

10/05/2020

**WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL
COVID 19 EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES
THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD REMOTELY BY E MAIL CONSULTATION
AND RESPONSES RECEIVED FOR TUESDAY 5 MAY.**

IN CONTACT AND PRESENT Cllrs J Burden Chairman), Cllr I Bugler Vice Chairman, Cllrs R Woolford, C Melville, Mrs. K Riggs, Mrs. C Vosper, Mrs. L Spencer-Duncan
APOLOGIES There were none

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

2151 Public Discussion is suspended during this emergency period. No representations from the public had been made in writing to the Clerk.

Declarations of Interest; Cllr Melville Agenda item 6 (f)

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

2152. The Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 7 April had been previously circulated and agreed by all Councillors as a true and accurate record. The Minutes were proposed by Cllr Vosper and seconded by Cllr Woolford then signed by the Chairman.

CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

2153 The Action Points as circulated arising from the last and previous meetings were noted.

DORSET COUCIL –ELECTED COUNCILLOR REPORT.

2154 DC Cllr Brooks reported to the PC that Dorset Council during the Covid 19 crisis is holding, virtual meetings with all Dorset MPs (including Richard Drax) weekly, and virtual seminars with all Dorset Council Councillors. It has set up a distribution centre for the delivery of food parcels to those deemed vulnerable by central government, delivered supplies of PPE to Care Homes if they run out ,(DC are not responsible for sourcing or delivering PPE) have set up a call centre to ring the most vulnerable to identify their needs, are working with officers to manage and coordinate their response to vulnerable adults and to vulnerable children and have set up a response centres to help parents.

CORRESPONDENCE

2155 The Clerks report on the continued very low use and donations at the Parish Council car parks was noted. This opportunity will be taken to carry out surface repairs at both sites. **Action** Clerk

2156 The PC noted the very positive local feedback on the success of the Covid 19 WM Volunteer goods and drug collection assistance scheme. The PC agreed financial assistance to WMVH for this dedicated mobile phone and top up support service. This mobile is being transferred between volunteers organising help for vulnerable residents in WM and HX area during the current crisis. **Action** Clerk

2157 The PC agreed to object to the proposed ambulance provision changes in the Swanage area **Action** Clerk

2158 The PC agreed in principle to support the re-opening of Community Hospital beds as these would be of benefit to WM and Purbeck residents. **Action** Clerk

HIGHWAY MATTERS

2159 East Boro Housing Association had made a request for a 30mph speed limit on the Worth village approach from their development at Old Quarry Close. D C Highways had referred them back to the PC. The Clerk had advised EBHA that DCH required speed surveys to be paid for and the results to justify any new limit. The Clerk had advised that a previous application by the PC by WM church had cost the PC £400 for speed surveys before DC stated the results did not meet their speed limit provision criteria. The Clerk had therefore asked EBHA for a donation to meet these costs and this was being considered for action once traffic flows had resumed and the development was occupied. **Action** Clerk

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2160 The PC thanked Dorset Police for their assistance as full restitution of all the costs of replacing the damaged WM height barrier on the 21/3/2020 had been received. This matter was now closed. **Action** Clerk

2161 The PC noted reports received of injury on the public footpath stile by Quarr farm to a dog which required expensive veterinary expenditure. This had been referred by the Clerk to the DC Footpath Officer responsible for maintaining stiles. **Action** Clerk

2162 The PC noted and fully supported the objection letter sent by the Clerk to the Department for Transport officials considering the Swanage Ferry Company proposed 2020 fare increases. **Action** Clerk

2163 The PC noted the concerns expressed in WM about the loss / relocation of historic standing stones by Bladon and elsewhere in Worth village. These concerns had been referred by the Clerk to DCH for action. **Action** Clerk

2164 The PC agreed the scope of works and the quotation received from the contractor for the resurfacing / repairs of the HX and WM car park surface. **Action** Clerk

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

2165 PA, 6/2020/0188 Valley Lodge Valley Road, Harmans Cross, Wareham, BH20 5HU Demolish existing bungalow and garage and erect a detached 2 storey house with integral garage **No Objections**

2166 PA, 6/2020/0121, Listed building consent Old Farm House, Worth Matravers, Swanage, BH19 3LQ Replace guttering and brackets on front elevation **No Objections**

FINANCIAL MATTERS

2167 The WMPC Cash Book Reconciliation. 31 March 2020 was noted

2168 The PC noted the External Auditors had not sent out the necessary Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) forms to allow commencement of the Internal and External Audit of the WMPC 2019- 2020 accounts. A draft copy of the Statement of Accounts as sent to all Cllrs of the 2019-2020 AGAR was agreed. This would be signed by the Chairman once the delayed forms were supplied by the External Auditors. **Action** Clerk

2169 The PC noted the continuing major loss of WM and HX car park income and approved a revised PC Budget for 2020-21 taking this into account. The PC agreed existing contingency funds in Reserve balances will have to be used to finance this deficit budget. **Action** Clerk

2170 Payment of invoices received and checked 8 April to 5 May 2020

R Khanna	£ 789.08	Clerk's salary, PAYE, and expenses April 2020
WM Village Hall	£ 47.40	Community support phone donation
L.Hoad	£ 150.00	WM Pond Duck support donation
WMPC Office	£ 66.50	BT Internet and phone, March 2020
J D Facilities.	£ 628.55	WM Toilet Cleansing February 2020
ITB Gardening	£ 858.00	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance
Came and Co	£ 657.90	Council Insurance

2171 **Confidential Minute** From 5 May with donations and usage now very small to non-existent, Cllr Woolford would collect the HX car park donations and the Clerk would continue to collect at the WM car park until this situation changed.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

2172 Cllr Bugler expressed concern that CV19 needed to be considered as a separate non- political issue to any proposed increased use of Community Hospitals. Highly infectious CV19 patients should not be put into close contact in a community hospital with the most vulnerable and frail patients in society. There was also currently significant under use of available CV 19 beds especially at the newly created NHS Nightingale CV19 centres.

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