



Parish of Arne

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2014 AT THE STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL, WEST LANE, STOBOROUGH COMMENCING 7.00pm

- Present:** Cllrs A Pellegrini, V Ward, A Wakefield-Sutton, D Hunter, R Scragg
- Chair:** Cllr C Macleod
- Clerk:** Mrs A Crocker
- Also Present:** 12 members of the public, County Cllr M Lovell, District Cllr B Kenward

1. Declaration of Interests

15/60 The Chairman asked councillors for any Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on items contained in the agenda applicable to themselves or spouse/partner. There were none declared.

2. To receive apologies for absence

15/61 Apologies had been received from Cllr R Bessant (holiday), R Scragg (meeting).

3. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th July 2014

15/62 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all councillors prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Hunter suggested the following amendments:

1st para, 2nd line "cyclists and motorists sharing a common road-way".

2nd para, 2nd sentence should read "PCSO Luke Taylor"

Item 5, 2nd para remove sentence contained "the White Stuff" as it is now understood that this is not the company carrying out the work.

With these amendments made, Cllr Hunter proposed them to be a true and accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Pellegrini and agreed unanimously. The minutes were signed by the Chairman in the presence of the meeting.

4. Matters Arising – for report only

15/63 Pothole in Furzebrook Road – this has now been repaired but may be subsiding again and will have to be re-reported. Cllr Ward will do so. **ACTION: CLLR WARD**

Slepe Farm – Cllrs Hunter and Pellegrini visited the site to see the work that is being carried out. The old farm house has been demolished and a 6 bedroom house is being erected. The outbuildings are being preserved and modified to meet the owner's requirements. Cllr Pellegrini reported that it is going to be a family home and the site manager was very pleased to show councillors around.

19:06 Cllr Scragg arrived.

The Sunnyside notice board – S Syrett has this in hand.

Bike ramps – to be put forward on to the October agenda.

Welcome to Purbeck sign – the 2 gentleman proposing the sign have asked to have a meeting. Cllr Lovell reported that it was his understanding that they have still not found all of the money for the signs. Cllr Hunter suggested meeting on Monday 22nd, 11am – Cllrs Macleod, Hunter and Scragg will attend, together with Cllr Wakefield-Sutton. The Clerk will put the date forward and contact the councillors when confirmed. **ACTION: CLERK**

Post box – a letter has now been sent to English Heritage and a copy of the letter passed to Mr Neville-Jones.

The councillors' details are now on the web site and a copy will be put onto the notice boards. Cllr Pellegrini will undertake to print them off in A5 format, laminate them and distribute them. **ACTION: CLLR PELLEGRINI**

To move the bus-stop to the layby – Since the last meeting, DCC have contacted those residents living in the vicinity of the layby. They have all responded saying they do not want the bus stop moved. Reasons given were: the bus stop, in its present position, slows vehicles down as they travel past the school; to move the bus stop would reduce still further the available parking spaces; the bus stop is used infrequently. The suggested response from Dorset Highways was read out by the Clerk and councillors agreed the letter should be sent. The Clerk will contact Mr Walker of DCC Highways asking him to go ahead and issue the letter to Mr Weeks. **ACTION: CLERK**

It had been decided after the July meeting, via e-mail, that Mr James and Mr Hale would receive the suggested letter read out at the meeting and Cllr Hunter would speak to them both personally. Unfortunately, Mr James did not receive the letter and Cllr Hunter had not planned to speak to him. The Clerk has re-issued the letter today but Cllr Hunter suggested a face to face meeting would be appropriate. Cllr Pellegrini felt that his issue with the Parish Council is now with regard to poor governance rather than the loss of trees and his complaint should be dealt with on a personal level. Cllrs Hunter and Pellegrini will liaise and arrange to meet him after the 4th October. The Clerk will send an e-mail to Mr James saying that we would

like to meet him but unfortunately it will be after the 4th October due to holiday commitments.

