

**WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL  
COVID 19 EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES 1 MARCH 2022**

Present, Chairman Cllr J Burden Vice Chairman Cllrs I Bugler, Cllrs C Melville, T Peacock, Mrs. C Vosper  
Mrs. L Hemmings

The resignation of Cllr Ron Woolford had been received. His continuous service to the Parish Council over some 10 years was noted with much appreciation. The Clerk was requested to contact Mr. Woolford with the thanks of the Council and the community generally for all the hard work and attention he had given to the affairs of the local community especially in Harman's Cross.

The PC formally agreed a letter from the Chairman to the Ukrainian Ambassador in London stating as follows  
Worth Matravers Parish Council would like to express its sympathy and support for your people of Ukraine who are experiencing such awful suffering at this time

Our thoughts and best wishes to your people go with you all.

Two members of the public and the Dorset Councillor were present.

Declaration of Interest 6b Chairman and Cllr Bugler,

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2750** A Worth resident set out the case for the PC to make a donation to the Purbeck film Festival costs. The Clerk responded that the policy was communicated that information need to be supplied in relation the Film Festival financial position especially as regards costs and reserves, The PC was informed that financial information for the previous year was not easily available due to the difficult CV 19 circumstances. As no decision was called for it was agreed further financial information would be provided in respect of the questions raised by the Clerk.

**2751** A second request was for the Worth Village Hall to be allowed as in previous years to man the car park for their day of their village fete on 8 June and retain the takings as a contribution towards the Village Hall funds. It was agreed that this be allowed with closure of the manned operation and a reversion to standard box collections to the PC after 2.00 pm. Cllrs Vosper would be working with Worth Village Hall committee to support celebrations for the Jubilee and the village centenary later this year. **Action** Clerk Cllr Vosper

**2752** A resident as a representative from the NCI Coastwatch firstly updated the PC on their wishes on how with a Beacon out at their watch station at St Aldhelm Head they proposed to celebrate the Queens forthcoming Jubilee celebration. The PC was not asked for financial support but to be a part of those celebrations and this was agreed. A second request was made towards the required £1800 per year funding of the retention of the existing defibrillator at this Coastwatch station. This was noted for further consideration for a donation contribution in future

The Public discussion period ended at 1955

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**2753** The draft Minute of 1 February 2022 was formally accepted by all Cllrs as proposed by Cllr Bugler and seconded by Cllr Vosper. It was signed with one addition of the declaration of interest at that meeting by the Chairman as an accurate record of their decisions and a summary of their communications. **Action** Clerk

**CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING**

**2754** The Outstanding Action Points arising from the last 1 February and previous PC Meetings briefings had been circulated and were noted. The Clerk gave an update where appropriate. **Action** Clerk

**2755** The Clerk was pleased to report the payment the long outstanding August 2021 £1907 invoice to SSE in respect of the damage caused to the CCTV connections in WMCP had now reportedly been received

## **DORSET COUNCIL ITEM**

**No items were raised**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**2756** Support from a local resident was given to the concern expressed at the last meeting by Cllr Vosper regarding speeding along the B3069.especially adjacent to Gallows Gore cottages. The resident reported from his regular dog walks along this section that is common to see cars doing what many would consider an unsafe speed along this road especially as workers arrive at the quarries for 7.30 and depart at 4.30 pm.

**2757** The Clerk responded that Cllr Vosper's complaint had already been filed with the Police without response to date and he would as requested notify the Quarry managers to seek their assistance regarding complaints received about excessive speeds by their own and workers vehicles. **Action Clerk**

**2758** The resident also reported concerns following a major coastguard incident at Chapmans Pool a few weeks ago. A couple of walkers from Poole had got stuck in the mud as they followed the newly installed public footpath signs that clearly direct people down to Chapmans Pool beach via the path adjacent to the stream and directly onto the most dangerous mud flow. He had helped release one of the walkers before calling the coastguard. He considered the new footpath signs wholly inappropriate at this time of the year, when that footpath is to all practical purposes unusable. It was agreed that a number of these issues lie wholly with Dorset Council Highways and the Clerk would formally raise them with the appropriate officer. **Action Clerk**

**2759** The PC also noted his concerns about peak parking and lack of off street capacity causing obstruction in the WM village area especially when the DC and PC car parks were full. It was agreed the PC car park extension would if the surface was suitable be generally available at all peak demand times **Action Clerk**

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**2760** The PC considered the Government consultation on the Glover Landscapes Review—and a specific representation from Green Lanes Environmental Action group to end recreational use of green lanes by recreational vehicles essentially motor cycles and 4 X 4's. and an opportunity to stop 'off-roading' in the Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Cllrs had some concerns about impeding legitimate vehicle use of these Green Lanes ( none of which are in WM parish) and foresaw some issues about differentiating essential farm access and other legitimate frontager vehicles from outsiders in recreational vehicles. The Clerk reported on the number of recommendations in this Glover Review which could be dealt with on reflection at the next meeting as the end date for consultation was the 9 April 2022.

