

SHERBORNE ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sherborne St John Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30p.m in the Chute Pavilion, Vyne Road, Sherborne St John, on Monday 27th February 2017. The Planning Committee met prior to the full meeting and any comments are recorded below in item 18.17.

Present:

Cllr R Morgan Chairman Cllr N Rougier Vice-Chairman Cllr C Davies Treasurer
Cllr R Cooper County Cllr K Chapman Mrs P Mayo Parish Clerk
Also present Julian Crawley, Chairman Neighbourhood Plan Committee, 3 parishioners & 1 member of the public.

11.17. Apologies for absence

Borough Cllr Tristan Robinson had indicated he would be late.
Cllr N Rougier had to leave half way through the meeting due to family illness.

12.17. Minutes of the meeting 23rd January 2017

7.17b. It was noted that Cllr Davies had proposed 3% increase in the precept but the PC decided to increase it to 3 ½%. File copy amended. Cllr Cooper proposed acceptance of the minutes 23rd January 2017, seconded by Cllr Rougier, which were signed as accurate by the Chairman Cllr Morgan.

13.17. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters to discuss.

14.17. Open Forum

Mark Beauchamp reported to the Parish Council that the bend on the A340 by Dixon's Corner was extremely dangerous for cyclists. He asked if they could consider developing cycle lanes. While the PC was very sympathetic they informed him that there was little likelihood of HCC committing any funds to this area in view of their need to make large reductions in their budget.

There was a request for a Bench to be placed by the Duck Pond on Church Path. Clerk will contact HCC for permission & find out the cost of purchase & installation. **PM**

Julie Crawley thanked the PC for their donation towards the First Aid course to be held in the Chute Pavilion Saturday 25th March 2017 from 9.00-12.00 and asked all present to let anyone interested in attending to contact her direct.

The Parish Council discussed the provision of flower beds in 2 gaps on Cranes Road but made no decision.

15.17. Parish Matters

a. Chute Pavilion – The Parish Council unanimously agreed to purchase 30 new chairs. **PM**

b. Allotments. Mr Wilkinson reported that he needed 3 new rat boxes for Moss Hill approx cost £50. Parish Council unanimously agreed to the purchase. The field gate to Sherborne Road needs adjusting. **JWE/EW**

The Clerk reported that some tenants have not paid their 2017 rent despite 2 reminders. She will inform tenants that their tenancy is terminated. **PM**

d. Transport. No date has been set for the transport forum. A resident has contacted Stagecoach about reversing the route 22 through the village. She has been advised to start a petition, advertise it in the Villager & submit it to Stagecoach for consideration. *The transport forum will now be on 4th July 2017 at 12.30, Mr Wilkinson will attend on behalf of the PC.*

d. Infrastructure. Cllr Cooper issued a report to the Council on the dangerous road and footpath conditions at West End. The Council agreed to the initial cost of a meeting with HCC representative from the new 'Community Funded Initiative 2016/7' programme to investigate the installation & cost of 'Village Gates' and the painting of 30mph signs on the A340. The Clerk will contact HCC to arrange a meeting & submission of any forms necessary and inform Cllr Cooper & John Edwards. **PM**

The Clerk will again contact HCC to find out if the extremely dangerous footpath by Cleeves on A340 is still on the maintenance schedule as she had previously been told and ask Cllrs Robinson & Chapman to also enquire. **PM**

A meeting was held on site at the A340 West End with John Edwards, Cllrs Rose Cooper & Tristan Robinson, the Parish Clerk and prospective candidate for HCC elections in May, Rhydian Vaughan, to view what signage etc needs to be installed to improve safety.

There were further reports about the mud left on the road by equipment from West lane Farm filling the road gullies. Clerk to contact HCC. **PM**

Sherborne Road field hedge owned by HCC still not cut. **PM**

The SID pole on Elm Road is in wrong place and needs to be further away from the chicanes to be effective. Clerk will request BDBC for a new pole to be placed further up Elm Road. **PM**

e. Parish Website. There are no problems with the new website.

f. Mobile Post Office. The Post Office has written to inform the Parish that the temporary closure of the Post Office will continue.

g. 20MPH Signs. This item will be put on hold until the meeting with HCC about community funded initiatives has taken place.

h. Dark Lane. The Clerk was asked to chase for information on this site. Cllr Davies will check the Land Registry for ownership. **PM**

Since the meeting the Clerk has confirmed Downing College still own the site and asked them for a maintenance plan and to deal with the dead trees along the edge in the hedge. Cllr Agnew has the old planning application for houses which was refused which the Clerk will file for reference if needed. **PM/LA**

16.17. Correspondence Received

The Clerk has received a letter asking about the derelict watercress beds at West End.

