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**Minutes of the Worth Matravers Parish Council Meeting  
held in Worth Matravers Village Hall on Tuesday 3 September at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT** Cllr Burden (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs. Meates, Mrs. Vosper, I Bugler, R Field, R Woolford

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**025.** There were apologies for absence from Cllr Sandham.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

There was one member of the public present.

**026.** Sandra Brown the WMPC ROWLO updated the PC with the positive outcome of a grant for approximately £140K for improvements to the Priest Way. She would clarify the extent of the proposed works in WM. She would also follow up complaints of Bridleways being locked at gates preventing legitimate passage by horse riders and cyclists and of the new kissing gate at Abbascombe off the Langton to Worth road having come loose at the inner post and difficult to pass through.

**027** County Councillor Mike Lovell confirmed that Mathew Piles Group Manager Traffic at Dorset CC Highways would be attending the next WMPC meeting at HXVH on the 1 October. ML had also asked for attendance by Martin Underhill the Dorset Police Commissioner.  
The public session ended at 7.40 pm

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**028.** There were no Declarations of Interest

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**029.** The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 6 August had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Meates proposed, seconded by Cllr Field acceptance of these amended 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**

**030.** Cllrs noted the progress shown on the previously circulated Action Sheet of the PC meeting on the 6 August. The Clerk would follow up to obtain 2 No WM 1 Mile letters from DCC for a replacement for the damaged finger post sign to Worth from the Kingston to Langton road.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**031** The PC noted that there were five properties in Hill Bottom within the Corfe Castle PC boundary. The Clerk had written to each and one response in favour of the change in boundary had been received. Corfe Castle PC had been contacted and they would respond after their next meeting in September. The map showing the proposed new boundary to the rear of those properties was agreed.

**032** The PC noted that correspondence had been received from a resident of WM complaining about the present refuse and recycling arrangements. These resulted in smelly abandoned bins and boxes littering the village with the size of receptacles being too large to carry through small properties. He was concerned the new DWP proposals would make the matter worse around the many second homes in the village. The Clerk confirmed that he had sent in full this representation to DWP and was awaiting a response which would be forwarded on to the resident.

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**033** The PC noted that no comments had been made on The Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership draft Management Plan for the years 2014-2019. (Consultation response by the 6th October

**034** Cllrs confirmed receipt from the Clerk of the new edition of the Good Councillor Guide.

**035** The PC noted the formal consultation process had started for the Navitus Bay Wind Park application. The Clerk confirmed he had received the full documentation from Navitus the applicant. The application was unchanged from previous information in terms of the number of turbines. Minor changes in the distance from the shoreline had been made. The consultation runs until the 11 October with a public session at St Edwards Church Hall Swanage on the 17 September. The PC remains concerned about the validity of the visual representations given by the applicant and that they have not provided representations of before and after views from important locations in the parish such as Winspit, St Aldhelm's Head, Swyre Head or even from parts of Swanage which are well frequented by visitors. The Clerk confirmed he had requested from Navitus an explanation of the wide divergence in visual representations and visual impact from their representations and that shown on the Challenge Navitus site which he had understood from the applicants was geometrically accurate. Cllr Lovell stated that the constituent councils in Dorset as statutory consultees were working together for a joint response.

**036** The PC agreed to make Mr. J .Bugler their nomination for the Volunteer of the Year to recognise the 45 years of voluntary contribution to the Coastguard Service in the area. **Action** Chairman\_Clerk

**037** The PC noted the correspondence with Chris Suttle and decided to formally minute appreciation to him for his gift of the boundary stones in Haycrafts Lane opposite Sunny Glade entrance. **Action** Clerk

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**038.** The PC noted the proposed attendance by a Senior Officer from Dorset CC Highways at the next meeting to discuss the highway and traffic issues in HX raised by residents. It would be helpful if a list of issues was prepared and forwarded to DCC before that meeting so that a comprehensive response could be obtained from DCC at the October meeting. **Action** Cllr Woolford, Clerk

**039** A response had been received from Dorset Highways that they would produce an estimate for the outstanding white line work on the Langton to Worth Road. The Clerk confirmed contact had been made with a private contractor who had agreed to give an estimate for the same work. County Cllr Lovell stated that this work was already contracted out by DCC and that a comparison would be interesting.

