

MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on: 15/01/2014 at: 19:30 Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman)
Cllr Sue Cherry
Cllr Sarah Fox
Cllr Michael Hopper
Cllr Paul Morgan (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Philip Smith
Cllr Simon Thompson

In attendance: Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk)
Cllr Emma Parker (NDDC)
Cllr Jane Somper (NDDC)
Mr Steve Lord (Flood Warden)
PCSO Dave Mullins + Colleague (SNT)
20 members of the public

136 Apologies

None

137 Declarations of Interest

None.

138 Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held 20th November & 18th December 2013

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

139 County & District Councillors' Reports

Reports were received from Cllr Parker and Cllr Somper concerning a meeting with Highways, waste collection, a planning appeal for 2 applications at Bramble Cottage and wind farms.

140 Parish Council Representatives' Reports

Cllr Hopper briefed members on a new electronic planning application system being implemented by NDDC's planning department from 1st February 2014.

Cllr Thompson reported that a grit bin at Wetherby Close is empty. The Clerk responded that it had been reported to Highways for filling.

141 Flooding in the Parish

Mr Lord (Flood Warden) gave a report of his experiences during the recent flooding in the village, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book. Following a wide ranging discussion it was agreed that the following action plan should be implemented by the Parish Council and Flood Warden:-

Produce a list of volunteers willing to assist in an emergency. Flood Warden to act as co-ordinator. Vulnerable residents who may require assistance to be identified.

Keep a stock of sand and empty sacks available at a central collection point.

Riparian owners to be reminded of their responsibilities in keeping the stream and banks clear.

Actively pursue the County Council to address highway drainage, in particular the Milton Road/A354 junction.

Warn schools of the danger of children playing in contaminated floodwater.

Contact the Environment Agency to suggest that monitoring equipment at March Bridge be used to measure ground water levels instead of relying on Piddle Valley monitor.

The Council recorded a vote of thanks to all those who helped out during the flooding in the

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village. Special mention was made at the meeting of the sterling work done by Mr Lord, Cllr Smith and Grays Stores. A resident's letter was read by Cllr Hopper also singling out Mr Lord and Cllr Smith for praise. The Clerk was instructed to write a letter of thanks and appreciation to the owners of Grays Stores

142 Correspondence

A report by the Clerk, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book, was noted.

143 Planning Application

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2/2013/1371/PLNG	27 Wetherby Close – erect a single storey extension.	No objection to application.

144 Financial Report

The Clerk submitted for information a report containing accounts for the third quarter of the financial year to 31st December 2013 and a budget report for the same period, copies of which appear as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

The report was noted by Members.

145 Draft Budget 2014/15

The Clerk submitted a report and draft budget for members consideration and approval, a copy of which appears as Appendix D of the Minute Book.

After much discussion it was **RESOLVED** that:

- The Precept be approved by a vote of 5 to 2 in favour. Voting against were Cllrs Smith and Thompson.
- After deleting the projector hire line of expenditure the draft budget for 2014/15 be approved by a vote of 5 to 2 in favour. Voting against were Cllrs Smith and Thompson.

146 Local Plan Pre-Submission Report

RESOLVED that Cllr Hopper's report, a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book, be accepted as the Council's response to the Local Plan pre-submission document.

147 Neighbourhood Plan

Because of the length of the meeting, this agenda item was deferred until February.

148 Cheque Schedule

The Cheque Schedule for January was circulated, a copy of which appears as Appendix F of the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Cheque Schedule for January totalling £237.26 be approved and the cheques signed.

The meeting closed at 22:00hrs

Signed :

Chairman of the Council

Dated :

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTES

Action

A question was raised as to why some traffic was still using Milton Rd despite it being closed due to flooding.

PCSO D Mullins responded that clarification was being sought from superiors on whether correct procedures had been followed in officially closing the road. Until received no enforcement action could be taken.

Complaints were received regarding the non-collection of rubbish along Milton Rd and the Causeway during the flooding.

Cllr Somper responded that she had raised this with Dorset Waste Partnership and rubbish was collected as soon as conditions allowed.

A query was raised as to whether planning applications had been seen for Winterbourne Whitechurch and Tolpuddle.

The answer was No. The proposed WW wind farm is still at the consultation stage.