

SHERBORNE ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sherborne St John Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45p.m in The Village Hall Sherborne St John, on 23rd November 2015.

The Planning Committee met prior to the full Council meeting at 6.30 -7.00p.m in the same venue. Any comments are recorded below.

Prior to the open meeting the Parish Council interviewed 2 prospective candidates – Mr Carl Davies & Mrs Rose Cooper- to fill the vacant parish council position between 7-7.45p.m.

Present:

Cllr R Morgan	Chairman	Mrs N Rougier	Vice-Chairman	Cllr L Agnew
Cllr B Jones		Mrs P Mayo	Parish Clerk	
Borough Cllr J Leek				
2 parishioners				

89.15. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr K Chapman and Mr J Crawley, Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee.

90.15. Minutes of the meeting 26th October 2015

Cllr Morgan welcomed Mrs R Jones to the Parish Council co-opted to fill the vacant position after Mr S Abraham's resignation.

Cllr Morgan proposed, seconded by Cllr Rougier, acceptance of the minutes of 26th October 2015 which he signed as accurate.

91.15. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

92.15. Neighbourhood Plan

Julian Crawley had provided an update on the progress of the Plan.

The consultant, Alex Munro, is in the process of producing/editing the first draft of the plan prior to his withdrawal as a consultant due to new employment. Historic England has waved the SEA requirement and the plan is still on target for completion by May 2016. One aspect, the provision of a shop in the Parish, is still uncertain as the present shop is understood to have now been sold with an imminent closure expected.

93.15. Correspondence Received

The Clerk has been asked for updates concerning roads in the Parish:

- a. School crossing/corner Vyne road/Church path. The clerk will contact HCC for an update. **PM**
- b. Junction Elm/Sherborne Road. HCC will review and try to improve road signage to stop further accidents occurring.

A report of a damaged fence by the field in Cranesfield was reported. The Clerk will contact the owner/tenant of the field to request it is repaired to stop any unauthorised entry to the field. **PM**

94.15. Parish Matters

a. Co-option of new Parish Councillor -Resignation of Cllr Tomlinson. Prior to the meeting the Parish Council interviewed possible replacements and asked the Clerk to contact the people concerned with their decision. **PM**

b. Defibrillator. The Parish Council wish to install 2 units in the Parish – one at the Chute Pavilion and one at the Village Hall - and asked the Clerk to contact the Lottery fund to apply for grant funding. **PM**

c.i Recreation ground new storage unit. The frame and base have now been installed & it should be completed by the end of the week.

c.ii Tennis Court re-fencing quotes. This is progressing slowly due to the need to ensure quotes are like for like. Unfortunately one of the courts is subsiding and needs total resurfacing at the same time. The Tennis Club has agreed to contribute towards the costs. The Clerk will arrange a meeting with the BDBC representative, who specialises in this type of project, and Mr Edwards and Mrs Crawley in order to progress the work. **PM**

c.iii Chute Pavilion. Mrs Shawna Campbell is now the bookings administrator for both the Chute Pavilion and the Village Hall and is starting to co-ordinate usage to maximize income in both venues. The hire charges for the Chute Pavilion have not been reviewed since 2012. Several contracts between users and the Chute are also out of date and need to be reissued.

A meeting has been arranged for 8th December 2015 with representatives from the Chute and Village Hall when the charges will be reviewed and recommendations made for the next Parish Council meeting on 14th December 2015. This meeting will also discuss marketing both venues more pro-actively.

Piccolo nursery has asked to extend their hours & at present their contract also needs to be reissued. This would entail asking the bowls club to move their hours of use. The Parish Council discussed offering the Bowls club a discount to reimburse them for the inconvenience as there would be more income from Piccolo.

Shawna Campbell reported that she could not find a contract with the football club for their use of the Chute Pavilion and that as far as she could tell they did not pay anything for the use of the Pavilion on Saturday or Sunday. She was concerned that this needed to be clarified so that she could rent the facility out on these 2 days. The Clerk will check what payments have been received from the football club and let her know any details that are available. **PM**

d. Allotments. The Warden, Mr Wilkinson, reported that they would be carrying out up to 8 night shoots to clear the rabbits. Due to adverse weather conditions it has been difficult to organise days which can be altered at short notice.

e. Transport. Any problems recently were due to problems on the roads.

f. Infrastructure. BDBC have recently swept the roads in the Village. The Clerk was asked to check whether the turning point has been installed in Dancers Meadows. **PM**

Mrs Crawley has now joined the Neighbourhood Watch Group.

g. Rights of Way. Footpath 208/9/1 Sherborne Road to the Ambulance station on A40. Half way along is blocked by overgrown hedging. **PM**

h. Parish Website. Problems are being experienced with the website as it can be out of date. Unfortunately the parishioner running this for the Parish free of charge is only able to update the site when time permits. The Chairman has therefore contacted E Mango who has quoted £950 to set up a website with an annual running costs charge of £365. The charge includes training for 2 people – the Clerk & Mrs Morgan, VH. The Village Hall will be asked to contribute towards the costs.

