

# SHERBORNE ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sherborne St John Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30p.m in The Village Hall Sherborne St John, on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014

*The Planning Committee met prior to the full Council meeting at 7.00p.m at the same venue. Any comments are recorded below under Planning.*

## **Present:**

Richard Morgan	Chairman	Syd Abraham	Vice-Chairman & Treasurer
Linda Agnew		Natasha Rougier	
Jayne Tomlinson		Penny Mayo	Parish Clerk

Also present 4 parishioners.

## **14.77. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs John Leek & Keith Chapman and Julian Crawley, Neighbourhood Plan Chairman.

## **14.78. Minutes of the meeting 28<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

The following points were noted:

14.70a. It was noted that the Post Office will probably cease trading by the New Year. There is no further information about mobile post offices services. The Parish Council is still investigating options. **PM**

14.71a It has not been decided where the free trees will be planted – suggestions were to plant some around the Village Green, end of Manor Road and around the recreation field. Cllr Morgan felt a professional gardener should be engaged to plant the trees.

14.73a The Village Hall is no longer planning to build an extension to the Hall at the present time.

Cllr Abraham proposed acceptance of the minutes of the meeting 28<sup>th</sup> July 2014, seconded by Cllr Morgan who signed them as Chairman.

## **14.79. Matters arising from the minutes**

14.70 The report of thefts from the Kiln Road allotments was found to be incorrect.

The Clerk contacted Sentinel who informed her that they had no plans to replace the existing lights outside their garages in Kiln Road.

## **14.80. Parish Matters**

a. Chute. It was confirmed that there is a problem with litter onsite which Mr Edwards clears at present. It is hoped that when the new bins are installed in the car park the problem will diminish. Mr Edwards to contact the Clerk to identify where the new bins are to be placed so she can inform BDBC who will install them. **JE(Chute)/PM**

The multiplay unit in the children's play area needs repair. **PM**

Hedge cutting. A Quote is to be obtained to cut the hedges and the Clerk will contact BDBC to ask them to include it in their present Parish works contract for next year. **JE(Chute)/PM**

Further items re the Chute Pavilion were bought up under 'Open Forum'.

b. War Memorial cleaning & repair to the path. The Clerk has received one quote for cleaning for £700. The Clerk will try to obtain another quote for the cleaning and 2 quotes for relaying the short path. Cllr Abraham and Mr J Edwards will inspect the site and report back. **SA/JWE/PM**

c. Shared bus with Kingsclere. As there is already a good bus service in the Village to Basingstoke and Tadley the Council did not feel this service would benefit the Parish. The Clerk will ask for the prospective route. **PM**

d. Speed watch – parish contribution. The Parish Council have already agreed to fund the shortfall of approx £1500. The Clerk will contact the organiser Becky Jones to find out what action the Council needs to undertake for the scheme to go forward. **PM**

e. Bus Stop (by Mongers) . Mr J Edwards agreed to inspect the shelter and report back to the Clerk. **JWE**

f. Hedge cutting Elm Rd by allotments. The Clerk will obtain 2 quotes if possible for the work & report back to the PC. It was agreed that the Clerk, Mr Wilkinson and local residents would meet on site before any work is undertaken. **PM**

g. Cranes Road by Church Lane. Bush overhanging pavement reported. Clerk has already contacted HCC.

h. Footpath problem by Gales Garage. Clerk has been informed that it has been ploughed up although it may just be problems with the state of the verge/footpath/embankment. To be investigated. **PM**

i. Post office – The Parish Council recognised the contribution this establishment has made over the years to the Village. They asked the Clerk to contact Lindsey Berry to see if she has painted the Post Office. **PM**

j. Infrastructure Fund Application. The Clerk has completed the LIF application and submitted it to BDBC for consideration. The application includes the provision of a new storage structure for grounds equipment. Terry Buller suggested investigating a non brick built unit as cheaper and applying also to the Football Foundation Association for funding. **PM**

#### **14.81. Finance**

The Treasurer Cllr Abraham informed the Parish Council that the Parish finances were good and adequate for all projected expenditure for the year. He presented an invoice for £226.79 re item 14.76d for bulbs to be planted around the Parish which the Council agreed unanimously for payment.

a. Audit. The Clerk confirmed that the 2013/4 audit had been completed and approved by the external auditors BDO and posted the legal notices on the notice boards. Cllr Abraham proposed acceptance of the audit seconded by Cllr Morgan.

b. Payments. The Councillors reviewed the list of payments made by the Clerk on the Parish Council's behalf since the last meeting and all present signed as accurate.