ACTION: CLLRS HUNTER/PELLEGRINI/CLERK

Cllr Hunter requested that the minutes are sent in draft within one week of the meeting to allow councillors the chance to follow up any action. This was agreed by Cllr Pellegrini and supported by all councillors. The Clerk suggested sending the minutes out in draft to which the councillors can then send any amendments or omissions. Actions will then be included as post meeting notes when the minutes are made available to the public.

ACTION: CLERK

5. Public Participation Period

15/64/1 Parking at Stoborough Green – becoming more of an issue. The white line on the corner by the dipped kerb has never been put in. The Police attended the site last week and issued letters to all residents, as well as leafleting all vehicles. They have said they will ticket cars parked within 10m of the junctions and those who do not live in the area will not be allowed to park on the site. Mr Love asked why Stoborough Green was being specifically targeted when similar parking took place elsewhere in the parish but letters had not been issued to those residents. He asked the Parish Council to arrange a meeting with PDC, County Council, Synergy Housing and the Police. The bays at the garages were supposed to be free parking for anyone living on the estate but the properties near them believe it to be their parking only. Cllr Lovell and Cllr Kenward will also be invited to attend the meeting. The Police will be contacted in the first instance to determine why they have issued this letter, without seemingly considering the consequences. Mr Love asked, if a meeting is arranged for Stoborough Green, could the residents please be told.

ACTION: CLERK

15/64/2 A query was raised regarding the proposed housing behind the garage on Corfe Road. This area was originally a sump which regularly flooded. It has since been filled in and the willow trees cut down. In addition, staff from the garage are now parking their cars at the end of the lane, on SSI land – up to 6 cars a day. Cllr Kenward reported that, as regards cutting down the trees, there is a prosecution underway. She is unaware that they are taking advantage of parking on land that they should not be on and she will contact the planning enforcement officer. Although the site was put forward as a SHLAA, it had been rejected as a wet site and is not being considered as a possible building site. Mr Wood added that the staff parking being moved from the back of the garage to the lane means they drive right past their front door, make exiting the house quite dangerous on occasion.

ACTION: CLLR KENWARD

Post meeting note: Cllr Kenward attended the field behind the garage at 9am on the 19th September to confirm the facts. A car was parked in the field area and access had been via the private drive of the inhabitants of neighbouring houses. With the consent of the neighbours, Cllr Kenward visited the garage and explained to the Manager that they were using an access that did not belong to them and parking on an area that should be green space. The car was removed within 10 minutes and the neighbours will inform Cllr Kenward should there be any further breach. At that point, Cllr Kenward would enlist the support of PDC officers but she has not done so to date as the matter seems resolved and the officers might consider the use of the access to be a civil matter and not one for PDC.

15/64/3 Sunnyside notice board – in need of repair and the village hall board is also still waiting to be replaced. Another reminder will be sent to S Syrett. This and the Lookout board are becoming very urgent.

ACTION: CLERK

15/64/4 Mr Cake asked if the Parish Council could bring some pressure to bear on the RSPB and Highways to cut back the overgrowth on the corner of Furzebrook and Corfe Road. Cllr Lovell reported that, for the fourth time, he has been promised that the trees will be cut back this week. He is also trying to get the gorse cut back along the road. Mr Love asked if there was any accountability if the work is not done. Cllr Lovell said all he can do is keep asking.

ACTION: CLLR LOVELL

15/64/5 The footpath round the by-pass is impassable in places with both the trees and the undergrowth coming over the path. The Clerk will report this via D4U. It has also been suggested that a dog bin should be put down the bottom of Old Furzebrook Road. This will not be pursued until the DWT consultation has been finalised.

