

# SHERBORNE ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Sherborne St John Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30p.m in The Village Hall Sherborne St John, on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015

*The Planning Committee met prior to the full Council meeting at 7.00pm in the same venue. Any comments are recorded below under Planning.*

*In order to stop confusion with 2 people of the same name actions will be noted as JE(V), Vyne Road and JE(M), Manor Road.*

Present:

Cllr R Morgan                      Chairman                      Cllr S Abraham Vice-Chairman                      Cllr J Tomlinson

Cllr N Rougier                      Mrs P Mayo                      Clerk

Also present Borough Cllr J Leek (arrived at 8.00pm) and 6 parishioners.

### 12.15. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs K Chapman and L Agnew.

### 13.15. Minutes of the meeting 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015

Cllr Abraham proposed acceptance of minutes of the meeting 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 seconded by Cllr Tomlinson. The Chairman, Cllr Morgan, signed them as accurate.

### 14.15. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters to discuss.

### 15.15. Correspondence Received

a. Donation to Home Start scheme. After discussion it was unanimously agreed by all Councillors present to give a donation of £250 to this Scheme. Dr Darmady will provide the Clerk with the bank details to arrange the payment. **JD/PM**

b. New benches. It was proposed to place 2 new benches in the village – one by the duck pond in Cranesfield and the other near the cemetery. Mr Edwards will obtain information and quotes for the purchase.

**JE(M)**

c. Action Hants – The information received concerning affordable housing will be given to the Neighbourhood Plan Chairman to review. **PM**

d. Saplings/Cranes Road. The Clerk has received complaints about the position of these. Mr Edwards will remove them and plant elsewhere. **JE(M)**

e. Livestock/Allotments. The Clerk has received an enquiry about the regulations for keeping hens on the Moss Hill site. While there is no specific regulations in force the Parish Council agreed that only one group of hens could be kept on the site at a time.

f. Pavement/Cleeves. The Clerk has received a reply from HCC that while there was nothing they could do to widen the path they would arrange for any overgrowth to be removed.

g. Sherborne Road/dead end. The Clerk has received comments from a resident concerning the overgrown hedges and antisocial behaviour on this road. She will contact the landowner re the hedge and the police about the other issues. **PM**

h. Footpath Bob's Farm. The Clerk has contacted BDBC to ask for this to be cleared of debris.

Footpath Cranes Road between Tyfield & Manor Road. The Clerk has contact BDBC to ask for this to be cleared.

### 16.15. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Morgan reported on progress. There will be a meeting next week to finalise details for the Consultation day on 14<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall. The Committee will display results and information collected from both the Housing Needs Survey and Questionnaire while it is hoped that developers will provide visual details of their plans for the 3 sites that have been identified - Cranes Road area, Aldermaston Road and Bob's Farm.

### 17.15. Parish Matters

a. Chute Pavilion & Recreation Ground

i. Picnic Tables. The Clerk has obtained a grant from Cllr Chapman to fund picnic tables for the Chute recreation ground & provided the Parish Council with some details of suitable tables. She will send the information to Dr Darmady and Mr Edwards for them to review. **PM/JE(V)/JD**

ii. Waste bins and new notice boards, previously agreed by the PC, have still to be installed. The Clerk will send supplier details to the Chute Management (JD & JE). Once the choice has been made the Clerk will circulate by e mail to the PC for agreement to purchase. **PM/JE(V)/JD**

iii. LIF Grant. Cllr Abraham reported that the PC had been awarded a £30000 grant from BDBC for improvements to facilities at the Chute – a new storage unit, decoration and tennis court renovations. This, with a substantial contribution from Parish Council funds, will mean the PC has the ability to make major improvements at the Chute site. He proposed a vote of thanks from the Parish Council for the Clerk in recognition of all her work in completing and obtaining the grant.

He is arranging a group to review all options and quotes –to include himself, John W Edwards and Cllr Rougier. Once they have agreed on a course of action they will consult all interested parties for their comments and report back to the Parish Council.

