



**MINUTES OF THE ARNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2016 AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL
COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

Present: Cllrs V Ward, A Pellegrini, A Wakefield-Sutton, R Bessant, P Love, R Scragg

Chair: Cllr D Hunter

Clerk: Mrs A Crocker

Also Present: 10 members of the public, District Cllr M Barnes, County Cllr M Lovell

Before starting the meeting, the Chairman asked if anyone present intended filming or recording any part of the meeting. No-one claimed any intention to do so.

1. Public Participation Period

17.83 Rosemary Randall expressed her thanks to the Parish Council. In the past the Council has been very helpful to her family and, in more recent times, regarding the proposed developments on West Lane she would like to extend her thanks to the Clerk.

Beryl Weeks – understood the settlement boundary finished before the proposed development on West Lane but the boundary now looked as though it was reaching up to the by-pass. Cllr Scragg responded saying that the settlement boundary was under review and could be moved to allow development.

It was noted that, in 2012, the exception site provisions allowed for some market housing as well. This made the site more appealing to developers.

Christopher Weeks asked if this meant that historic boundaries no longer mattered if money is involved. Periodically, the boundaries can be reviewed and this has happened recently to tidy up oddities such as boundaries running through the middle of buildings.

Cllr Barnes responded saying it is nothing to do with money. Should a plot come up and it is inside or on the border of the parish a boundary amendment can be considered. It does not necessarily mean the settlement boundary has to increase, it may also decrease.

Mrs Weeks asked for an update on the Stepping Stones field. Cllr Hunter reported that the two sites, originally included in the Arne Neighbourhood Plan, have been withdrawn by the Parish Council from our Plan. As we made clear from the outset, should a developer apply to develop the land, the Parish Council may object, but we cannot prevent it – this would be down to PDC.

2. Declaration of Interests

17.84 No interests were declared at this stage and no dispensations had been received.

3. To receive apologies for absence

17.85 No apologies had been received as all Councillors are present.

4. To confirm Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 21st July 2016

17.86 A copy had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting.

17.59 – Cristo should read Christow.

The dog bin is on Natural England land, not National Trust.

Councillors are asked to ensure that any spelling mistakes are notified to the Clerk prior to the meeting in future.

Cllr Ward proposed the minutes to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Love and agreed unanimously

The minutes were signed by the Chairman in the presence of the meeting.

5. Matters arising from the minutes - for report only

17.87 The offer of high viz jackets – the school needs to write a formal request. Cllr Pellegrini will speak to the Governors.

ACTION: CLLR PELLEGRINI

Hayricks – Cllr Hunter and the Clerk met with the contractor during the second week of July regarding filling the lagoon. Whilst some work has been carried out, a large part has not. The Clerk will speak to the contractor and, if they are not able to carry out the work, a new contractor will be found.

ACTION: CLERK

Partial Review – our response had been submitted.

The Village Green – the ownership of the area requires further investigation.

Pan Purbeck Action Committee – Cllr Pellegrini suggested keeping a watching brief on the group but not take an active part in it.

Allotment Committee – the Clerk will send letters to those allotment holders who expressed an interest in forming a committee.

ACTION: CLERK

Footpath 7 – this was put before DCC for resolution.

6. County Councillor's Report

17.88 Cllr Lovell reported that there was little happening at County level but the consultation on the unitary authority is underway. There will be meetings across Dorset – Wareham, 15th October from 10am until 2pm at Sainsburys.

Some members had received a paper survey, whilst Cllr Pellegrini had been invited to attend a consultation process with an offer of £5 towards his expenses. Cllr Lovell was unaware that this was happening and will look into it.

7. District Councillor's Report

17.89 Cllr Barnes reported that the larger councils would not appear to have been run particularly efficiently, but they have most of the costs. Whilst money may be saved by the unitary authority to begin with, as time goes by, this will not be the case.

Cllr Hunter asked if the consultation was at the 'broad brush' level or is it looking at the grass roots level. No – still looking at the overall authority and the more detailed aspects have yet to be considered.

8. To confirm the payment of accounts and consider the bank reconciliation and position against budget for the year to date

17.90 To confirm the payment of accounts

The following the payments were requested:

Anvil	Stoborough Maintenance – March, April & July 2016	100956	1333.14
Mrs A Crocker	August wages + expenses	100957	587.40
HMRC	PAYE August	100958	122.00
PDC	Planning training	100959	50.00

The above payments had already been paid out in August.