**040.** The PC noted the lack of response from Dorset CC to enquiries seeking justification for the isolating off of Swanage with the removal of the 40 evening service from Poole to Swanage the removal of the 44 Saturday service from Worth to Swanage and the removal of the summer X43 service from Swanage through HX and Corfe Castle. The PC noted that the 40 service was heavily used throughout the day and considered that the operator should be required by DCC to provide an evening service rather than selectively taking just the highly profitable best bus usage periods. The PC agreed a letter of representation from the Chairman to the Leader of Dorset CC objecting to the proposed bus cuts and drawing his attention to the large Council Tax levied on properties in the parish. In practice due to the age groups of residents and property ownership make up the bus services cuts should be reconsidered on the basis that highway maintenance had been cut and few child or, adult services were provided by Dorset CC for the benefit of Worth Matravers. **Action** Chairman ,Clerk

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

**041** Reference from Corfe Castle PC PA 6/2013/0456 Application for :- County Matter Permission Other Development Infrastrata plc Temporary planning permission for the construction of a wellsite, etc California Quarry, Swanage, The heavy traffic issues raised were noted with the stone supply proposed to be from Swanworth Quarry. No objections

**042** PA 6/2013/0475 Construct new 3 bedroom house HX Briar Rose. S Instow. The PC objected to this application as contrary to the policy for the area of retaining the character of large houses in large gardens. The PC supported the findings of the previous Inspector who refused a similar proposal at Appeal in 2011 **Action** Clerk

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**043.** Payment of donations and invoices received and checked 7 August to 3 September 2013

R Khanna	Clerk's PAYE, Salary and expenses
I Bugler	Grass cutting
N. Adams	Playground Inspection
N Read	Wall repairs
DAPTC	Publications

**044** The PC noted the end July WMPC Accounts reconciliation and the current Budget and WM car park income position .

**045.** Confidential Minute

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## PERIOD OF DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**046 The** Chairman had noted the loss of the level pipe at the WM pond. He would replace it and liaise locally regarding the project to clean out the pond in the Autumn. **Action** Chairman

**047** The overgrown Valley Road verges in HX now needed major DCC Highways works to clear the passage on the footway. The longstanding problems outside Woodlands and Silver Mist on the Valley Road in HX needed both enforcement and urgent remedial action as it was not possible to safely use these footway areas due to overhanging vegetation and brambles. **Action** Clerk

**048** The CCTV at WM was raised and it was agreed to purchase a new monitor. **Action** Chairman, Clerk

**049** The scale of littering from visitors in the recent good weather on the coastal path and down from WM on to Winspit Caves was raised. It was agreed to liaise with the NT and DCC regarding a clean-up.

**050** The problems of obstruction of bridleways to horse riders through padlocking of gates was raised. It was agreed the ROWLO would follow these up **Action** ROWLO\_Clerk

**051** The PC discussed the issue of camper vans on WM car park whose owners refuse to pay to use a camp site. The PC would keep under review this problem and possible use of width or temporary height restrictions on the extension car park. **Action** Clerk

**052** The Clerk confirmed that a reported site visit to WM on the 21st August was Raglan Housing obtaining some design advice from the South West Design Review Panel regarding a site at Abbascombe they are considering submitting a planning application for affordable housing. The Panel is made up of independent professionals from the fields of architecture, landscape architecture, planning, and urban designers, the aim being to advise the applicant (Raglan) upon layout and design issues. PDC officers had attended from the Planning and Housing teams in order to answer any questions the Panel may have had as the land is outside the settlement boundary and within the Heritage Coast, and AONB. If a planning application is submitted, officers will take a view on it, the Parish will be consulted, and the application placed before the Planning Board for determination.

The meeting closed at 9.04pm