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## **Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Worth Matravers Village Hall on Tuesday 7 August at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT** Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs. J Meates, Mrs. C Vosper, R Sandham, R Field, I Bugler, M Hobson, District/ County Cllr M. Lovell

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**622.** There were no apologies for absence, all Cllrs being present.

### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

There were five members of the public present.

A local WM volunteer from the coastguard service attended to request a contribution to the cost of the housing for a Defibrillator Unit outside the station at St Aldhem's Head. This would make the equipment available at all times in case of an emergency. The PC agreed to fund in full the £600 cost of provision and erection of the secure exterior housing for this equipment. **Action** Clerk

The public session concluded at 0755

### **Declaration of Interest**

**623.** Cllr Vosper declared a non pecuniary interest in item 7a and was absented from the discussion on that item.

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**624.** The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 3 July had been circulated prior to the meeting. Subject to the correction amending item **613** by replacing Cllr Burden with Cllr Sandham, Cllr Meates proposed, seconded by Cllr Sandham acceptance of these Minutes and these were passed by all Councillors present as a true record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman. **Action** Clerk

### **CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING**

**625.** The Footpath Officer for Langton Matravers PC aided by the Footpath Officer from Worth Matravers PC made a presentation on the proposed upgrade of the Priest Way. An improvement scheme relating to the seven separate sections of the bridleway between Swanage and Worth had been under discussion with DCC officers. Five sections were in LM with one in WM and Swanage respectively. As DCC had no finance available for these works it had been agreed that funding should be sought from the external rural development programme source F4C by all the councils as a group. The criteria for a bid were explained and the PC agreed that it supported in principle works of maintenance and repair of this important bridleway. A small working group from all organisations affected had been set up and it was agreed Cllr Hobson would act for WMPC and would report back to the PC from meetings of this group. **Action** Cllr Hobson

**626.** An update on the procurement of the HX property location signs was given by the Clerk,

**627.** Cllr Bugler updated the PC on the progress on the Begbie Orchard with some 47 of the 50 plots now taken. Bare rooted stock providers had been identified and the individual trees would be purchased. The planting will take place in November with a recharge of cost to each plot holder. **Action** Cllr Bugler, Clerk

**628.** The Clerk update the Action Point report from the July PC meeting sent out to all Cllrs on the 30 July. He confirmed the second extension gate to the WM car park had been completed but unfortunately could not be opened when recently required as cars had parked across it. In response to Cllr Hobson the PC agreed that whilst overnight camping could be an issue in August especially on the extension area a height barrier would result in larger problems for the village from these vehicles being displaced onto local roads in Worth.

**629.** Cllrs provided the Clerk with the required Declarations of Interest forms as agreed at the adoption of the Code of Conduct at the July 2012 meeting.

**630.** The Clerk had circulated the final draft of the proposed WM web site and any amendments were requested as the site would go live by 14 August. Web site information was sourced from the published Parish Plan of 2008. **Action** Cllrs, Clerk

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**631.** The Clerk drew to the attention of the PC the 290 page Dorset Minerals Core Strategy Pre Submission document of July 2012. Chapter 7 relates to the extraction of Purbeck Stone which is located in Worth Matravers PC, Langton Matravers PC, and Swanage.

The Clerk gave a verbal report on the significant changes in this draft from the information, strategies and policies in the previous Minerals Strategy document which was circulated for consultation by DCC in 2011. A major change was from consideration of small scale site specific proposals to the declaration of an 'Area of Search' concept covering most of the mineral location area and within which a presumption in favour of extraction would apply. Cllr Vosper indicated there would be concern held by residents of Gallows Gore on possible affects on residential amenity of any large scale extraction on the north facing slopes across the Worth Matravers area.

It was agreed to object in principle to the lack of consultation on the changes to this document from 2011 to 2012. The PC was concerned that the AONB in Purbeck where Purbeck Stone was located was now to be formally categorised by DCC into sections of greater and lesser importance in terms of visual intrusiveness of workings and spoil heaps. It was agreed the Clerk would prepare a report detailing a proposed response from WMPC to DCC for the WMPC Planning sub-committee of Cllrs Burden, Meates, and Field to consider. **Action** Clerk

**632.** The PC received feedback from Cllr Meates on the meetings she had attended namely the Planning course held by DAPTC, the Area Committee meeting of DAPTC and the Swanworth Quarry Liaison meeting. Navitus the scheme developers for the wind farm off the Swanage coastline gave a presentation to DAPTC on their proposals and stated their disagreement with the visual impact drawings previously presented to WMPC by Dr Langley of Challenge Navitus. Cllr Meates reported that Swanworth Quarry was to close in 2017 and reinstatement would occur in 2018. The Clerk reported back from the HXVHMC meeting and confirmed that he held the formal minutes of these meetings.

**633.** The PC noted the forthcoming meetings and apologies would be sent for those at which an attendee of the PC would not be present, **Action** Clerk

**634.** The Clerk reported that HXVHMC would be considering the annual HX playgrounds safety report commissioned from an independent inspector at their next meeting. Cllr Burden would review the minor recommendations for the West Burton Fields playground area. **Action** Cllr Burden, Clerk

**635.** The PC considered the ongoing issues caused by the removal by DCC Waste Partnership of the litter bin at HX. The Clerk reported on his correspondence with the DCC WP officers and was awaiting a reply regarding the cost of a replacement small litter bin. **Action** Clerk.

**636.** The problem of vehicle parking and obstruction at Hill Bottom were noted and were to be referred on to Corfe Castle PC as the parish boundary fell within this area. **Action** Clerk

**637.** Concern was expressed by a WM resident about the safety of the Worth ducks due to excessive vehicle speeds and a request for a 15 mph limit was made. The Clerk reported that the Police and DCC would object to such a regulation but discussions would be held to see if an advisory sign and simple road markings could be erected **Action** Clerk

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**638.** The PC noted the ongoing overhanging vegetation issues on the Valley road. Cllr Burden referred to the CPO of a section of land for highway purposes on which vegetation was now spreading and that this was land was the responsibility of DCC not the frontager. Cllr Lovell agreed to pursue these issues **Action** Clerk Cllr Lovell

**639.** The arrangements for the repair of the finger post signs was still outstanding. **Action** Clerk

**640.** The current WMPC draft proposals for the existing 8am to 6 pm restrictions are that they should be extended to cover the whole year and apply on both sides of the road to Weston Farm.

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The parking places by the Worth Green should be extended to 1 hr limited waiting with no return for an hour. These proposals were printed in the August Dubber. No responses had been received. A street notice would now be erected for public consultation giving details of this proposal in the roads affected.

**Action** Clerk

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

**641.** PA 6/2012/0406 2 Gallows Gore HX Replacement of doors and windows to listed building. No Objection.

**642.** TWA 2012 0071 PDC Decision to agree works requested without modification. Noted

**643.** The PC was concerned that no response from PDC Enforcement on the status of the former Abbascome Poultry Farm off the Langton – Worth road had been received. Cllr Lovell agreed to pursue an answer. **Action** Clerk Cllr Lovell

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**644.** Payment of donations and invoices received and checked 3 July – 7 August 2012

R Khanna

I Bugler

D Smith

DAPTC

BDO

Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses

Grass cutting

Grass cutting and minor works

Planning Course

Annual Audit fee

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**647.** The comments on the 2011-12 Annual Audit return from BDO the External Auditor were noted

**Action** Clerk

## PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**648.** Cllr Lovell updated the PC on the SITA Cleaning Contract for WM Toilets which was to expire in Oct 2013

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm