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## **Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting held in Harmans Cross Village Hall on Tuesday 4 November at 7.30pm**

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

### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

There were 9 members of the public present.

**410.** A number of WM residents presented their views on the need for additional parking, traffic and speed management in the village centre. Concerns were raised of highway maintenance, vehicle speeds and car park signage. The impact of the peak August traffic levels coming through the village to the campsite at Weston farm and the DCC car park at Renscombe was raised. A set of proposals from this group of residents for changes in junction priority, traffic management, signing, speed and parking control were circulated to the PC for consideration.

**411** A response from Weston Farm was given. The traffic impact from the camp site use was minimised as it did not take caravans or camper vans and was not open for most of the year. For many people the farmlands camping availability was sustainable and an asset for the viability of the village centre. It enabled visitor use for 28 days in August to park up stay overnight, and walk from the site throughout the area. Many visitors used the local pub and restaurant facilities.

**412.** The Clerk confirmed that the PC had previously considered parking issues in the village centre. The PC had carried out a detailed non statutory consultation with all interested parties over a considerable period. Discussion and decisions on future proposals now with DCC had subsequently been taken by the PC and recorded in the Minutes.

**413** County Cllr Lovell stated he had been sent the detailed concerns and suggestions made by this group of residents. He was aware that the PC had previously made a number of requests for action on a range of parking, signing, and traffic management proposals to DCC (Highways) and that these were still outstanding action. He was arranging a meeting for the PC as represented by the Chairman and Clerk with senior officers Mr. Martin and Mr. Brown from DCC Highways to resolve outstanding issues of concern to the PC and local community. **Action** Chairman, Clerk, Cllr Lovell

The public session concluded at 8.05pm

### **Declaration of Interest**

**414** Cllr Woolford declared an interest on PA 6/2014/0516 Culverwell Cottage and Cllr Sandham on PA 6/2014/0550 St James Cottage. Both were absent for discussions on the respective items.

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

**415.** The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 7 October had been previously circulated. Cllr Field 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**

**416.** The Clerk reported back on meetings attended with the PDC Chief Executive, DAPTC, and at the HXVHMC. Briefing had been provided by PDC on, their input to the Navitus Bay Public Inquiry and the financial implications of Second Home liability for either Council or Business rates. The current partial review of the Purbeck District Plan to include Heathland and Housing allocations / Settlement Boundaries and the process of electoral registration were discussed. Other items raised with PDC for this meeting by the PC would be reported back when the supplementary written response was received.

**417** The Clerk outlined the concerns raised at DAPTC on multiple cycling events sometimes on the same day and on a draft supplied of a 12 point guide for promoters of any event. It was agreed that any start which finished by 0900 was a step forward.

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The Clerk circulated proposals for a UK Cycling Events - Wiggle Purbeck Hill a Saurus road race on the 15 November throughout East Purbeck using roads bridleways and NT paths from Herston to Creech and back via Corfe Castle and Studland. Concern was expressed that race cyclists and others were using paths which are usually walker only routes.

Studland PC invited WMPC to attend their regular cross Isle of Purbeck Parish Councils meetings with the NT as there were many shared concerns. This was agreed. **Action** Clerk

**418** The C Exec of PATPC gave her report which included feedback on her day's attendance on a Peer Group Review of DCC Highway Maintenance service. The Clerk had asked her for details of the Reviewers and the Agenda and papers supplied for that meeting as highway maintenance issues were of continuing concern to the PC. She also updated on the current Dorset Clinical Services review Oct 2014 - 15 to create a blueprint for the future services proposed. Consultation on these would take place in mid-2015

**419** The Clerks previously circulated report on other Action points arising from the last and previous meetings was noted.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**420.** The PC adopted changes to NALC standing order 3I to allow filming and recording of meetings subject to suitable protection for vulnerable persons attending the meeting being provided.

**421.** The PC noted that attendance by an elected Cllr at the DAPTC Annual meeting on 8 November was required to discuss or promote any Motions or amendments to the previously circulated Motions put forward to that AGM. The Clerk had supplied comments and suggestions made by the PC on the AGM Motions to another Parish Council member who was attending.