ACTION: CLERK

15/64/6 Mr Wood asked if it would be possible to see a sample of the flood barriers purchased by the Parish Council in conjunction with EA. Cllr Ward suggested a meeting between residents to discuss storage, etc of the barriers and to decide, if there is a flood, where to put the barriers. At the same time, it is necessary to extend the number of Flood Wardens and Cllr Ward will be putting up posters requesting help. Cllr Ward will be meeting with Stephen Mepham regarding road signage which will be better than in previous years but, again, these will need to be stored somewhere nearby. Cllr Ward will arrange a suitable date to meet with the residents.

ACTION: CLLR WARD

15/64/7 Mr Neville-Jones asked if the council, in conjunction with Anvil, could investigate the willows on the south side of the Hayricks with a view to having them coppiced. The Clerk reported that this is in hand.

15/64/8 Debbie Walker extended her thanks to the Parish Council and particularly Cllr Ward for all the work regarding the flooding, but is it possible to do something about clearing the ditches especially those alongside the causeway. Cllr Lovell reported that the EA are not attending meetings regarding the clearing of the main rivers. Cllr Hunter reported that he has been in discussions with John Scott of WDDT and the EA on how to protect the tow path. Vegetation clearance has taken place and the channel running alongside the tow path is scheduled to be cleared next month but this has been temporarily prevented by a family of nesting voles. It will now be cleared in April next year. Cllr Ward reported that she had heard a camera has been put through the tidal flap at Redcliffe and it is all clear. Mrs Wood suggested that the drainage holes along the causeway are blocked up this time of year with growth and litter. It would help if they were cleared of growth now, rather than wait until later in the year. It is understood that this has been done recently.

15/64/9 Mr Ricks reported that the EA are planning on allowing the fields to flood – Ridge Farm. Cllr Scragg asked if it was possible to invite the EA to a meeting to explain what is happening rather than listening to hearsay. We will try, but if they are not attending District Council meetings, this may prove difficult.

6. County Councillor's Report

15/65 Cllr Lovell reported that the number 40 bus will continue on through the winter in the evenings but people must use it. Some of the Sunday buses are to be removed, if they have not already done so. It is a commercial service so the company is within their rights to remove it after giving some notice.

7. District Councillor's Report

15/66 Cllr Kenward reported that there is a review of gypsy sites underway but there are none in the Purbecks. She expressed concern over the dichotomy between environmental and social well-being within the area. A group is being established to look at whether the Purbecks require looking at in a different way to other areas in the county as it is so much unlike those areas. With this in mind, she has taken a senior planning officer out around the area looking at various sites.

Cllr Kenward expressed her concerns over the Slepe Farm development and will be looking into this.

ACTION: CLLR KENWARD

Perenco – there is talk on the well at the back of Little Farm starting again – it is 900m in depth – well site D.

The district council are looking at their method of governance with a view to altering the monthly meetings and having 6 weekly meetings – 2 groups; environmental and social and these will report back to council. She will be voting against this new proposal.

Mr Ricks reported that, on a recent drive, they came upon a security guard who informed them that the new well on the Arne Road has not met expectations and the main shareholder has withdrawn. In addition, the production from the Kimmeridge well has dropped. Cllr Scragg said that, following his evening meeting with Perenco, the Kimmeridge well is running perfectly. Regarding the Arne Road site, there is an issue with a faulty pump so there will be additional vehicles along the road but these will be reported.

8. To Consider Items for Discussion/Report

15/67 Results of planning applications submitted to County / District Council

Non-Delegated – 6/2014/0311

**Stoborough Croft, Grange Road
Erect external timber staircase inc.
balcony; remove existing staircase & form
new porch**

Agreed

No objections

6/12/0571-0609

**Wytch Farm, Wareham & Kimmeridge Oilfields
To enable extension of operational life of oilfield development
through the variation of a condition attached to an existing
permission.**

Agreed *The Parish Council is pleased to see efforts are being made to maintain the bridleways and footpath access. We would prefer to see a minimum quantity of duckboards as these are not in keeping. We would imagine that Perenco will be giving money to support local infrastructure, as has been the case with other developers, and we would expect to be consulted as to what these monies might be put towards.*

Navitus Bay – Cllr Lovell reported that there will be a report coming out from County regarding the pros and cons of the consultation and this will be sent to all the parish councils in due course.

