WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

COVID 19 EXTRAORDINAIRY CIRCUMSTANCES BRIEFING AND FEEDBACK FROM THE CLERK ON COUNCIL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 8 TO TUESDAY 12 JANUARY 2021

FOR INFORMATION TO Cllrs J Burden Chairman, Vice Chairman Cllr I Bugler, Cllrs R Woolford, C Melville, Mrs. C Vosper, Mrs. L Spencer – Duncan ADMINISTRATION

2410 Following the increased spread and virulence of a new Covid 19 strain and changes to governmental advice effective from January 2021 the Clerk had after liaison with the Chairman and Vice Chairman postponed the Special Meeting originally proposed for 12 January. No members of the public had raised items for discussion by the PC with the Clerk.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

2411 The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 8 December had been previously circulated. These had been agreed by all Councillors as a true and accurate record. Formal Acceptance of these Minutes and signature of the Chairman was deferred to the next PC meeting

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

2412 The Outstanding Action Points arising from the last and previous meetings had been circulated to be noted.

CORRESPONDENCE

2413 The Clerk advised that the DoT intentions was to resume in January the Public Inquiry into the proposed fare increases application - The Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road & Ferry Co by virtual means, using Microsoft Teams software. Written representations to the Inquiry on behalf of the Parish Council had been made by the Clerk.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

2214 The Clerk confirmed the Unregistered van and caravan sporadically in Old Lookout laybye Worth Matravers had now moved away from the Parish after being served with a Penalty Notice by the Police . In the absence of any positive action over nearly 12 months by Dorset Council, the responsible legal Highway Authority, the PC was grateful for this police assistance following the Clerk's direct request to them.

2215 The PC continued to be concerned by the now often dangerous winter state of the road down WM Banks Hill from the Square and Compass. Reports had been received of local people falling over in the wintry conditions. It was reported a number of additional complaints had been raised by WM residents direct to the DC Highways web site. Excess water was flowing over roadside gulleys down the road and this during recent freezing conditions was a danger on the 60 mph road. Rejecting a suggestion from DC Cllr Brooks for a Zoom meeting as pointless the Chairman and Clerk would seek an urgent meeting on site with the DC Highways officers. Action Clerk

2216 The proposed agenda item on Dorset Council performance issues was deferred to a future meeting.

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

2217 None referred for comment

FINANCIAL MATTERS

2218 The 2020 Cash Book Reconciliation for the 31 November and 31 December 2020 and the Budget and Expenditure to 31 December 2020 have been circulated.

2219 The following invoices received 1 December- 12 January 2021 had been certified for payment by the Chairman

R Khanna	£	772.98	November Clerk's salary, PAYE, and expenses
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WMPC Office	£	66.50	BT Internet and phone,
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SSE	£	2170.15	HX Street lights replacement
HXVH	£	75.00	Xmas tree donation
WMVH	£	75 .00	Xmas tree donation
J D Facilities.	£	628.55	November WM Toilet Cleansing
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ITB Gardening	£	362.00	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance

Confidential The collection of WM & HX Car Park Donations for December 2020 and January 2021 would be by the Clerk and Cllr Woolford. Donations will continue to be banked at St Michaels Garage Post Office.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

2221 None as the proposed 12 January PC meeting was not held due to local CV 19 incidents.

PUBLIC ACCESS AND COMMUNICATION

2222 All meetings as held are open to the public to attend and observe but not to take part In the proceedings .Members of the public wishing to raise items with the Parish Council must contact the Clerk in writing two days in advance of a meeting. Any member of the public seeking access to the hall to attend the meeting must follow as directed all the WMPC and HXVH Risk Assessment requirements including social distancing and use of face masks. The toilets within the hall are not publicly available.

2223 The next PC meeting originally scheduled for the 2 February 2021 will be held at HXVH when government requirements and the local Purbeck Covid 19 issues are clearer and a safe risk assessed PC meeting can take place.

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