**2761** The Clerk reported on recent issues raised with him in London Row where a new occupant had incorrectly claimed the off surface area opposite adjacent to Happy Cottage used cooperatively in the past by all London Row frontagers for loading and unloading was part of his demise. The Clerk confirmed this land was not registered to that property indeed was outstanding action for registration to the Parish Council. It was still officially part of the public highway on which summertime restrictions prevent any all daytime parking. If vehicles such as the large Range Rover currently present and the boat trailer continue to occupy this space as a permanent parking place action will be taken to seek parking enforcement action to remove them..

**2762** The Clerk brought to the attention of all Cllrs the pending road closure on the 7/8<sup>th</sup> March of the back road to Studland from Corfe Castle

## PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATION

**2763** P/HOU/2022/00846: Westmanton Weston Road Worth Matravers Swanage BH19 3LQ: Demolition of Tennis Court and construction of Garage, Swimming Pool and Pool House with associated landscaping. No comment

P/NMA/2022/00732: Dunshay Manor Harmans Cross BH19 3EB Non material amendment to Approved P/A 6/2021/0161 (Replacement of existing residential caravan with single storey dwelling) to change the pitch of the roof from North East to South West facing No objection

P/PABA/2022/00764 Purbeck Valley Farm Valley Road Harmans Cross Swanage BH20 5HU: The proposal is to erect a new agricultural building for the provision of fodder storage measuring approximately 30.48m x9.00m giving an area of 274m<sup>2</sup>. The proposed building will have five bays measuring approximately 6.7m wide and there will be an earth floor. Noted as PC notified by DC as for information purposes

P/PABA/2022/00765 Purbeck Valley Farm Valley Road Harmans Cross Swanage BH20 5HU Erect an agricultural workshop measuring approximately 7m x18.61m giving an area of 130.27m<sup>2</sup> with an earth floor. The workshop is to be situated within the curtilage of the existing farm buildings, off the eastern elevation of an existing building effectively a lean to featuring a mono-pitched roof. Noted as PC notified by DC for information purposes

P/RES/2022/00845 Flower Meadow Haycrafts Lane Harmans Cross Swanage BH19 3EB Demolish existing & erect 3 dwellings and garages with associated parking (reserved matters application to determine access, appearance, landscaping, layout & scale following the grant of Outline Planning Permission number 6/2020/0148. No comment

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

**2764.** The 2021 Cash Book Reconciliation. 31 January 2022 was noted

**2765** The WMPC noted the current 2021-2022 Budget position

**2766** Agreement to payment of Invoices received and checked 2 February -1 March 2022

**2767** Cllrs Burden and Bugler had previously declared their interest in their companies invoices No discussion or consideration took place regarding any submitted invoice other than the formal approval decisions noted as follows.

R Khanna	£	762.97	Clerk's salary, PAYE, and expenses
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WMPC Office	£	66.89	Web site Internet and phone,
J D Facilities.	£	628.55	January WM Toilet Cleansing
ITB Gardening	£	350.00	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance
Burden Building Services	£	834.79	Repair of surface drain and surround WMCP

The appropriate cheques were prepared as pre noted by the Clerk and approved with two independent delegated Cllr signatures.

## DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

**2769** Issues continue to be raised by residents at 6 Abbascombe Cottages regarding light pollution of a previously mainly dark evening skyline by the extensive runway lights installed . The lack of any care and attention to managing and turning them off especially during daytime and general left on 24/7 whenever this reported Air B& B location was unoccupied .Dorset Council Environmental Health sections had previously been very unhelpful in the past in pursuing complaints about these lights. **Action** Clerk

**2770** The problems at the new housing development at Old Quarry Close WM were outlined with vehicles especially a? Range Rover and white car being left on the roadside double yellow lines continuously half on /off the pavement. DC Parking enforcement to be contacted for action albeit their actual visits to worth village are rare occasions

The next PC meeting is scheduled for the 5 April to be held as an Open Meeting with a Public Discussion period and general permitted attendance at HXVH.

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