a carefully presented professional challenge at every stage of the five year long pre and National Infrastructure Public Inquiry process.

736 6/2015/0538 Proposed non material amendment to PP 6/2014/0698 (Demolish existing bungalow and erect new house and garage, and modify existing vehicular access) to amend; roof materials, alterations to porch, insertion of backdoor in north east elevation and replacement of chimney with wood burner flue Kingston Road (Bushey), Worth Matravers, Delegated approval noted

737 PA 6/2015/0510 Application for :- Certificate of Lawfulness (Existing) Use of buildings 1- 8 at Sunny Glade farm. Building 1.Workshop and Store (B1 and B8), Building 2 Storage (B8), Building 3 Storage (B8), Building 4 Agriculture, Building 5 Storage (B8), Building 6 Storage (B8), Building 7 (General Industry) and Building 8 Agriculture - Haycrafts Lane BH19 3EB Concern expressed by the PC as to the scale of development which has not been monitored by PDC Enforcement officers over many years at this Sunny Glade site

738 PA 6/2015/0574 Woodyhyde, Valley road, Harmans Cross Relaxation of condition 7PA 6/2001/0614 restriction to holiday occupancy No Objection. The PC asked if any of these units could be specified as Affordable Housing Units.

739 PA 6/2015/0590 Listed Building Consent Repairs and replacement of existing external gates and doors to outbuildings and new gates to north garden wall.(Dunshay Manor), HX No Objection

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740 TWA 6/2016/0169 Springbrook Close (Winterbourne), Harmans Cross, BH20 5HS Description: (T1) Oak - crown reduce by up to 2m with tip pruning by 10% to facilitate reduction;(T2) Willow - crown reduce by 2m; (T3) Oak - reduce lower laterals by 2m from property & remove dead wood. Object ion. Removal of dead wood does not require consent. The PC is concerned about the scale and environmental impact caused by the tree works which have in recent years been approved by PDC in HX. This applicant has not provided the expert report required justifying these works all of which are not supported by the PC.

741 The Chairman confirmed he would be attending the PDC Planning Training on Material Planning Considerations on the 14 October. **Action** Clerk

FINANCIAL MATTERS

742 The PC noted receipt of the Bank/Cash book reconciliation for 31 August and the outstanding 2014-15 Annual Return from the External Auditor. This confirmed the qualification and the requirement for an Annual Risk Assessment by the PC as previously reported. **Action** Clerk

743 The PC agreed the tender of Burden Building Services for the WM Toilet improvement works. **Action** Clerk

744. Payment of invoices received and checked 2 September to 6 October 2015

R Khanna	Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses
J D Facilities.	WM Toilet Cleansing
ITB Gardening	Grass cutting
Burden Building Services	WM car park works
BDO	External Audit services

745. Confidential Minute

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

746 Proposals for dealing with the growth in local demand in WM for more parking , unobstructed access and increased toilet provision for the Annual Square Fayre at the Square and Compass were discussed. These were noted with the need for further development of proposals with local management . **Action** Chairman, Clerk

747 A complaint of a Rave at Winspit had been received which had been raised with the Police at the time. The response was that this was a matter for PDC who indicated they would need to know in advance to take any action.

748 The PC noted that the number of volunteers available in Worth Village was very limited and responsibility for certain maintenance items at the Withy Bed would need to be re considered. Two trees were showing signs of die back and it was agreed to seek a meeting with the PDC Tree officer and a quotation for cutting back and clearance work on the Withy Bed. **Action** Clerk

749 Concerns were expressed about Holiday Homes in Worth Village putting out at the roadside numbers of different Bins and Boxes on the wrong date. This was considered fly tipping and unacceptable as many disturbance and spreading of contents by animals occurred. DWP were to be aske for a fly tipping Notice for the placing of Bins etc. on the wrong day/time **Action** Clerk

750 The footpath stile at the bottom of the field to Coombe Bottom by the southern boundary of Swanworth quarry was reported as dangerous with a large fall in levels for walkers. DCC were to be pursued to repair this stile. **Action** Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.16pm

Roger Khanna
Parish Clerk