N Clifford	Tow path cuts – April to August	100960	300.00
Play Inspection Co	Annual RoSPA inspection	100961	78.00
Mrs A Crocker	September wages + expenses	100962	441.39
HMRC	September PAYE	100963	103.60
Anvil Grounds	Stoborough Meadow – August	100964	428.38
R Scragg	Land Registry mapping	100965	35.94
R Scragg	Re Tradewind for drop-in fliers	100966	22.50

The total amount requested from the Precept is £3,502.35. Cllr Wakefield-Sutton proposed that the payments are made. This was seconded by Cllr Ward and agreed unanimously. The cheques were signed by two councillors in the presence of the meeting.

17.91 To confirm the bank reconciliation and position against budget for the year to date

A copy of the reports had been given to all members prior to the start of the meeting. No comments were made or questions raised.

9. Parish Reports

17.92 Councillor's reports on meetings attended

Cllr Ward – 15/9 Hayricks Inspection, 10/8 NP Steering Group

Cllr Scragg – 10/8 and 31/8 Steering Group meetings

Cllr Bessant – 10/8 NP Steering Group, 8/9 PDC training

Cllr Wakefield-Sutton – 4/8 and 15/8, 10/9 and 15/9 Hayricks inspections, 5/8 NP Steering Group, 25/8 Wareham Charities; 31/8 NP Steering Group; 8/9 PDC planning training

Cllr Pellegrini – 31/8 Steering Group, 8/9 PDC training.

Cllr Hunter – 10/8 and 31/8 Steering Group meetings, 8/9 PDC planning training

Cllr Love – 10/8 and 31/8 Steering Group meetings, 8/9 PDC planning training

17.93 Clerk's Report

A copy of the report had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting.

17.94 Reports from Other Groups

Stoborough Village Hall – there has been no recent meeting but work will begin on the ceiling, walls and woodwork, also to the kitchen. The ceiling in the main hall has been completed and is ready for painting. The rendering around the hall has been completed and will be painted in the near future. Storage still has to be put into the ceiling and the storage unit in the car park will then be removed.

Furzebrook Hall – nothing to report.

Stoborough Meadow Residents' Association – met on the 17th August and the minutes have been distributed. The main issue was the use of the waste bin at the entrance to the Hayricks for dog mess. The Clerk had responded saying that it is PDC policy that the waste bins can be used for dog mess as well and they will be emptied.

Ridge Residents' Association – Garage and table top sale. The next event will be a Fungi Forage on the 15th. Still continuing with the work on improving the Broadband in Ridge. Cllr Lovell is thanked for his support.

Stoborough Primary School – Cllr Pellegrini reported that he had received an e-mail from Debbie Corbin saying they are opening the consultation for extending the school day in order to be able to cover the National Curriculum. It is intended to have a 15 minute gap between the key exiting times of the stages classes. The school is contacting the various stake holders and local residents and have asked the Parish Council to consider the proposal. This will extend the drop-off time and hopefully cut down on the congestion around the school. Cllr Hunter reported that warning lights have now been installed in Corfe Road on either side of the school. A letter has been received from DCC Highways regarding our letter in support of that sent by Robert Smaile asking for traffic calming in front of the school. It was noted that some parents are parking in Oak Tree Close when collecting children – this is a private road.

17.95 Reports regarding the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Hayricks – Cllr Ward reported that during August, a tent was erected on the Hayricks. In this instance, it was a young couple practicing putting up a tent but it did highlight the fact that there is nothing to say camping is not permitted on the field. She suggested a notice should be put up on the gate saying 'No camping, fires' etc. Cllr Lovell felt that it was overkill with only one tent having been put up in the whole time the Hayricks has been there. Cllr Love – the Hayricks is part of the village and residents could have picnics, etc. there and perhaps have a portable barbeque. Cllr Hunter – given the circumstances, the potential for a problem is understood and perhaps the situation should be monitored. Should it happen again, we will consider appropriate action.

Allotments – already discussed.

SANG – Cllr Pellegrini visited the site and reported that it is looking very much greener. The dog bins have been emptied and were not overflowing. Cllr Barnes had nothing further to add.

