

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF ARNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022 FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL COMMECING AT 6.55PM

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

**Chair:** Cllr S Cranshaw

Clerk: Mr. E Macknamara

**Also Present:** 2 members of the public,

#### PUBCLIC PARTICIPATION:

A Resident asked for an update on the chicane at the Hayricks which was difficult to negotiate due to the narrow width. Cllr. Sims explained that quotes were being obtained to widen the width to make it easier for all users. 3 quotes would be obtained for consideration by the Council.

#### 1. Declaration of Interests

22.01 No interests were declared at this stage and no requests for dispensation had been received.

#### 2. To receive apologies for absence

22.02 Apologies had been received from Dorset Cllrs Beryl Ezzard and Ryan Holloway.

#### 3. To Elect a Chairman

22.03 Cllr Patrick nominated Cllr Cranshaw for the role. This was seconded by Cllr Bessant and agreed unanimously. Cllr Cranshaw accepted and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

## 4. To Elect a Vice Chairman

22.04 Cllr Bessant nominated Cllr Patrick for the role. This was seconded by Cllr Sims and agreed unanimously. Cllr Patrick accepted and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

## 5. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st April 2022

22.05 A copy of the minutes had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting.

It was proposed and seconded that minutes be agreed as a true and accurate representation of the meeting and signed by the Chairman. Agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes at the meeting..

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## 6. Matters arising – for report only

22.06 WEB SITE MEETING: (21.211) The meeting to review the content and layout of the current website had not yet taken place but would be arranged as soon as possible.

Cllrs: Cranshaw, Duckworth, Patrick, Sims and The Clerk would attend the meeting. A further report would be made to the next meeting.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/ CLERK

22.07 STOBOROUGH MEADOW AND OPEN SPACES CONTRACT (21.238) A Draft Tender Document would be prepared for consideration at the next meeting.

ACTION: THE CLERK

22.08 Lengthsman (21.221) The Lengthsman had been asked to quote for the maintenance of the overgrown willows at the allotment site and to make safe the Oak tree at the Hayricks. The Clerk also reported that he had asked for a quote to remove the remaining section of the Dog Bin (now redundant) at Sunnyside, Ridge. These quotes were awaited.

ACTION: THE CLERK

22.09 ARNE ALLOTMENTS (21.245) The Scott Estate had been asked if they would agree to the Parish Council extending the allotments on land in their ownership. However, a reply had not been received.

ACTION: THE CHAIR

22.10 PLANNING FUNCTION (21.250) Dorset Council had been asked to resume posting Notices of Planning Applications at the application site but a reply had not been received. Cllr David Walsh (Portfolio Holder for Planning) would be asked to consider this request.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/CLERK

- 22.11 RESILIENCE FUND (SSE) The Resilience Fund was open for further applications.
- 22.12 PURBECK TRANSPORT PLAN (21.253) It was agreed that Dorset Council should be asked to give an update on their Transport Plan following their unsuccessful Bid to the Government.

ACTION: THE CLERK

- 22.13 PURBECK ARTS WEEK (21.257) The Banner was now being displayed.
- 22.14 WAREHAN HEALTH HUB (21.258) A letter had been sent to the CEO at Dorset Health Care regarding the recommendation not to have a Health Hub at the former Middle School Site at Wareham requesting that this be reconsidered. A reply had not been received. The matter would be pursued further.

ACTION: THE CHAIR
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# 7. Dorset Councillor's Report

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22.15 A copy of Cllr Holloways's report had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. The Report was received

# 8. To confirm the payment of accounts

# 22.16 To confirm the Payment of Accounts

The following payments were presented for payment:

Invoice Date	Payee	Description	Pay Ref	Amount
				£
10 <sup>th</sup> May,2022	AJ Gallagher Insurance	Annual	BACS 3	1395.05
	Brokers	Insurance		
19 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	E Macknamara	Clerk's Pay	BACS 4	597.07
		Stationery		
		May 2022		
19th May 2022	HMRC	PAYE/NI	BACS 5	115.00
16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Dorset Association of	Annual	BACS 6	509.93
	Town and Parish Councils	Subscription		
10 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Wareham Area Men's	Notice Board	BACS 7	50.00
	Shed	Repair		
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Scott Estate	Allotment	BACS 8	72.00
2022		Rent		
			TOTAL	2739.05

## 9. Parish Reports

## 22.17 <u>Councillors' Reports on meetings attended</u>

No meetings had been attended since the April meeting on the 21<sup>tST</sup>April.

