

MINUTES OF THE ARNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21st APRIL 2022 AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING AT <u>7PM</u>

Present: Cllrs: R Bessant, I Duckworth, A. Patrick M. Sims and V Ward.

Chair: Cllr S Cranshaw

Clerk: Mr. E. Macknamara

Also Present: Mr. I. Alexander (Natural England); Jamie Rudge (Parish Lengthsman) and 2 members of the public.

1. Public Participation Period

Arne Moor Project: Mr. Alexander of Natural England outlined the arrangements being made for the Community Events relating to the Project at Arne Moors:

Tuesday, 14th June 2022: Presentation to the Parish Council at Stoborough Village Hall Wednesday, 15th June 2022: Stakeholder Liaison Group Online Event Tuesday, 21st and Wednesday, 22nd June 2022: General Public Exhibition at Stoborough Village Hall.

Further details and timings would be publicised in due course.

Purbeck Heaths National Nature Reserve: Mr. Alexander further reported that the work at Purbeck Heath had now been completed except for some fencing work. Livestock would be released to graze the area and boundary fencing would be removed to allow pedestrian access from Furzebrook to Ridge.

Sustainable Wareham: A representative of Sustainable Wareham reported on their latest Project (Solar Street Scheme) which would encourage the use of solar panels. The launch would take place by the end of May/Early June with Solar Panels being in use soon after the launch. The Parish Council's support for this Project would be requested.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no Declarations of Interest made by Members present in respect of the items contained in the Agenda.

3. To receive apologies for absence

21.230 Apology for absence had been received from Cllr. I. Church and Cllr. J. Ives. Dorset Councillors B. Ezzard and R. Holloway were unable to be present at the meeting due to other commitments.

4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th March 2022

21.231 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th March, 2022 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

A Member raised concern about Minute 4 and suggested that the implication was that Stoborough Village Hall were being asked to make a Grant towards the costs of the resilience hub. The Chair explained the history relating to this proposal and that a former Chairman of the Parish Council had overseen the application for a Grant from the Resilient Community Fund which had been successful and paid into the Parish Council's Account. With this money 3 Generators had been purchased and some work carried out to the wiring at Stoborough Village Hall. However, the Generators had not been installed and had been put into storage. If Stoborough Village Hall was to be used as the Resilience Hub then further work would be needed to the electrics and upgraded to allow the use of the three Generators. The Parish Council were, therefore, looking to re-start the scheme either at Stoborough Village Hall or Furzebrook Village Hall.

The Clerk further explained that the minutes relating to this issue of the meetings in February and March were not intended to imply that Stoborough Village Hall would be asked for financial support but other Grant Sources would be investigated by the Parish Council.

Members felt that the resilience hub should preferably be located at Stoborough Village Hall as it was centrally located and easier to access should the need arise.

It was then moved that Minute No 21.205 should be amended to remove the ambiguity relating to the source of further grant support and that Stoborough Village Hall Management Committee would not be approached as as "an alternative source of Grant".

The proposal was seconded and on being put to the vote it was agreed that the resolution to minute 21.105 be amended to read:

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council receive and note the Report and seek appropriate grant sources to enable the Resilience Hub to be established.

The following amendments were also moved and seconded: Minute No. 21.171 That the cost of the seeds were estimated to be in the region of $\pounds 161$

Minute No. 21.212 That the meeting note that the "Sustainable Tourism" was intended to manage existing tourism as it currently existed.

On being put to the vote it was unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th March, 2022, as amended, be approved as a correct record.

The Chair signed the minutes, as amended, in the presence of the meeting.

5. 21.232 Matters arising – for report only

• Minute No. 21.211 Parish Council Website: A further meeting would be arranged to discuss and report on the future requirements and layout of the Website

ACTION: THE CLERK/CHAIR AND CLLRS SIMS AND DUCKWORTH

• Minute 21.221 Lengthsman Scheme: The Parish Lengthsman was present at the meeting and he outlined the areas of work he would be able to undertake in addition to the siting of the Speed Indicator Device. He specialised in tree work but also undertook other maintenance work which may required in the Parish.

RESOLVED: That the Lengthsman be asked to provide quotes for the following work:

Maintenance of the trees including the overgrown willows around the Parish Allotment Site.

Make safe (as required) the Oak tree located at The Hayricks/Corfe Road.

ACTION: THE CLERK

6. Dorset Councillor's Report

21.233 In the absence of Councillor Ezzard the Dorset Council report on recent developments, having been circulated prior to the meeting was noted and received.

7. To confirm the payment of accounts

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The following payments had been requested:

Invoice Date	Payee	Description	Amount
17/04/2022	E Macknamara	Salary – April	£452.00
17/04/2022	HMRC	PAYE Payment	£225.95
		TOTAL	£677.95

RESOLVED: i) That the payments amounting to £677.95 as listed above be approved for payment.

ACTION: CHAIR

21.235 To agree the bank reconciliation and position against budget

Copies of the reports had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. The meeting noted the current balances and the Budget Report for the period ended 31st March 2022.

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.236 The Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021

The Clerk had circulated a Draft of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 but the final detail was dependent on the receipt of the accounts for the Wareham Joint Burial Board and the final Documents, as amended, would be submitted for approval at The next meeting.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

ACTION: THE CLERK

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21.237 Queen's Jubilee:

RESOLVED: That the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting be held on Thursday, 19th May, 2022 and that the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee be celebrated at the conclusion of these meetings by way of a cheese and wine party.