17.96 Neighbourhood Plan update

Cllr Pellegrini reported that, having withdrawn the West Lane sites, the motion to continue with the Plan was discussed and the committee unanimously agreed to do so. There are no SHLAAs under consideration but the group is looking for possible sites for affordable housing. The consultant will be asked to draw up a policy to cover the requirement for local housing and how local people can be given priority. The group also discussed Worgret and the possibility of asking PDC to consider 30 houses on the site and not the 500 planned. Sympathetic infill is also being considered but such properties would always be market housing.

17.97 To receive an update on meetings with the National Trust, Natural England and RSPB

Cllr Hunter reported that he will meet with Ian Alexander of Natural England on the 5th October and has received an e-mail from Dante Munns, RSPB, saying he would like to meet and discuss progress made to date.

Cllr Scragg asked if we had received an update on the ‘Wilding of Purbeck’ – i.e. relocating the cattle grids. Cllr Hunter reported that this was going to be an expensive exercise for Natural England and had been put on hold for the time being.

17.98 Community Governance Review update

The Clerk reported that the Notice of the Review had been issued as at 8th August 2016. PDC is now conducting the first stage of the review process and is inviting residents and interested organisations to submit their views on the proposal. The deadline for any submissions is the 7th October 2016. The draft proposals will then be considered by the Audit and Governance Committee on the 6th December 2016 and will be published on the 12th December. A further two months consultation will then follow. Final recommendations will be prepared by the 17th February, 2017 with the recommendations being published and considered by Council on the 21st March 2017. The Order will then be made and, depending on the outcome and recommendations, the Parish Council will be able to fill the vacancy.

The Clerk will forward the Notice of Review to Cllr Scragg for putting on the web site and for going on to notice boards.

ACTION: CLERK

10. To consider Planning Applications received

17.99 6/2016/415 Forge Cottage, Puddletown Road – non material amendments

No objections. The application has been approved

6/2016/0416 Fernside, Arne Road – removal of existing shed & erect 2 storey extn

No objections. The application has been approved.

6/2016/0355 Rosemary Cottage, New Road – single storey side extension

No objection.

TWA/2016/0132 Stocks Wood, Grange Road – Scots Pine - reduce; Western Red Cedar – reduce; Western Red Cedar – fell

No objection.

TWA/2016/0134 59 Corfe Road, Stoborough – various tree works

No objection.

ACTION: CLERK

11. Correspondence/items for action and resolution

17.100 To review the Play Inspection report for the Hayricks and consider any actions necessary and to consider the 2017 inspection

A copy of the report had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting.

All the items listed are either low or very low risk. The Clerk has contacted a contractor to take a look at the children’s play frame as the ply wood structure needs repairing or replacing.

Cllr Wakefield-Sutton highlighted one or two points, picking up on the RoSPA report, such as the children’s play area gate needing to be a different colour.

The seat on the zip wire needs replacing.

A list will be drawn up of items requiring attention and a quotation obtained and put before the Parish Council.

ACTION: CLERK

An order has been received from The Play Inspection Company for the 2017 inspection. If this is forwarded in advance, it will secure the price as £65 + VAT. Cllr Pellegrini proposed that the order be submitted. This was seconded by Cllr Wakefield-Sutton and agreed unanimously. The Clerk will submit the order.

ACTION: CLERK

17.101 To confirm the purchase and placing of a dog bin at the Ridge Crossroads

The Clerk reported DWP had been informed and a response was awaited. In the meantime, the cost of a new bin will be £86.25 + VAT. Cllr Hunter will ask Ian Alexander if NE would consider making a donation towards the bin.

ACTION: CLLR HUNTER

17.102 To consider placing barriers on the tow path

The Clerk reported that an e-mail had been received regarding the use of the tow path by cyclists. It was suggested that staggered barriers could be put at either end of the path, forcing cyclists to dismount and push their cycles under the barrier. The Clerk had pointed out that this would not then prevent them from remounting and cycling between the barriers.

Cllr Ward said that this would also obstruct people with mobility scooters. Cllr Pellegrini suggested that this should be a community response. Cllr Scragg suggested discussing the use of the path with Redcliffe Camp Site. Cllr Love pointed that, as a tow path, there should not be any cycling on the path. Generally, it was felt that there was little that could be done to prevent the use of the path by cyclists other than, when seen, they are asked to dismount.

12. Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman for discussion only

17.103 Nothing further to add.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:27pm

The next meeting will be on the 20th October 2016 at 7.00pm, Stoborough Village Hall