7. Finance

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

Wilkinson	Allotment items	7.49	
	refund re allot overpayment	2.50	
O2	telephone	35.74	
Village Hall	coffee morning	30.00	
Macro	Chute supplies		136.69
ICO	yearly data prot sub	35.00	
House Proud	Chute supplies		264.00
Chubb Fire			333.56
Buller Feb Sal	Sal feb	300.60	
J Butler	Sal feb	184.86	
Mayo	sal feb + exps	574.06	63.49
Heartstart Swallowfield	Defib demonstration	50.00	
Heartstart Swallowfield	First aid course	50.00	
Tim Davey	Plumbing upgrades Chute		960.00
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b. New Grant application. The Parish Council asked the Clerk to continue with her application for a grant to erect a new storage unit at the Pavilion. **PM**

c. Chute Mtce Schedule. The Clerk had issued a schedule detailing all the PC assets and maintenance requirements to the Councillors together with a Report and Recommendations. Cllr Davies will review & report back to the Council. **CD**

d. The Clerk recorded that she has agreed to hire chairs from the Chute Pavilion to Stratfield Saye Parish Council on 29th April 2017 for the Commemorative Service to unveil a plaque to the VC awarded in WW1 to someone born in Stratfield Saye.

18.17 Planning

The following application was granted: 16/04430/HSE 50 Spring Close

The application 16/01457/LBC Tithe Barn Vyne Road was refused – Clerk to check application. **PM**

The following applications have been received:

17/00064/HSE 10 Vyne Rd – amend to 15/04236/HSE & 15/04237/LBC – no objections if neighbours happy
17/00065/

17/00506/GPDAG Unit 4 Weybrook Farm change of use from agricultural to B1 or B8 commercial use. The Clerk was asked to forward all the past correspondence re this application to Cllr Rougier for review before any objections are recorded. It was noted that the neighbours have already made detailed objections and some health issues have been raised. **PM**

Letter recording the Parish Council's objections with copy of original objections to 15/03266/GPDAG sent to Planning Department 6.3.17,

19.17 Neighbourhood Plan

Bobs Farm was discussed as it had become a potential site for inclusion in the NP after having been withdrawn 2 years ago. Goodall-Barnard group is in the process of trying to buy the site. If successful they may retain the 4 house application already granted & apply for between 4-7 houses on the remainder of the site identified as 'recreational open space' but would not be required to provide affordable housing now. To be included in NP there must be at least 10

housing units. As this is still very early days in negotiations and there is no guarantee that further planning applications will be successful it was with regret that the PC felt there were insufficient reasons to halt the Reg 16 submission.

The Chairman, Julian Crawley reported that once the Parish Council had agreed to the revised Plan – Rev 12 which contains a new Map 5, notification of acceptance needs to be sent to BDBC, the Portfolio holder, who will then arrange the Referendum for 4th May 2017.

After discussion the Parish Council voted. There was a 3 to 1 vote in favour of acceptance of the revised – Rev 12.

The Parish Council agreed to obtain 2 large signs (as in Bramley) to place in the Village advertising the Referendum and agreed to place a notice in the Villager asking for residents support.

The Clerk has sent an email to Matt Melville, BDBC, recording the PC's acceptance of the Neighbourhood Plan Revision 12 & asking for it to proceed to the Referendum scheduled for 4th May 2017.

20.17 Councillors comments

The large potholes in Vyne Rd were reported. The Clerk will contact HCC for repairs to be carried out. **PM**

The length men's scheme was again discussed. The Clerk will contact Chris Goss (MS) for details. **PM**

County Cllr Chapman reported his retirement from HCC in May. He reported an extremely busy and enjoyable year attending a wide variety of events in particular his special interest in the development of music in schools and colleges. There will be a concert in the Anvil on 19th March showcasing the musical achievements of many.

Email sent by Cllr Robinson:

Council tax up by 4.99% to ensure high quality services maintained; Council tax in Basingstoke remains lowest of any Shire District in whole country plus 5th highest spend per head of population largely because of the income generated from the property portfolio; Continue to state weekly black bin collections must be maintained.

21. 17 Close

The Chairman, Cllr Morgan, closed the meeting at 9.00p.m.