Cllr Agnew proposed acceptance of the quote, seconded by Cllr Rougier. Cllr Morgan will contact e mango again for more information and to arrange for the new website and to organise training. **RM**

i. Engagement of consultant to investigate economic viability for new shop in the Village. Cllr Morgan has been unsuccessful in sourcing any more consultancies capable of carrying out an investigation of the economic viability of a new shop in the Village (re Rydon Homes offer of a shop premises gifted to the Parish). The chains like Londis & Premier would not consider any premises smaller than 1600sq ft. Cllr Morgan expressed concern that acceptance of any offer of premises from Rydon Homes could be an unacceptable financial risk to the Parish Council. Cllr Morgan therefore proposed accepting the more expensive consultancy quote of £4000 already received as it will provide a more in depth consultancy review, seconded by Cllr Agnew. **RM**

j. Village Hall. The Village Hall now has Wi-Fi capability which is hoped will increase its ability to rent out the premises to a wider group of users.

95.15. Finance

a. Payments. The Councillors reviewed the schedule of payments made by the Clerk on the Parish Council's behalf since the last meeting and all present signed it as accurate.

<u>Nov-15</u>			<u>Parish</u>	<u>Chute</u>
Lloyds				
	Basingstoke Handyman	plumbing work		110.00
	Helen Hooper	shoes for litter picker	43.99	
	Popley Matters	Advert for Litter picker	60.00	
	Larkstel	football mtce	372.00	
	reimbursement	football club	-310.00	
	BDBC	Building regs re chute		360.00
	BDBC	Year rental re SIDs	4160.00	
	H&B Plant Hire	storage unit Chute		184.20
	O2	telephone Oct	39.16	
	O2	telepnoe Nov	39.16	
			-6.00	
	T Wilkinson/Jewsons	allotment supplies	11.36	
	3 Counties	40% payment storage unit		6982.75
	Village Hall	coffee morning	28.00	
	Steve Holder	chute storage base		1000.00
	Martins Tool Hire	chute hire of equip		276.60

	exps P Mayo	stamps etc	68.89	
	refund Eagle	chute refund		5.75
	M Barham	salary Nov	349.92	
	P Mayo	salary Nov	513.17	-
	S Cooper	salary Nov	75.83	
	H Hooper	Sal Nov	184.86	
	Fleet Markers	football club contribution	249.32	
	SSE Oct & Nov			70.00
				70.00
	House Proud	chute		288.00

The Clerk has issued preliminary estimates for total expenditure for the current year and estimates for year 2016/17 to the Councillors prior to discussions at next month's meeting re precept setting for 2016/17.

b. Request for donation from Tennis Club towards court maintenance. Cllr Morgan proposed a contribution towards tennis court maintenance for the tennis club of £435, seconded by Cllr Rougier. **PM**

c. Football club & tennis club rental 2015/16.

The Parish Council agreed a 3% increase in the rentals charged for the year 2015/16. Proposed by Cllr Morgan, seconded by Cllr Agnew.

96.15. Open Forum

There was reported drug use in the car park at the Chute. The police investigated and caught 2 people and there has been no reoccurrence.

John Wilson, the owner of the Shire horses, died recently. The horses are in the process of being relocated.

97.15. Planning

The following applications have been granted:

15/02986/FUL Springfield 2 Vyne Rd Conversion of stable block & tack room into 1 bed house/annexe etc

15/02943/HSE 26b Vyne Road

Trees: T/00361/15/TCA 7 Vyne Rd

The following application is up for appeal:

14/03040/FUL Appeal ref App/H1705/W/15/3033726 The Mustard Pot

The following applications have been received. The Parish Council have no objections to make.

15/03738/FUL Armstrong House – temporary vehicular access

15/03809/HSE 5 Tyfield Erection of 1st floor side extension

15/03803/HSE 19 Tyfield – single storey rear/side ext + dormer & roof-lights.

Prior to the meeting the Parish Council received comments about the following application from both the applicant Mr Bunker and the neighbours Mr McGee. The neighbour expressed concern about the plans and that it would compromise his 'right to light' as it was on the boundary. The Parish Council will review the plans before coming to any decisions. The Clerk will send e mail of the pictures sent by Mr McGee. **PM**

Weybrook Farm. The Parish Council had no further comments to make concerning the applications for the units at Weybrook Farm and asked the Clerk to forward e mails of BDBC's decisions. **PM**

98.15. Councillors' Comments

There were no further comments to record.

99.15. Cllr Morgan closed the meeting at 9.20p.m.