**422.** The PC agreed to seek nominations from any interested party in the parish for the PC to put forward as the Volunteer of the Year. It was agreed Cllrs would bring details of any suggested person to the next meeting. **Action** Cllrs.

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**423** A short discussion on items raised in the PQT took place The PC agreed the priorities included short term visitor parking bays, improving signage especially to the WM car park, and reducing obstruction with more effective parking enforcement throughout the year. Action was awaited from DCC on the range of other highway maintenance and improvement items outstanding from the meetings on site with DCC officers on the 16 July 2014 and in 2012. Any option to purchase or make available land for August overspill parking should be investigated. **Action** Clerk

**424** Cllr Woolford confirmed officers of DCC Highways were still considering the proposals previously discussed and agreed by the PC and DCC for the Valley road through HX. Cllr Lovell indicated that DCC officers considered the proposed footpath extension by the HX Poultry Farm development was very costly. Cllr Woolford agreed he would go on site and see how this facility could be provided without such expensive highway retaining work. His site visits with DCC officers had shown them how this footpath and adequate exit visibility should have been a DCC Highways condition for the Poultry Farm development.

**425** The PC considered the replacement of the fingerpost sign at the junction with the Kingston to Langton Rd. The PC considered that in the light of the loss of the previous new replacement sign paid for by the PC, manufactured by the Chairman and erected by DCC earlier this year it would not be economic or advisable to pay £1000 for a new one. It was agreed to seek a traffic direction road sign at this location from DCC and this may help driver visitors by signing vehicles to Worth directly past the WM car park entrance. **Action** Clerk

**426** Concern was expressed at the size of DWP vehicles causing damage to Pikes lane. **Action** Clerk

## **PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS**

**427.** PA 6/2014/0516 Erect single storey rear extension Culverwell Cottage Haycrafts Lane HX No Comment

428 PA6/2014/0524 Listed building Consent dismantle and re build chimney Winspit Cottage WM No Comment

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429 PA6/2014/0573 Listed Building consent Rebuild chimney etc Honeysuckle cottage WM No comment  
430 PA6/2014/0550. Use of land as garden in association with St James Cottage. Comment. Concern expressed as to possible precedent created by this application in regards to planning policy for boundary of settlement in Worth Village. Cllrs noted other sites in the village where existing agricultural land use outside the boundary was similarly being closely associated with residential gardens.

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**431.** The PC noted receipt of the Parish Council Accounts Reconciliation to 30 September 2014,

**432.** Payment of invoices received and checked 8 October to 4 November.

R Khanna

Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses

J D Facilities.

WM Toilet Cleansing

ITB Gardening

Grass cutting

PCC

W Burton rent 2014 &15

HXVH

Rental 2015

**433.** Confidential Minute

## PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**434.** The Chairman and Clerk updated the PC on investigations into improved small child play facilities at W Burton field. A range of quotations had been received for the small roundabout facility agreed as suitable by the PC. Once these quotations had all been assembled with full costs of installation they would be brought back for decision by the PC. The Clerk was asked to investigate any possible sources of grant funding for improved facility at this site. **Action** Clerk

**435.** The Chairman noted the top gulleys at the WM Village Narrows were never cleared properly as they were still heavily silted up with many months of detritus. As a result they overflowed down the road whenever it rained. **Action** Clerk

**436.** Cllr Field raised concerns at the size of the carriageway cracks on the road down to Weston Farm indicated subsidence and carriageway slippage down towards the lower level of the adjacent field.

**Action** Clerk

**437** The Chairman informed the meeting of the recent accident with a WM resident's car rolling over from crossing the narrow verge into the ditch by the WW2 Lookout post. There was a need for warning bollards of the drop although it was noted how the existing ones a little further were no longer maintained by DCC at the vertical. **Action** Clerk

**438.** Cllr Woolford had noted the footpath signs on Haycrafts lane to Wilkswood had been removed but may now be being re assembled .

The meeting closed at 9.23pm

Roger Khanna Parish Clerk WMPC