21.238 Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces Contract:

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council review the Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.239 Lengthsman Scheme: There were no defects to be reported for action by the Lengthsman.

8. Parish Reports

21.240 Councillors' Reports on meetings attended

Cllr. Bessant had attended the Imerys Corfe Project Meeting on the 21st February, 2022 and the Stoborough Village Hall Management Committee on the 28th February, 2022. A meeting of the Wareham Joint Burial Board Finance Committee had also been attended by Cllr. Bessant along with Cllr. Duckworth.

Cllr. Bessant also reported on the changes that RSPB – Arne had introduced to replace car parking charges. A charge of $\pounds 5$ per visitor would now be made which would impact on families visiting their site.

Cllr. Cranshaw had attended the coffee morning at Stoborough Village Hall arranged by the Purbeck Coast Radio Station.

Cllr. Cranshaw had also attended the Purbeck Committee of DAPTC on the 20th April, 2022 which had discussed Resilience Planning, the 20 is Plenty Campaign and the resolution put forward by Langton Matravers Parish Council regarding the planning function and Dorset Council's involvement in the planning process. Members supported the proposal that planning notices should be erected on site by Dorset Council to make resident aware of planning applications.

21.241 <u>Reports from other village committees</u>

Stoborough Village Hall – Nothing further to report.

Furzebrook Village Hall – Nothing Further to report.

Stoborough Meadow Residents' Association – Nothing further to report.

Ridge Residents' Association – Nothing to report.

Stoborough Primary School – Nothing further to report.

21.242 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Replacement Benches: The local residents who wished to purchase the bench at the Play Area had now decided not to proceed. In view of the background to this matter it was: RESOLVED: That the bench be donated to the family free of charge and that they be informed that there would be no objection to a Memorial Plaque.

- 21.243 Hayricks Play Area: The repairs of the Play Equipment had now been completed and the replacement benches had been ordered together with the Spring Horse. A quote had been requested to widen the gap at the chicane entrance to improve access.
- 21.244 SANG: Nothing to report.
- 21.245 ARNE ALLOTMENTS: Details of the Allotment Waiting list were noted. It was agreed That additional allotment space should be investigated.

The Clerk would write to allotment holders when plots were not kept cultivated to a

- 21.246 Dorset Local Plan: Cllr Duckworth reported on the latest proposals from the Dorset Deserves Better Campaign and the growing support for the approach they had adopted in respect of the Dorset Local Plan. There had been no further response from the Leader of Dorset Council regarding their suggested approach to revising the Local Plan.
- 21.247 Purbeck Local Plan: Nothing further to Report.
- 21.248 Climate and Ecological Emergency Support Group: Cllr. Duckworth had attended the last Meeting of this Group. The Clerk had circulated the minutes to Councillors prior to the Meeting for information.

9. To consider Planning Applications received

21.249 There had been no plans and tree work applications received since the last meeting: Notification of Appeal: 6/2021/0332 25 Corfe Road, Stoborough: Remove side extension and replace with two storey side extension with dual pitched roof. Single storey rear Extension. Loft conversion with roof/dormer windows (For information only)

10. Correspondence and items for action and resolution

21.250 Langton Matravers Parish Council – Motion regarding the Dorset Council Planning Function: This item had been previously discussed Minute 21.240. It had been agreed to Support a request to Dorset Council that they reintroduce planning notices on sites and notifying neighbours when planning applications had been received.

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.251 <u>20's Plenty Campaign</u>: Dorset Council were reviewing their Policy relating to 20 mph Speed limits. The 20's Plenty Campaign had highlighted the approach from other Council's and asked Dorset Council to review their Policy. It would appear the Villages in neighbouring had adopted the lower speed limits.

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.252 Resilient Fund: The Clerk reported that this Fund was now open for applications. It would be one of the Grants to be pursued to enable the Resilience Hub proposals to be completed by the Parish Council.

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.253 Purbeck Transport Action Group: Dorset Council had not been successful in their bid for funding to improve transport facilities for the County

ACTION: THE CLERK

- 21.254 Dorset Climate Action Network Great Big Dorset Hedge Campaign: Cllr. Duckworth reported on the work being achieved for connecting hedgerows in the County and improving wildlife mobility. The Climate Action Group was working with farmers and others to achieve this improvement throughout the County.
- 21.255. Benefits of Environmental Stations Eco Green Communities: The Clerk reported on the Facilities available to improve dog fouling/littering problems. The meeting noted the

Information.

21.256 The Planet Purbeck Festival: 16th – 25th September, 2022: Cllr. Duckworth reported on The proposals to launch this event via Zoom and the opening and closing events being held In Corfe and Swanage respectively. Further details were available from the Planet Purbeck Website.

11. Correspondence received since the agenda was set

21.257 Purbeck Art Week: The Clerk had received a request from the organiser of the Purbeck Art Week for a Banner to be erected adjacent to the Village Green prior to this event At Stoborough Village Hall. No objection was raised.

ACTION: THE CLERK

21.258 Wareham Health Hub: The Chair recommended that the Parish Council supports an approach to the newly appointed CEO of Dorset Health Care asking for the decision not to proceed with the proposed Health Hub at the former middle school site in Wareham to be reconsidered.

The proposal was unanimously supported as the proposed Hub would bring together a range of health providers for the benefit of the area.

ACTION: THE CHAIR

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 19th May, 2022 at 7pm Stoborough Village Hall