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**WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL  
COVID 19 EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES 6 JULY 2021**

Present, Chairman Cllr J Burden Vice Chairman Cllr I Bugler, Cllrs R Woolford, C Melville, Mrs. C Vosper,  
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Mrs. L Spencer – Duncan, Dorset Councillor Mrs. C Brooks  
1 member of the public was present

Declaration of Interest. None

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2575** A member of the public attended and gave a brief presentation outlining the difficulties they had with Dorset Council Highways in achieving 20 mph highway speed control improvements in Langton Matravers. Cllr Woolford confirmed the wide range of locations he had seen in his recent visit up to the north of England with these 20 mph restrictions even present in villages on Principal Roads. The visitor shared his concerns about the performance as a whole of both Dorset Councillors and the new Dorset Council. He had not seen significant improvements in their responses to various highway control proposals in the Langton area over the last 6 months. The PC noted he would be seeking from the Langton Matravers Parish Council meeting a vote of ‘No Confidence in Dorset Council’ as a result of his perceived inaction on various fronts.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**2576** DC Cllr Brooks had very recently by e mail challenged the published public draft of the Minutes of the June meeting. The PC agreed to make minor modifications to Minute 2550 to replace ‘insist’ with ‘push for’ and to delete the last sentence. They noted Minutes are not required to be a verbatim record of all comments made at meetings. This revised Minute was formally accepted by all Cllrs as proposed by Cllr Vosper and seconded by Cllr Melville. These amendments were accepted as agreed and signed by the Chairman as accurate records of their decisions and a summary of their communications. **Action** Clerk

**CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING**

**2577** The Outstanding Action Points arising from the last 11 May and previous PC Meetings and Briefings had been circulated and were noted with the Clerk giving an update where appropriate. The Clerk would provide Cllr Woolford with two £100 generic car park permits labelled for the WM Shepherds hut users Number 1 and Number 2 sites adjacent to the car park **Action** Clerk

**2578** The Clerk reported that the CCTV cable damage repair from the recent Vodafone Phone Mast works was now completed and the car park was awaiting a permanent reinstatement from their contractors.. He would invoice the original sponsor of the scheme to settle this account direct and for them to seek any reimbursement themselves from their contractor who did the damage to these CCTV cables. Cllrs were still concerned as to who was entitled to use this facility as this was not yet clear whether other companies than Vodafone could place their equipment on this mast **Action** Clerk

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## **DORSET COUNCIL; LOCAL COUNCILLOR REPORT**

**2579** The PC regretted that despite previous advice from the DC Monitoring Officer that this would be helpful, DC Cllr Brooks had subsequently not provided a written report to this meeting or to the last meeting. This lack of a written report leads directly to her verbal reporting at the previous meeting. She had now notified the PC how she was unable to attend this July meeting due to a CV19 contact. She also had concerns about the published Draft Minute of her comments at the previous meeting she attended. . As a result the Minutes were amended as above (**Minute 2576**).

**2577** Recent advice to the Clerk from the Information Commissioners Office was that DC Cllr Brooks recent Subject Access Request was private to those directly approached for her personal data . In this case all Parish Cllrs and the Clerk. The PC was still uncertain about what concerns she was pursuing. In terms of the published Agenda the Meeting agreed to amend the Public Agenda item SAR to be discussed by the PC in Part 2 - Private and Confidential Cllrs only. This item was subsequently held and discussed in private directly by all concerned after the main meeting when Press and Public were formally excluded.

**2578** On the remaining Agenda item, Outstanding Dorset Council issues, the Chairman and Deputy Chairman reported DC Cllr Brooks had sought a private meeting with them without the presence of the Clerk or any other substitute Cllr. It was agreed by the PC that any such meeting should be held with all the Parish Cllrs present. This could be arranged for the next August PC meeting.as another **Part 2 Private and Confidential** item. .

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**2579** The Clerk updated the PC on the policy role reversal at the new Dorset Council regarding their recent proposed support for the Dorset Off-Shore Wind Project refused at the recent Public Inquiry.

**2580** The PC noted the current unsatisfactory situation at 6 Abbascombe WM where complaints about the exterior lighting and 50 external access road pathway uplighters had been received from WM village residents. The Clerk had referred these complaints on to DC Planning Enforcement.