c. Barbecue. This event was a great success and Cllr Abraham thanked Cllr Morgan and his team for all their efforts. A raffle on the day made over £500 donated to Radcam. The Clerk has supplied accounts to Cllrs Morgan & Abraham detailing income & expenditure and had e mailed sections of the Local Government Act 1972, sections 137 & 145, to all the Councillors for their information. These sections permit The Parish Council to provide supplementary funding for an event which is of direct benefit to the community's inhabitants. As this was the first time of holding an event it was noted that the tickets had been under priced and that many people bought their own food and beverages. While the event made a loss overall of £1774 this included a PC contribution to the Village Hall Committee of £785 towards cost of running the Village Hall so the actual loss was only £990 which is well within the permitted guidelines under the Local Government Act 1972. Cllr Abraham proposed agreement to the Council's contribution of £785 to the Village Hall and cover of the £900 deficit re barbecue costs seconded by Cllr Morgan.

d. Junior football Club. As the club has had significant expenditure during the year on the football pitches Cllr Abraham proposed that they pay no rent for the 2014/5 season, seconded by Cllr Rougier

e. Chute. John Edwards, Chute Management Committee, informed the Parish Council that there was a considerable amount of work needed at the Chute and the associated costs – tennis court fencing £12000, Pavilion decoration £5000, Sealing doors £750, storage unit £10000, hedge maintenance £360. The Parish Council agreed the quotes provided for the hedge work & the sealing of the doors (£360 & £750) and asked for further quotes to be obtained for fencing, decoration and storage facilities. The Clerk will also approach BDBC about including the hedge work in their yearly contract with the Parish. No decisions can be made until more quotes are obtained and the result of the LIF grant application is known. **JE(Chute)/PM**

#### **14.82. Correspondence Received**

The Clerk has received a request from Piccolo for further session times. Upon investigation this is not possible at the present time.

#### **14.83. Open Forum**

a. The Clerk has received a quote to clean the War Memorial in the churchyard of £700, and the path is also in need of repair. Cllr Abraham & Mr J D Edwards will investigate and obtain further quotes if possible for both. **JWE/SA/PM**

b. Mr Edwards ( Neighbourhood Plan Committee Member) asked to be included in Planning meetings in future. The Clerk will ensure he is informed of meetings in future. **PM**

c. A request for volunteers to plant the bulbs on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014 around the Village areas has been placed in the Villager. Mr Edwards will produce a map which marks appropriate places for the bulbs including Elm, Cranes, and Vyne & A340 roads, together with an instruction sheet. He asked the Parish Council to supply letters of consent for the work to give to each volunteer. **PM/RM**

#### **14.84. Neighbourhood Plan**

The Clerk has circulated Julian Crawley's report to the Councillors & provided Cllr Agnew with a printed copy of this and the questionnaire. The Committee is still on target and the Questionnaire will be collected and issued this week to all households via a volunteer delivery network under Mr Edwards. *Since the meeting this has been completed.*

The Young Person's Event has been concluded and winners issued with certificates and prize money totalling £60. BDBC 's Emma Clarke supplied the Clerk with an accepted plan NP for Tattenhall District, which is a similar size to Sherborne St John. The Clerk will scan it and send it to all councillors and NP committee members for their information. **PM**

#### **14.85. Planning**

Granted – 14/00841/HSE 5a Vyne Road  
13/02196/FUL 4 West End  
14/01110/FUL The Grange  
14/00267/FUL Jennings Yard  
14/00090/ROC Hill End Farm

Withdrawn 14/01900/GPDOFF – Post Office – Resubmitted in correct category

Refused - 14/01007/FUL 14a Manor Road

The following applications were reviewed by the Planning Committee who had no objections to make

14/02264/HSE 18 West End – 2storey & first floor ext

14/02339/HSE 1 Bournefield – Erection of single storey rear extension

14/02347/FUL Beaurepaire Park – new vehicular access onto Morgaston Road

14/02346/LBC Beaurepaire House – 3 storey new wing + basement, repairs etc to moat Bridges, new balcony, boat landing etc

14/02499/ADV DWH – Marnel Park Sales suite + parking, lights & flagpoles, illumination

*Committee asked Clerk to ask if 11 poles were necessary and whether the site would be illuminated at night*

14/02500/FUL DWH – erection of temporary sales & marketing suite. *Committee asked Clerk to find out what happens to building at the end.*

14/02502/FUL DWH alterations to layout positions of 6 plots & house type

14/02512/ROC Hill End farm Variation of conditions of planning 14/00090/ROC revised means of access

14/02553/VLA DWH – variations of section 106 agreement. *Cllr Rougier will check that this is not detrimental to Sherborne St John.*

14/0288/OHL Land north Marnel Park – consultation of relocation & replacement of overhead lines etc

Trees: T/00426/14/TCA 53 West End Fell Ash tree

#### **14.86. Councillors' Comments**

The Clerk was asked to contact the authorities for the result of the recent traffic survey in the centre of the village by the school crossing undertaken to help resolve the traffic speeding problem through the centre by the school. **PM**

#### **14.87. Close**

The meeting was closed by the Chairman Cllr Morgan at 9.15p.m.

**The Article for the Villager which is due by 12<sup>th</sup> October 2014 will be written by Cllr Agnew.**