

## Winterborne Stickland Parish Council

**Chairman:** David Godden

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### MINUTES of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 25th March 2019

**Present:** Cllrs D Godden (Chairman) J Sutcliffe (Vice Chairman) V Manners, K Cowan, J Tebb, P Harlock & K Hickson **Apologies:** None **In attendance:** District Councillor Audrey Burch, Sam Smith (Clerk) & 13 members of the community.

- 1. Welcome & Apologies:** Cllr D Godden welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. District Councillor's Report:** Cllr Burch gave a report as follows - on the 1st April 2019 the 6 current District Councils & 1 County Council will be coming together to form the new Dorset Council. Our April meeting will be the last WSPC meeting that Cllr Burch will attend.
- 3. PC Officer's Report:** Cllr Manners had no local crime information to report. Cllr Godden thanked Cllr Manners for his contribution to the PC over past years, Cllr Manners has decided not to stand for re election in May & he is unable to attend the April PC meeting.
- 4. Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 25th February 2019 were agreed and signed by Cllr Godden.
- 5. Clerk's update/actions:** The Clerk has been contacted by NDDC Community Planning & Development with regards to The Crown Pub being registered as a Community Asset. The Clerk answered a few questions that NDDC had and hopefully a decision on the application should be received soon. The Clerk gave Cllr Godden John Gills brass memorial plaque which will now be positioned on the planters at the triangle. Charles Lovell had mentioned stones on bike track which were stopping him from mowing the grass, Cllr Harlock agreed to clear these up. The annual play park report has been received. As expected the remaining equipment has been given a very short life span and some maintenance work was recommended in the report.
- 6. Democratic Period:** It was reported that the footpath behind the Pamela Hambro Hall needs some maintenance as the terrain has become tricky. The Clerk will report this to Dorset Countryside. A Solar Fund Committee meeting is planned for the 7th April, 3 applications have been received for consideration.
- 7. Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Godden's property is on the boundary of Stickland Farmhouse. Cllr Godden joined the public for the planning discussion.
- 8. Planning applications received: 2/2019/0009/FUL - Stickland Farmhouse, West Street DT11 0NT - convert 2 buildings into 1 residential dwelling & 1 gallery/exhibition use with residential use.** The applicant attended the meeting and made a short presentation of his plans for the site. The planning proposal attracted a much larger audience from the public than is usual, all of which objected and none supported the application. The applicant had made some effort to engage with his immediate neighbours in advance of the Parish meeting and this should be recognised. The Parish Council vote was a unanimous decision to object to the development, Cllr Sutcliffe will forward the Clerk the PCs comments to send to the Planning Officer. These can be viewed on the 'Dorset for you' website.

**9. Planning applications decision notices & progress updates:** John King attended the meeting to raise the issue of the unauthorised summerhouse/garage at Chalky Lane that is still in situ. Hannah Smith (Planning Area Manager) is due to undertake a site visit on 26th March 2019. The Clerk had received a reply to the PCs letter to Building Control and this was read out at the meeting. **2/2018/1646/OUT - Normandy Farm, Fairmile, Winterborne Stickland, DT11 0LY** Conversion and change of use of agricultural buildings to Business, Industrial and Storage / Distribution uses (Classes B1, B2 and B8). Demolish dairy building and central cattle shed and develop land by the erection of a building for Business, Industrial and Storage / Distribution uses (Classes B1, B2 and B8). Modify vehicular access and form car parking. (Outline application to determine access only) - this application has been **approved** by NDDC.

**10. Financial report:** Cheques for payment were agreed as follows:

S Smith	<b>£260.01</b>	(Clerks salary March 2019 & expenses)
C Lovell	<b>£100.00</b>	(grass cutting for March 2019)
The Play Inspection Company Ltd	<b>£78.00</b>	(annual play park report)
Dorset County Council	<b>£391.14</b>	(SID posts)

A VAT claim has been submitted by the Clerk and a refund of **£193.16** had been received into the PC bank account on 11/03/2019. A payment of **£360.00** was also received in the PC bank account from SWAS (defibrillator refund) and a cheque was signed to transfer this amount into the correct bank account (Solar Fund)

**11. Matters arising:**

**11.1 SI device:** The payment cheque for the SID has cleared in the PC bank account but the SID has not yet been received. The Clerk has requested a 1/3 of the cost from MAPC as agreed. Cllr Godden will organise ordering the extra brackets & solar panels.

**11.2 Elections 2019:** All Cllrs returned their Nomination Papers to the Clerk. A paper was also received from Brian Drammis who has very kindly volunteered to join us as a Cllr from May 2019. The Clerk will hand deliver the papers to NDDC on the 27th March 2019. A total of 6 papers will be submitted leaving a total of 3 vacancies on the PC.

**11.3 River Management in Clenston Road:** The hedge has recently been cut along this stretch of road. A leak in the stream on to the road opposite Beeches was reported. The Clerk will report this to Highways as the concrete blocks need re positioning.

**12. Correspondence:** All correspondence had been forwarded to Cllrs ahead of the meeting. An email had been received from DWP requesting that speeding limit stickers are not stuck on to the side of wheelie bins. Sticklebacks Nursery has been re visited by Ofsted and has been now rated as satisfactory and their childcare funding has also been reinstated.

**13. Items for the next agenda:**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

**Next meeting Date:** Monday 29th April 2019 @ 7.30pm **Venue:** Pamela Hambro Village Hall.

Signed.....Presiding Chairman

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