



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARNE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 18th AUGUST 2022
AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

Present: Cllrs: R. Bessant; I. Church; I. Duckworth; J. Ives; A. Patrick; M. Simms and V. Ward

Chair: Cllr S. Cranshaw

Clerk: Mr. E. Macknamara

Also Present: Cllr. B. Ezzard (Dorset Council) and 5 members of the public,

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- **Planning Application No. 2022/04771** : Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge: Erection of 2 detached dwellings with associated access and parking:
A resident was present to put forward an objection to this application on the grounds of the density of the proposed development and the affect on the surrounding properties. It was felt that the parking arrangements were inadequate and would lead to additional on road parking. Problems with drainage was also raised, The Parish Council was asked to support objections to this application.
- **A351 Road Noise and surfacing:** A resident asked the Parish Council to support a request to Dorset Council regarding the road noise due to the surfacing of the A352. There had been an increase in traffic along this road and an increase in the speed of vehicles. This made it unsafe for pedestrians and residents nearby had to shut their windows. The Parish Council was asked to support a request to Dorset Council to remedy these problems. Cllr. Ezzard asked to be kept informed.
- **Maintenance of the Hayricks and Stoborough Meadow:** Concern was expressed regarding the current maintenance levels of the Hayricks and Stoborough Meadow and whilst it was accepted that the land was in the ownership of the Parish Council it was suggested that the standard and frequency of maintenance should be considered when preparing the tender for ongoing maintenance.

In particular the following issues were raised:

- a) Maintaining the hedges along FP 11 (It was explained that these hedges were on Parish Council land).
- b) The treatment of weeds along adopted highway.
- c) The number of cuts proposed for the green spaces was excessive.
- d) That the Council should consider a no mow policy for the month of May.

The Chair explained that the Council were reviewing the ongoing maintenance these areas and that the suggestions raised at the meeting would be considered as the details were finalised. The details would be reported to a future meeting for further discussion.

It was also noted that the Parish Council's address of the Registered Title should be updated

1. Declaration of Interests

22.71 Cllr. A. Patrick declared an interest in Planning Application 2022/04771. No other declarations of interest were made.

2. To receive apologies for absence

22.72 Cllr. R. Holloway (Dorset Council) had sent apologies.

3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st July 2022

22.73 A copy of the minutes had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. It was proposed and seconded that minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 21st July, 2022 be agreed as a true and accurate representation of the meeting and signed by the Chair. Agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes at the meeting..

4. Matters arising – for report only

22.74 There were no matters arising from the minutes which had not been included for discussion on the main agenda for the meeting.

5. Dorset Councillor’s Report

22.75 Cllr. Ezzard read her report to the meeting. The report had been circulated to all Members of the Parish Council prior to the meeting.

6. To confirm the payment of accounts

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The following payments were presented for payment:

| Invoice Date | Payee | Description | Pay Ref | Amount |
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| | | | | £ |
| 19 th August 2022 | E. Macknamara | Clerk’s Salary/Expenses | B A C S 21 | 476.00 |
| 19 th August 2022 | HMRC | PAYE | B A C S 22 | 115.00 |
| 22 nd August, 2022 | WE and HK Rispin | Ex Gratia Payment – Watering | B A C S 23 | 50.00 |
| | | | TOTAL | 641.00 |
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The Clerk also presented a report on the current bank balances and a summary of the Receipts and Payments to 31st July, 2022

7. **22.77 Renewal of the Council’s Insurance Policy:** The Parish Council’s Insurance Policy had been renewed. The level of the Public Liability and the cover for Parish Council

equipment would now be reviewed and amended as necessary.

8. **22.78 Reserves and Balances:** The Clerk had circulated a report regarding the level of Reserves and balances held by the Council. The report was noted.

22.79 Asset Register: The Clerk had circulated the current Asset Register for review. A number of amendments were proposed which would be incorporated into a revised Register and circulated to the next meeting for further discussion.

ACTION: THE CLERK

9. **22.80 Review of the Parish Council's Website:**

The Clerk had contacted "My Parish Council" website and details of costings and content had been confirmed. A presentation via Zoom was available and it was agreed that arrangements be made for an online meeting to which all Councillors would be invited.

ACTION: THE CLERK

10. **22.81 Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces Contract:**

A draft of a proposed tender document had been circulated prior to the meeting. In view of comments made during the Public Participation at the commencement of the meeting it was agreed that this matter be deferred to enable the matter to be reconsidered and the comments made taken into account. A further report would be made to the next meeting.

ACTION: THE CHAIR

22.82 The Hayricks – Watering during the dry hot period: A local resident had assisted with the watering of the planting at The Hayricks during then recent hot dry period. The water had been supplied from his residence and it was suggested that an ex-gratia payment should be made to him to cover the additional cost of the metered supply to his house.