**6/2014/0303 Wayside, Arne Road
Ground floor extension & alterations to
form first floor accommodation**

Agreed *No objections*
Approved

**6/2014/0346 Worgret Farm, Wareham (wellsite C)
Drilling of 2 additional conventional wells**

Agreed *No objection*

**TWA/2014/0109 The Meerings, Arne Road, Ridge
Crown reduction of oak trees**

Cllr Scragg declared an interest and did not pass comment on this application.

Agreed *No objection but defer to the knowledge of the Tree Officer*
Split decision - G2 group of trees overhanging western boundary of No2 –
reduce entire crowns by 2m retaining form & shape – **Refused**
– would be detrimental to the health of the trees.
- G1 oaks overhanging western boundary of Meerings Barn
& Brenhindy – crown reduce by 2m on Meerings side only –
Granted

**6/2014/0392 28 Stoborough Meadows
Construct rear porch**

Agreed *No objection*
Approved

**6/2014/0398 Worgret Manor
Create new openings to facilitate doorway
and 2 new windows to form new kitchen**

Agreed *No objection but, as this is a listed building, we will abide by the
decision of the Listed Buildings Officer*
Not determined

**6/2014/0405 Grand View, Worgret
Demolition of existing store/garage and
erection of replacement building**

Agreed
Not determined

No objection. The proposal enhances the existing building

**6/2014/0408 Pound Cottage, Corfe Road
Alterations & additions to provide lounge,
bedroom & bathroom with repositioned car
parking**

Agreed
Approved

No objection

15/68 Representatives' Reports on meetings attended since the last meeting

Stoborough Village Hall – nothing to report. Next meeting will be at the beginning of October.

Furzebrook Village Hall – all going well.

Stoborough Meadow – nothing to report.

Ridge Residents- meeting held recently. One issue raised was the RSPB event which will be a cheese and wine evening.

Cllr Pellegrini - Standards Board discussed the Nolan clause re objectivity, but the main point was the right of anyone in the public gallery to record or film the proceedings of future council meetings. This will be included on the October agenda. PDC are hoping to make recording equipment available for use by parish councils. As the parish council liaison with Stoborough Primary school, Cllr Pellegrini reported that the free school meals are going well and take up is positive. The sports provision continues to go from strength to strength but there is insufficient room for training. The school has achieved some very good key stage 2 results and the Purbeck School has had their best GCSE results ever this year. The Primary School would like to go on the waiting list for an allotment. Mr Love asked if anything had been said about the junction with West Lane and Corfe Road. Cllr Pellegrini replied saying this is being consulted on within the parish survey.

Cllr Ward – attended the LiCCO meeting. Wareham Joint Burial Committee – the Connegar Lane site won the Best Kept Cemetery award. The trees have been pruned and the dead ones removed. A structural report is awaited on the wall. Hill view – new trees have been planted. Ditch at Stoborough Green will be cleared out. Flooding at the garages – back to square one on this as a new person has taken over at Synergy and can find none of the information originally sent out. Culvert under bypass just after the pedestrian gate on to the heath needs clearing. Cllr Lovell will investigate and the Clerk will report it via PEM.

Cllr Scragg – attended a LiCCO (Living with a Changing Coastline) meeting at which 4 members of Stoborough School gave a presentation. The LiCCO project is coming to a conclusion soon.

At the Perenco Liaison meeting, the £1.7mill mitigation fund was mentioned with an agreement between DCC and Perenco estimated now to be arrived at in early 2015.

