

MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on: 16/01/2013 at: 19:30 Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jennifer Balcon (Chairman)
Cllr Michael Hopper
Cllr Paul Morgan
Cllr Jane Somper (District Councillor)
Cllr Emma Parker (District Councillor)

In attendance: Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk)

151 **Apologies** Cllr Mrs H Cox (County Councillor)
Cllr Philip Smith

152 **Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation**

None

153 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting on 12 December 2012**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

154 **County & District Councillors' Reports**

A summary of the reports from the two District Councillors appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

155 **Parish Councillor Representatives' Reports**

There were no reports for the meeting.

156 **Appointment of New Clerk**

The Chairman introduced Colin Hampton to the meeting as the newly appointed Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to the Parish Council and went on to thank the outgoing Clerk, Joyce Holman, for all her outstanding work.

157 **Co-option of New Councillors**

The clerk submitted a report, an amended copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book. It was suggested and agreed that the report as read should be amended to the effect that all applicants should be interviewed and then a secret ballot held.

To date two applications have been received for consideration by the Council.

158 **Planning Applications**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2/2012/0621/PLNG	Land adjacent to Bramble Cottage, Chapel Street	Object on grounds previously stated
2/2012/1449/PLNG	Cottage Green, Milton Road	No Objection
2/2012/1460/PLNG	Little England Cottage, Little England	No Objection
2/2012/1461/PLNG	Little England Cottage, Little England	No Objection



2/2012/1556/PLNG Manor Farmhouse

No Objection

159 **New Local Plan for North Dorset (Min.14 – 12.12.12)**

The Clerk submitted an email dated 20 December 2012 detailing the Council's response to the Public Consultation on the new plan, a copy of which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book.

160 **Purbeck District Council Local Plan Consultation**

The Clerk submitted an email dated 12 January 2013 from the Planning Policy Manager at Purbeck District Council, a copy of which appears as Appendix D of the Minute Book.

161 **Localisation of Council Tax Support**

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 14 December 2012 from the Chairman of NALC, a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book.

The letter expressed disappointment over the Government decision not to apply an unadjusted council tax base and instead provide a grant direct to billing authorities without compelling them to pass this on to local councils. The letter included a template letter for councils to complete and send to their local MP or the Secretary of State, Eric Pickles.

162 **Bere Regis Neighbourhood Plan**

The Clerk submitted an email dated 14 December 2012 from the Neighbourhood Planning Officer at Purbeck District Council, a copy of which appears as Appendix F of the Minute Book.

Cllr Hopper suggested that the Council should consider developing its own Neighbourhood Plan, an activity that will require a considerable amount of additional work. Cllr Somper advised waiting for the outcome of pilots currently being run in the North Dorset area.

163 **Flooding**

The Chairman reported on a site meeting she had with a representative from NDDC, who undertook to pass on to the County Council the various issues raised. The Chairman went on to publicly thank the villagers who had offered their assistance during the recent flooding.

Cllr Hopper suggested that a Flood Action Plan should be produced in consultation with all the relevant authorities.

RESOLVED that the Council will call a public meeting to be held with the relevant authorities.

164 **Parish Plan (Min.145 – 12.12.12)**

The Clerk submitted the minutes of the Parish Plan Working Party meeting held on 9 January 2013, a copy of which appears as Appendix G of the Minute Book.

The Clerk was instructed to investigate the possibility of having a dedicated Council web page hosted on the Dorset County website.

RESOLVED that the amendments to the Parish Plan Issues as detailed in the Working Party minutes be adopted by the Council.



165 **Recycle for Dorset**

The Clerk submitted an email dated 9 January 2013 from the Waste Education Team Leader, Dorset Waste Partnership, a copy of which appears as Appendix H of the Minute Book.

Cllr Hopper pointed out that a roadshow will be held in the Blandford Corn Exchange on 9 February 2013 for members of the public interested in the new recycling arrangements to attend.

166 **Improvement to Chapel Street Junction (Min.125 – 21.11.12)**

The Clerk submitted a report for consideration by the Council, a copy of which appears as Appendix I of the Minute Book.

The report summarised the responses received from residents canvassed in the area around Chapel Street and recommended two possible suggestions for making improvements to the junction.

The Chairman reported that the proposal to install a mirror to improve visibility at the junction has been firmly rejected by Dorset County Highways.

RESOLVED that Dorset County Highways be requested to investigate painting double yellow lines from the junction of the A354 for 5 metres along both sides of Chapel Street.

167 **War Memorial Site (Min.109 – 25.10.12)**

The Clerk submitted a report, a copy of which appears as Appendix J of the Minute Book.

The report suggests that the existing chain and wooden posts be replaced with a new black galvanised chain and metal posts for reduced maintenance and durability. A quotation has been received from Puddletown Forge and the Clerk has been instructed to obtain two more quotations before the Council considers this work further.

168 **Budget for 2013/2014 and Precept (Min.109 – 25.10.12)**

The Clerk was unable to submit a report on this agenda item as the necessary information to produce it has not been received from the District Council. Late notification from the Government regarding changes to the way Local Councils are financially supported (see item 161) has meant that the District Council is left working hard to provide Local Councils with the relevant data very late in the day.

POSTPONED until the February meeting

169 **Quarterly Accounts and Budget Review**

The Clerk submitted a report, a copy of which appears as Appendix K of the Minute Book.

170 **Cheque Schedule**

The Cheque Schedule for January – see Appendix L of the Minute Book

RESOLVED that the cheques on the Cheque Schedule for January totalling £411.43 be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 21.15

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Signed :

Chairman of the Council

Dated :

PUBLIC SESSION NOTES

Action

The difference between a Parish Plan(PP) and a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) was questioned.

Cllr Hopper summarised the main differences and wider remit of an NP.

Wider publication of the dates of Council meetings was requested.

Clerk passed 2013 dates to a Reporter representative.

The availability of meeting agendas prior to the meeting was queried.

Agendas are posted on noticeboards 3 days prior to the meeting. The Clerk will make extra agendas available to the meeting.

Chapel Street junction – a wide ranging discussion was held regarding the junction and other road safety issues.

With the exception of the Resolution at Item 166, no further action at this time.

Flooding – a general discussion regarding the various issues.

Clerk to make arrangements for public meeting.

Concern expressed regarding the apparently large “golden handshakes” being given to District and County employees.

No Action

Fly Tipping reported

Cllr Hopper to investigate and report