RESOLVED: That an ex gratia payment of £50 be made to the resident concerned and Included in the list of payments to be made (Minute 22.76)

It was noted that any future watering would be done with the use of a Bowser.

11. **To consider any defects for passing on to the Lengthsman**

22.83 Nothing to add at this stage.

12. **The Moors at Arne Project:**

22.84 The report received from an hydrologist had been circulated prior to the meeting.

This Report raised a number of questions which would need to be addressed when the planning application had been validated. Once the application had been validated it would be available online via the Dorset Council website.

13. **Resilience Hub:**

22.85 A meeting would be arranged to discuss the Resilience Plan and future arrangements.

ACTION: THE CHAIR /
CLLRWARD

14. Parish Reports

22.86 Councillors' Reports on meetings attended

No reports were made in respect of the following:

Stoborough Village Hall, Furzebrook Village Hall, Stoborough Meadow Residents Association; Ridge Residents Association; the Stoborough Primary School; Wareham Joint Burial Board:

22.87 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Hayricks: Cllr. Sims reported that temporary repairs had been made to the Witches Hat in the play area. The cost of replacement made this repair an effective solution but the situation would be monitored.

A damaged branch on a crab apple tree had been removed and would now hopefully survive. The quotes to widen the chicane would be discussed at the next meeting.

The Clerk would remind the Lengthsman to submit his quote.

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| ACTION: THE CLERK |
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22.88 Memorial Tree Planting: Following permission being given for a second memorial tree it was agreed that the number permitted should be limited and an area allocated for this purpose. The responsibility for maintaining such trees would be the person requesting permission.

22.89 Dorset Local Plan and Purbeck Local Plan: The Clerk had circulated the latest Letter to Councillor Flowers (Dorset Council) from the Dorset Deserves Better Campaign regarding the Dorset Local Plan. It had also been suggested that the Purbeck Local Plan should be combined into one document with the Dorset Local Plan.

Cllr. Ezzard explained that it was now hoped that work on the Dorset Local Plan would be Completed by 2024. The Purbeck Local Plan was the only Plan in place at present and may be incorporated into the Dorset Local Plan as work progressed.

15. To consider Planning Applications received

22.90 The following applications were considered:

2022/04529 Erect a first storey extension with balcony at 21 Furzebrook Road BH20 5DD
No objection

2022/04771 Erection of 2 detached dwellings with associated access and parking at Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge BH20- 5BH. The Parish Council would support the concerns of local residents concerning the density of the proposed development, the affect on the character of the area and the drainage concerns.

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| ACTION: THE CLERK |
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16. Correspondence and items for action and resolution

22.91 A351 Road Noise and Surfacing – Highway Improvement Request:
Members discussed the issues raised during the Public Participation Period and agreed
That this matter be referred to Dorset Council Highway requesting that they consider
This matter under their Highway Improvements Schemes Policy

ACTION: THE CLERK

22.92 20 is Plenty Campaign: The Clerk had circulated the latest Newsletter from this
Campaign group and the current work being undertaken by Dorset Council.

22.93 Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils – Annual General Meeting to be
Held on Saturday, 19th November, 2022 (venue to be confirmed):
The Council’s representatives would be advised when the final details were available
regarding this meeting.

The Clerk reported that the meeting would discuss the decision of Dorset Council regarding
the withdrawal site planning notices and notification letters to neighbouring properties. A
growing number of Town/Parish Councils had raised their concerns regarding this decision
by Dorset Council.

22.94 The Volunteer Centre: It was agreed that details of the work undertaken by this
Group be added to the Council’s website.

ACTION: THE CLERK/CLLR.
SIMS

22.95 Wareham Relief in Need and Sickness Charity: The Charity had requested that the
Parish Council re-appoint a representative.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. A. Patrick be appointed AS the Council’s representative to this Charity.

ACTION: THE
CLERK

17. Correspondence received since the Agenda was set:

22.96 Wareham Town Council: A letter had been received from Wareham Town Council
regarding trees opposite the Priory which they believed was in the Parish of Arne. The
complaints related to the size of the trees and blocking the view and may become dangerous if
the fell or became diseased. Although the exact location of the trees wasn’t clear it was
thought that the trees belonged to the Priory and it would be their responsibility to deal with
this issue.

ACTION: THE
CLERK

22.97 Tour of Britain – Stage 7 Cycle Race: The Clerk would circulate to all Members of
The Council details of this event taking place on Saturday, 10th September, 2022.

ACTION: THE
CLERK

18. 22.98 Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman for discussion only

Dorset Wildlife Trust: The Clerk was asked to invite a representative from the DWT to
The next meeting to discuss the finance provided by Imery's

ACTION: THE
CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:35pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday, 15th September, 2022 commencing at 7pm Stoborough
Village Hall.