Dr Darmady suggested any redecoration of the Chute should take into account wedding bookings and use by the nursery school.

b. Allotments – replacement trees Elm Road. Work has been completed on the hedge at the side of Moss Hill allotments. The PC are investigating replacing the dead rowan trees with new ones. Mr Edwards will find out prices and report back to the Parish Council. **JE(M)**

The warden, Mr Wilkinson, reported that the vacant plots are nearly ready for new tenants and will liaise with the Clerk who will contact potential new tenants. **TW/PM**

c. Transport. The new Community Bus service has started with 6 and 5 residents using it to go to Chineham shopping area.

d. Infrastructure.

i. New access to cemetery. Mr Edwards is in the process of obtaining quotes from Peter Boyle. **JE(M)**

ii. Bus stop/Cranes Road. Mr Edwards has obtained a quote to remove all the brambles and overhanging hedge £320 +vat. Cllr Morgan proposed acceptance, seconded by Cllr Abraham.

iii. Laurel Hedge/1 Manor Road. Mr Edwards has obtained a quote of £450+ vat to either cut back or completely remove. He will visit the residents at 1 Manor Road to obtain their views and report back to the Parish Council. However it is noted that this is on conservation ground.

**JE(M)**

e. Rights of Way. Mr Edwards had completed a draft report on the state of all the pavements in the village area noting where action is needed. He will send it to the Clerk for forwarding to the Councillors to ask for their comments.

Cllr Morgan thanked Mr Edwards on behalf of the Parish Council for all his hard work.

### **18.15. Finance**

a. WW1 exhibition by History Society. Cllr Rougier proposed reimbursement the History Society for the costs incurred of £24.59, seconded by Cllr Tomlinson.

b. 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 as accurate.

### **19.15. Open Forum**

a. It was noted that the Parish Council meetings are not displayed in the current Villager. **PM**

b.

c. Elm/Cranes Road junction. There was a request for a reflective post on the corner to stop corner cutting.

d. Residents, Mr & Mrs Campbell, of 2 Spring Close asked if the Parish Council could approach BDBC or HCC to see if they could alter the verge outside their home to allow off road parking as there is no provision of a driveway for their Sentinel bungalow. Mr Campbell is registered disabled and the extremely steep slope outside their home, the only place to park, is dangerous and if they park on the road they have to park away from the kerb the allow for the car door to be opened. The Clerk will contact the authorities to enquire. **PM**

### **20.15. Planning**

Granted: 14/02345/HSE Beaufrepaire Park.

The Parish Council had no objections to the following applications:

14/03883/FUL Armstrongs – erection of ground & first floor side ext to existing offices

14/03755/FUL Weybrook Farm erection of 3 bedded house

15/00050/FUL The Swan rebuild disabled toilet & entrance to side elevation plus ramp

14/03793/HSE 9 Vyne Road – demolition of garage & erection of log cabin

15/00322/RET 15 Manor Road – rear elevated decking. *The Committee asked the Clerk to check that the neighbours had no objections to raise.* **PM**

15/00194/FUL 5 Manor Road – one 2 & 1x 3bedded semi detached houses. The Committee noted the neighbours concerns. The Clerk will contact the planning officer. **PM**

Trees: T/00050/15/TCA 7 Bournefield  
T/00053/15/TCA 9 West End

The Parish Council decided that they had no alternative but to leave the decision concerning application 14/03648/LDEU to BDBC as they were unable to obtain confirmation of the evidence they had received.

The following application were refused by BDBC:

14/03400/FUL The Mustard Pot  
14/03428/HSE 21 West End  
14/03429/LBC 21 West End

### **21.15. Councillors' Comments**

- a. Cllr Morgan told the meeting that speed watch training would be carried out in the parish over the weekend.
- b. Cllr Morgan suggested that the Parish Council held a training session, run by St John's Ambulance, to train people how to deal with heart attack victims. The Clerk will contact to find out what training sessions they run suitable for the general public . **PM**
- c. Cllr Leek reported back on the progress of the draft Local Plan submitted last December. The Inspector said that the housing number of 750 per year was insufficient and said it should be 853. The Cabinet has agreed to amend the number to 853 and were discussing suitable sites to accommodate this increased number. The proposed Cufaude Lane site has been withdrawn from consideration. The Inspector suggested that the contingency element could be used to provide the extra needed. The Economic & Planning meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March will discuss and agree sites:
  - a. 750 additional houses opposite Hanson Fields - Dummer
  - b. Increase in the number of houses per hectare at Manydown.However he reported that there is no provision for infrastructure or how it will be funded. The Plan should be ready by July with hearings in October/November of this year.

### **22.15. Close**

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8.50pm.