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Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Tuesday 6 November 2012 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs, R Sandham, R Field, I Bugler, M. Hobson and District/County Cllr Lovell.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

709. There were apologies for absence, from Cllr Mrs. Vosper & Cllr Mrs. Meates

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were four members of the public present.

710. Concerns were raised about a number of traffic and parking issues in the WM village centre. These included the overnight parking of camper vans on the car park in the summer contrary to all the notices on site. Cllrs had grappled with this issue for a long time but with experience of expensive damage to the previous height restrictions this was not a practical solution. Assistance had been sought from DCC and PDC to an area wide restriction on unauthorised camping but no positive response had been received from either authority. Cllrs were equally concerned about forcing further demand from these large vehicles onto the narrow streets in the centre of the village where such parking was unrestricted. This problem had been regularly discussed at the PC but to date no simple practical solution had been put forward which would improve the current situation. The PC was asked to pursue with the PCC issues regarding reinstatement and repair of stone walls of the Church in the conservation area especially with potential damage from vegetation to the wall boundary to the highway. Further traffic speeding issues were raised including the need for double yellow lines through the village. Ongoing issues on overgrowing vegetation onto the verges on Valley road in HX near the garage were raised and Cllr Lovell undertook to take these up with DCC Highways. A number of Highways issues were raised to be discussed at that meeting including drainage issues at the railway bridge abutments on Haycrafts lane. The public session concluded at 0806.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

711. The Clerk circulated advice and Cllrs amended their returns as requested by PDC to include the address of their property as Land in which they had an interest. **Action** Clerk

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

712. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 2 October had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Sandham 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

713. The Clerk updated the PC that the final artwork for the HX property location sign had been received and approved for construction. **Action** Clerk

714. The Clerk confirmed that the potential issue with regard to the siting of the proposed orchard trees on Begbie field had been resolved and he and Cllr Bugler had marked out all the new plot locations with a peg and pole for each location. Cllr Bugler would progress the ordering of the trees and liaise with the Clerk on the future planting date. **Action** Cllr Bugler

715. The Chairman confirmed that recent limited HX verge cut back had been carried out by DCC Highways.

716. The Clerk reported back on a recent letter from the Leader of Poole Council to the Bournemouth Echo regarding the proposed Navitus Bay Wind Farm. Cllr Elaine Atkinson stated that all the MPs and coastal Councils who were statutory consultees under the planning regulations had agreed to form a single consortium to deal collectively with the developers on the proposal.

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She stated that this could then deal with questions and issues which are currently unanswered on issues such as size data on visual impact height density etc. The Clerk confirmed the current wide difference in perception between the photomontage data provided on visual impact from ENECO/EDF the Navitus Bay developers and those illustrated on the Challenge Navitus web site which the developers had recently agreed were geometrically accurate. It was agreed the WM PC should write to the Poole BC leader to seek inclusion in this consortium **Action** Clerk

717. Cllrs noted the previously circulated Action Sheet of 30 October.

CORRESPONDENCE

718. The PC considered and agreed the proposals for a new storage facility at Harmans Cross Village Hall. The PC would make the necessary planning application to PDC as Custodian Trustee for the hall and would fund the costs of the application. **Action** Clerk

719. The Clerk updated the PC in respect of item Minute 706 in respect of site meetings at the HX Poultry Farm site. Cllr Bugler confirmed he had met a building firm on site and a neighbour rather than as previously reported the owners. It was agreed the PC would contact the owner in future in respect of arranging any future site visit.

720. The Clerk reported back on meetings attended at DAPTC and HXVHMC having previously circulated the Minutes of the HXVHMC 16 October.

721. The PC agreed to make a donation to WMVH of £50 towards the Xmas Carols on the Green at WM

722. The PC considered and agreed a request for a boot scraper for the entrance to the toilets at WM where complaints had been received of walkers washing off mud from their boots in the sinks. Cllr Bugler and the Clerk would liaise to arrange a suitable facility. **Action** Cllr Bugler & Clerk

HIGHWAY MATTERS

723. The PC noted that a meeting had been held by the Clerk with DCC Traffic Unit on the 5 November and a representative of local residents had attended. DCC had agreed to look at further carriageway SLOW markings on the immediate entrance to the village centre and would liaise with the Clerk on the design of a suitable advisory sign for the entrance to the village to request careful and considerate driving speeds. The issue of SATNAV directions causing drivers to detour around the south side of the Green was raised and would be brought to the attention of DCC in respect of an additional SLOW marking being provided on that side **Action** Clerk