Cllrs Wakefield-Sutton – Hayricks review. Many of the things previously reported are still as they were. The grass cutting and hedge trimming have been extensive. 2 residents commented on the boules pitch. This is being put back in the hands of the Stoborough Meadow residents. It was suggested that perhaps the area could be given to the school as an allotment or raised beds.

Cllr Macleod reminded members that a rota for reviewing the Hayricks was set up but is not being adhered to. Cllr Pellegrini is scheduled to do the 4th week but will be away this month – Cllr Macleod will carry out the September review in his place. The rota is:

- 1st week of each month Cllr Macleod
- 2nd week Cllr Wakefield-Sutton
- 3rd week Cllr Ward
- 4th week Cllr Pellegrini
- 5th week where appropriate the Clerk

A new list will be issued to all members. Cllr Kenward reported that she has handed her key to the Hayricks to Anvil Grounds Maintenance.

The Clerk reported that an invoice had been received from Dorset Works for cutting the Hayricks but it is believed that they have only done one cut this year and no agreement has been signed.

Cllr Hunter – WDDT.

Clerk – Clerks’ Seminar. Amongst the topics discussed was the community contribution being made by the developers of solar panel farms. Although negotiations should be carried out before the construction begins, the Clerk suggested writing to the developers of the Worgret Road Solar Farm to see if they would be willing to offer some community benefit. Cllr Hunter and the Clerk will liaise and draft an appropriate letter.

ACTION: CLLR HUNTER/CLERK

15/69 To consider if actions are required

- Letter re solar farm
- Stoborough Green parking
- Recording of meetings – draft minutes/ electronic signature. Cllr Scragg will look into how to reproduce a signature at the bottom of the minutes before they are posted on to the web site.
- Reminder to be issued to all councillors regarding the Hayricks inspections.

15/70 Web site update

Some routine updates have been carried out and the Neighbourhood Plan information and survey are also up to date.

9. To consider any PLANNING APPLICATIONS received

15/72 *Non- Delegated*

Delegated

**6/2014/0429 Little Farm, Worgret Road
Removal on condition 8 – convert 2 agricultural barns into
2 holiday letting units (to remove restriction of holiday
use only)**

Agreed

No objections

**6/2014/0430 Worgret View, Puddletown Road
Proposed variation of condition 3 – retain residential caravan
(renewal) (to remove temporary time limit)**

Agreed

No objections

**TWA/2014/0152 29 Corfe Rd, Stoborough
Eucalyptus – fell; Spruce – fell; replace both trees with hawthorn**

Agreed

No objections

**TWA/2014/0147 27 Corfe Rd, Stoborough
Eucalyptus – fell**

Agreed

No objections

**TWA/2014/0159 33 Arne Rd
Reduce entire crowns of oaks overhanging Brenhindy &
Meerings Barn by 2m**

Agreed

No objections

**TWS/2014/0163 Even Keel, Arne Rd
Fell cherry tree**

Agreed

No objections

Received after the agenda was issued:

**6/2014/0468 Stoborough Primary School
Proposed stand-alone swimming pool changing rooms**

Agreed

No objection in principle but concern was expressed regarding the surface water run-off. The proposal is for this to be disposed of via the existing water course but we would like to see some thought given to recycling the water rather than adding to potential flooding hazards in this area.

10. Correspondence/items for action and resolution

15/73 Clerk's Report

A copy had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. There were no additional comments to be made. Cllr Macleod reported that the Fire Service favour option 3 – to combine with Wiltshire & Swindon. She will forward her notes made at the recent DAPTC Exec meeting relating to this subject.

Salt bins and dumpy bags. The bins have been refilled but not very neatly and a letter will be sent to DCC asking them to rectify the mess made around the bins by spilt salt. There is still one untouched dumpy bag at Cllr Kenward's so another is not needed at this stage.

Fatal Road Traffic Collision – Cllr Pellegrini asked who would be responsible for taking the area that is being used as a memorial back to its normal condition. Cllr Kenward felt that the family are still grieving and new flowers are being regularly put there. Everything should be left for the time being.