**2581** The Clerk updated the situation on the damage to the - Worth Matravers Car Park SSE CCTV. This multi cable damage had recently been mended by the WMPC contractor and an invoice for this work was on this Agenda for payment. The Clerk would seek reimbursement for all the costs incurred by the PC in staff time, temporary, and permanent work to rectify the original unreported damage. **Action Clerk**

**2582** Cllrs noted the Invitation to Swanworth Quarry Liaison meeting 15 July 1700 with the Clerk, Chairman and Cllr Melville seeking to attend.

**2583** The PC noted correspondence from the occupier of Bladon regarding the collapse failure of the PCC boundary stone wall following recent heavy rain. The PC noted that this section of wall had recently been taken down for the Bladon contractors to gain access to Bladon for their renovation works and had subsequently been totally rebuilt by their contractor. The Parish contractor who has installed an additional separate small boundary stone to facilitate pedestrian access into the playground area had confirmed it had not had any involvement with this collapsed wall section.

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**2584** The Clerk reported back that the proposed Worth village new road markings meeting 5 July had been cancelled due to illness of the DC contractor. A new date was being sought but this would inevitably delay the commissioning of the new road markings and Traffic Order for the Worth village centre.

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**2585** The Clerk reported back that the unauthorised edge stone deposit at the Haycrafts lane / Valley road junction had been recently removed and the grass area cut and presented to a high standard. The PC thanked the person responsible for their very speedy action to resolve the complaint.

**2586** The PC noted the recent work carried out by Dorset Highways in rectifying highway defects in Worth Matravers. Cllrs were very concerned as to the cost / value of these works. They had they observed some seven visits in two large vehicles to fill in less than 25 holes on two separate day visits from the DC Charminster depot.

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

**2587** Tree works application TPO/2021/044 - Oak Hill, Valley Road, Harmans Cross, Swanage T1 Maple - Crown raise to 6m above ground level. T2 Maple - Reduce by 3m **No Objections.**

**2588** PA, 6/2021/0135, Pines, South Instow, Harmans Cross, Swanage, BH19 3DS Replace existing wire fence with 1.5m high timber fence. **No Objections**

**2589** PA 6/2021/0105 Hedgerow, Haycrafts Lane, Harmans Cross, Swanage, BH19 3EB Erect a 2 storey extension with balcony, internal alterations and install side windows. **No Objections**

**2590** PA 6/2021/0161 The Landmark Trust Dunshay Manor, Haycrafts Lane, Harmans Cross, Swanage, BH19 3EB Replacement of existing residential caravan with single storey dwelling . **No Objections**

**2591** The Clerk had raised again a fundamental concern with DC Planning officers namely due to recent DC software upgrades he was unable to print off for PC meetings any form of composite scale single plan / document as listed on their web site link. He was only getting a short partial map section printing out and no scale plans at any time from the PC Windows 7 Professional software.

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**2592** The Cash Book Reconciliation. 30 May 2021 was noted (Previously circulated)

**2593** The following invoices received 2 June - 6 July were agreed and certified for payment.

R Khanna	£ 722.66	Clerk's salary, PAYE, and expenses
WMPC Office	£ 66.59	BT Internet and phone,
PCC	£ 60.00	Field rental 2021-25
J D Facilities.	£ 628.55	January WM Toilet Cleansing
ITB Gardening	£ 1337.00	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance
Secure alarms	£ 843.66	WMCP cable and system repairs
NCI	£ 175.00	Contribution to emergency telephone
BBS	£ 4644.00	Toilet Repairs and Maintenance WMCP

**2594 Confidential.** The collection of WM & HX Car Park Donations for July 2021 would be by Cllr Bugler and Cllr Woolford

## DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**2595** Cllr Woolford confirmed details of the Welcome to Sandford signs he was pursuing for HX. These were procured by DC Highways with a sign in a plastic material mounted on a permanent sign block  
Meeting closed 2105hrs The next PC meeting is scheduled for the 3 August to be held as an Open Meeting with a Public Discussion period and general permitted attendance at HXVH.

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