724. The WR currently operational in the summer months were discussed and it was agreed the PC would formally request these be extended to cover the whole year. The PC considered that request should be extended to double yellow lines to reinforce the restriction and also to remove the need for any poles and restriction plates in future which would be unwanted street clutter in the conservation area. **Action** Clerk

725. The PC noted the recent work to clear out the GRIPS opposite the Eastington Farm entrance on the Langton to Worth road. Unfortunately these had not been fully successful in clearing the standing water and the Clerk advised he had brought the continuing problem to the attention of DCC Highways with photographs of the flooded grips and carriageway being a potential skidding hazard as temperatures drop. Cllrs reported that further accidents had more recently occurred at this location.

726. A range of highway issues were outstanding and Cllr Lovell agreed he would set up a meeting with DCC highways at which these could be pursued including all those raised in the public question time. **Action** Clerk.

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

727. TWA 2012/0146 Tanglewood HX Further Tree pruning – No objections

728. PA 6/2012/0629 Replacement Purbeck Limestone Quarry Home Field Acton retention of existing storage shed area and extension of stone processing building. The PC recognised the historic and important role of quarrying in terms of employment and commercial opportunities and noted that this application referred to a future 10 phase operation for the next 40 years.

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The PC was concerned about the perceived lack of sensitivity of the landscape value of the AONB due to cumulative impact from previous and current extraction operations. Cllrs described some areas were resembling a bomb site and needed tidying up .The AONB is presumed to have the highest level of protection from visual impact of development. The ongoing 40 year programme did not appear to have any plan or programme for continuing improvement within the AONB with the reinstatement proposals being unsatisfactory in terms of levels and landscape features post quarrying. DCC was asked to give further attention to the use of suitable inert material to restore ground levels and features to their original condition and levels. WMPC has concerns about any decision creating precedent for future visual intrusion and adverse visual impact across the open grasslands of the WM parish all of which are proposed to be included in the future Area of Search designated in the draft DCC Minerals Core Strategy **729**. PA 6/2012 /0548 .Creation of 5 hard standings and access route for caravans, Haycrafts Lane HX No Objections

FINANCIAL MATTERS

730. Payment of donations and invoices received and checked 3 October -6 November 2012

R Khanna	Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses
I Bugler	Grass cutting
DWG Smith	Grass cutting
HXVH	Planning application fees
HXVH/WMVH	Xmas tree donation
WMVY	Carols on the Green donation
N Adams	Playground inspection fees

731. Confidential Minute

732. The PC noted the current 2012-13 Budget position to 6 November 2012 and the 6 monthly PC income and expenditure formal reconciliation to the 30 September 2012

PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

733. The Chairman asked that the issue of non replacement of telegraph poles be raised with PDC. These had permitted development rights but the recent non replacement of a damaged pole seemingly without consequence had preempted this enquiry. **Action** Clerk

734. Cllrs requested that the problem of non replacement of recycling lids in Worth resulted in damage and inconvenience and this would be brought to the attention of the DWP. The new recycling contract was noted as this had different recycling through wheelie bin but this was a continuing issue together with paper blowing off the vehicle **Action** Clerk

735 The welcome addition of the shop and tea room in the village centre has resulted in a few parking problems, especially in the evenings. Informal approaches would be made to try to alleviate this. **Action** Cllrs.

736. The carriageway edge deterioration on the Weston road with slippage into the adjacent field was brought up to raise with DCC Highways **Action** Clerk

737. The collapse of sections of boundary wall with the West Burton Field was raised and agreed that these walls were not the responsibility of the PC. Owners of the property at West Burton Field were with the PCC the responsible parties for the repair. **Action** Clerk

738. Cllr Sandham enquired as to whether the PC was aware of any proposals for future housing development by Raglan Housing Association in Worth Matravers. He advised the PC that this organisation had booked WM village hall for a public meeting on the 11 December. A similar booking had been made by WCPT in March 2013. The Chairman and Clerk confirmed that no approach had been made by RHA or WCPT to the PC on any proposal for future housing in the village. Cllr Lovell confirmed he was Housing Spokesperson for the Planning Authority PDC and he was unaware of any proposals for WM. The PC was surprised as any development would have to be for affordable housing. Any proposed development in WM would require consent as a rural exception site where consultation and preferably agreement with the PC and PDC to both the requirement and location should have been a pre requisite before any public meetings were arranged by RHA. The meeting closed at 9.20pm