DCA – sustainability appraisal – 29th September – to establish the level of interest in working together in the Purbecks. Mr Love will be attending and will report back.

15/74 Dispensations

None had been received.

15/75 DWT review

Cllr Kenward informed the meeting that she will be resisting the proposal to remove the dog bins. Stick and flick would be more beneficial than encouraging dog bags although it is accepted that it is necessary to choose which areas operate better with or without the bins carefully. The bins should be retained in the residential areas but the stick and flick approach in the more rural areas would be appropriate.

The Clerk explained that The Dorset Waste Partnership is currently consulting on street cleaning and litter. The main areas under consideration are:

- Street Cleaning: (excluding gully or drain clearance) villages will continue to be cleaned on an 8 weekly basis but the intention is to combine a reactive approach with the routine cleaning. The consultation seeks to identify local priorities and areas where the current level can be reduced and asking if councils would be willing to fund additional cleaning in specific areas.
- Litter and Dog bins: litter bins will be removed from remote locations and lay-bys. In their place, new signs will be erected asking the public to take their litter home. All dog waste bins will gradually be removed and dog-walkers encouraged to use the general litter bins for dog waste. Signage will be placed on the bins to advise that they can be used for both litter and dog waste. Additional litter bins may be needed at some sites, using wheeled bins instead of standard litter bins.

The Clerk will draft an objection and forward to members for comment before sending out.

ACTION: CLERK

RSPB – The question of the hidden cameras placed on the heath was raised and members asked if Dante Munns of the RSPB was aware of how many there were and that they were photographing people and dog walkers on the heaths. No signs are evident warning people of their presence. A letter should be sent to RSPB via Dante asking the question.

ACTION: CLERK

15/76 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Pellegrini reported that Newsletter 3 has been sent out and gave a summary of its content. This is available on the web site.

The survey has now been delivered, by hand, to every household in the parish and 59 have already been returned. This equates to about 10% and we continue to aim for a 40% return. Notices will be going on the parish notice boards reminding everyone to complete their surveys.

Cllr Kenward reported that she had given Anna Lee, PDC, a copy of the survey and she seemed impressed with it.

12th November – Stoborough Primary School – an evening is to be arranged for disseminating the results of the survey, subject to Robert Kenward being available. The steering group will meet on the 23rd October at the school.

15/77 To receive the accounts for the year ending 31st March 2014

The Clerk reported that the accounts have now been finalised and the invoice received. One omission was high-lighted and that was because no risk assessment had been carried out during the year. Although the play equipment is checked, a full risk assessment is required as part of the review of the effectiveness of internal controls. The Clerk will draw up a risk assessment and it will be reviewed before the year end.

15/78 To consider correspondence received since the Agenda was set for discussion and possibly placing on the agenda for the next meeting

A dog bin was requested for Sunnyside Road. It was agreed that nothing would be done until after the DWT consultation was complete and the recommendations known.

11. To consider payments of accounts

15/79 The following payments had been requested:

A Pellegrini	Refund re printer cartridge	455	12.99
Anvil Grd Maint	Hayricks July 2014	456	217.50
Mrs A Crocker	September wages + expenses	457	559.66
HMRC	September PAYE	458	96.80

BDO External audit fees Y/e 31.03.14 459 120.00

The total requested is £1,006.95

Cllr Wakefield-Sutton proposed the payments are made and this was seconded by Cllr Ward and agreed unanimously. The cheques were signed in the presence of the meeting.

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

15/80 Cllr Scragg – visibility splays at Ridge cross-roads and the finger post at Ridge. The Clerk will give the contractor a final request to carry out the work or we will arrange for someone else to do it.

ACTION: CLERK

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:34pm

Planning Committee meeting on the 2nd October 2014 if there are plans to discuss

The next meeting will be on the 16th October 2014 at 7.00pm, Stoborough Village Hall