# 22.18 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

<u>Hayricks</u> – Cllr. Sims reported that the Memorial Tree was not in good health despite being watered. The Contractor who had provided the tree had been asked to replace it. A local resident had volunteered to water the replacement tree.

The Dog Bags had now all been used and the dispenser needed to be filled. More bags should be ordered.

ACTION: THE C	CLERK

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Trees: The trees opposite Nos. 19 and 23 required cutting back. Cllr. Sims had reminded the Contractor.

Cllr Duckworth had also contacted the Contractor about outstanding Hedge Work needed and mowing along the hedge line.

ACTION: CLLRS SIMS/DUCKWORTH

<u>Allotments</u> – Nothing to report. The Council was asked whether it might be possible to consider providing a water supply.

<u>SANG</u> – Cllr. Ward reported that the site was growing well.

## 10. To consider Planning Applications received

22.19 The following application was considered:

P/HOU/2022/02037 Gooseacres Puddletown Road, Wareham, BH20 – Infill rear extension and front dormer. NO OBJECTION.

# 11. Correspondence and items for action and resolution

## 22.20 To agree the Annual Governance Statement

A copy of the Statement had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement be approved.. This was seconded by Cllr Bessant and agreed unanimously. The Statement will be signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

## 22.21 To agree the Accounting Statement for the year ended 31st March 2022

A copy of the full set of accounts had been circulated to all members prior to the start of the meeting and agreed unanimously. RESOLVED That the Accounting Statement be approved and signed by the Chairman and RFO.

ACTION: THE CLERK/RFO

## 22.22 The Internal Auditor

The Council's Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 2022 would be submitted for Audit during the week commencing 23rd May, 2022.

#### 22.23 To confirm the insurance for the coming year

The premium for the coming year would be £1395.05 through AJ Gallagher Insurance Brokers. RESOLVED; That the insurance renewal be accepted.

## 22.24 <u>To confirm the Standing Order and Financial Regulations</u>

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A copy of the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations had been circulated to all members prior to the start of the meeting. The Clerk reported that amendments to the Model Standing Orders were expected and would be reported to the next Meeting. RESOLVED: That the Council further review the Standing Orders at the next meeting.

ACTION: THE CLERK

#### 22.25 To review and confirm the Risk Assessment

A copy of the Assessment had been circulated to all members prior to the start of the meeting. The Risk Assessment would be amended so that references to "Purbeck District Council" would be amended to "Dorset Council".

RESOLVED: The subject to the above amendments the Risk Assessment be approved.

# 22.26 To review and confirm the Asset Register

A copy of the current Asset Register had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. A number of amendments had been proposed by Cllr. Ward which had been circulated to all Members prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the review of the Asset Register be deferred until the next meeting so that the proposed amendments can be incorporated where appropriate.

- 22.27 Representation on External Bodies 2022-23
  - RESOLVED: That the Parish Council's representation on external bodies be amended and Adopted as set out in Appendix A.
- 22.28 Review of Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces Contract: The Review had been discussed earlier in the meeting (22.07)
- 22.29 Use of the Wareham Community Space (Wareham Folk Harvest): No objection was raised to the use of the Wareham Community Space by the Wareham Folk Harvest.

## 12. To consider any defects for passing on to the Lengthsman

22.30 Nothing to add at this stage.

## 13. Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman for discussion only

Additional Items considered urgent by the Chairman: Cllr. Duckworth asked that the meeting consider the impact of the proposed Incinerator at Portland which would affect the Areas down wind of the site and also the traffic implications in the surrounding areas. The proposal may reduce landfill but would see an increase in incinerated waste from areas outside Dorset and would have an impact on the carbon footprint and be injurious to health of residents. Proposals to consider more recycling should be considered.

There had also been a proposal for an Incinerator at the former Concrete Site in Puddletown Road and all such proposals should be resisted.

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Swanage Town Council had objected to the proposal at Portland and the Council was asked to support this objection.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Dorset Council objecting to the proposed Incinerator at Portland on the grounds of pollution and emissions injurious to the surrounding area and the increased traffic movements through the County. Increased recycling facilities should be considered as an alternative.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:24pm

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