



BLANDFORD ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on 4th April 2018 at The Brewery Hall in Hall & Woodhouse Visitor Centre, Bournemouth Road, Blandford St Mary.

Present: Cllr M Albery Chairman
Cllr R Whitlock Vice-Chairman
Cllr J Dallison
Cllr P Hill

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Parish Clerk) and 6 members of the public.

Public Consultation.

It was reported that people are using the recreation ground again to walk their dogs. Cllr Whitlock will check that all of the no dog signs are in place and to replace any that are missing.

It was reported that one of the houses near the play area has a lot of rubbish building up in their garden. The Clerk will contact Sovereign Housing to request that the garden is cleared.

Concerns were expressed from members of the public regarding the Persimmon Homes development at Dorchester Hill. The issues reported are as follows:

- The road is still being frequently blocked by larger vehicles
- The roads are still very muddy, the cleaner does not come through frequently enough during the day.
- Work was carried out on Bank Holiday Friday and it has been clearly stated that the Local Planning Authority found the following times acceptable: Monday to Friday – 0700 to 1800, Saturday – 0800 to 1300, no working on Sunday or **Bank Holidays**.
- The verge at the top of Folly Lane is still in a bad way. Persimmon Homes site manager has stated that Persimmon will repair the verge during better weather with new turf. The Clerk will get confirmation from Persimmon Homes to ensure that this will be done.
- It was reported that the electricity supply had been cut in error, which has left some of the resident along Dorchester Hill out of power.

After discussion, it was agreed for the Clerk to forward these concerns and suggestions on to Persimmon Homes.

Action - Clerk

2017/90 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Interest.

Cllr Rev Joe Edwards, Cllr D Addison MBE and Cllr J Stayt

2017/91 Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th March 2018

The minutes were proposed, seconded and agreed that the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

2017/92 Planning

There were no applications

2017/93 Items agreed to be discussed from last meeting

Up-date on Allotments – the Council has submitted all of the paperwork requested by the Councils Solicitors. Once the transfer has taken place, a full report will be given.

To consider future project program's – the following suggestions were put forward.

- Blue Plaques on historic building in the Village – the Clerk will ask NDDC if there are any listed building in the Village and report back. **Action - Clerk**
- Replacing the wooden and wire fencing which runs by the pathway along Bournemouth Road. This would not be possible as it is privately owned.
- 2018 is the 100th commemoration of the end of the 1st World War – a permanent memorial to commemorate this was suggested.
- **If any members of the public have any ideas for the location of a memorial to commemorate the end of the 1st World War and any other local projects – community benefit – please contact the Parish Clerk.**

Up-date on Play Area – Quotes are being obtained for replacing the surface on the Ball Court.

To receive information on new Data Protection Policy for the Parish Council – With help from Cllr Dallison, the

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Clerk has produced a Data Protection Policy for the Parish Council, which will be proposed for adoption at the meeting in May.

To review the draft minutes being advertised in the Forum Focus- Now the Parish Council have their own website and still put the agenda and minutes on the notice board, it was felt that spending £80.00 a month on advertising in the Forum Focus was no longer a financially viable expenditure. This was proposed by Cllr Albery and seconded by Cllr Whitlock, with all in agreement that the Parish Council no longer advertise in the Forum Focus.

RESOLVED: Parish Council no longer advertise in the Forum Focus. (2017/93 – Forum Focus)

To consider date for litter pick – it was agreed that early May would be a good time for a litter pick. Once a date has been agreed it will be advertised on the notice boards and website to obtain public support and participation...

2017/94 Finance

The clerk tabled the financial statement to the Councillors with the Payment Schedule for March 2018, the total sum of £995.94. It was agreed by all members for the payment schedule to be paid.

2017/95 Chairman's report – the Chairman reported the following:

Blandford +. are making progress with NDDC planning policy management and it is hoped that they will support our recommendation concerning the proposed development of land to the north of the town. It has been confirmed that the team have applied for a grant to enable them to continue with this last stage of the plan.

2017/96 Officers Report:

Cllr Stayt had sent the following report through:

AONB consultation in Blandford. Little of substance to remark upon.

DAPTC, AGM. A full day's programme, most of which was about LGR and the move to Unitary Authority and other procedural matters.

Freedom of Information Act + Data Protection updates. Information & learning was of importance.

Prevention of Ill Health (Especially amongst the ageing population) Outline details of County wide assistance/services.

The Rothermere Estate (Formerly The Crown Estate) a meeting has taken place between The Estate, Savills & Blandford +. Not so much about specific proposals but how the Estate can engage with the town & surrounding parishes, to develop common interests and objectives & how the Estate can contribute to the development of infrastructure. This was welcomed.

Planning. Proposed Development on Lower Bryanston Farm. 3 weeks ago a meeting was held with Bryanston PC, DCC Highways, Chairman of DCC and me in my guise as Bryanston's Ward Member. We only discussed matters concerning Highways, Footpaths & Accessibility. It was concluded that solutions for mitigating most of the perceived issues could be found. These conclusions have been forwarded to The Estate and have been well received.

Cllr Whitlock – will be checking all of the signage in the Play area and will start maintenance work on the play area in the dryer weather.

2017/97 Clerk Report- Correspondence and matters of interest

Nothing to report.

2017/98 Date of next meeting and agreed items for the next meeting.

Future Project Programme – Allotments – Play Area - AGM – End of year accounts - other items to be arranged.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on the Wednesday 2nd May AGM 2018 at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.50

Signed.....

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Cllr Albery, Cllr Whitlock, Cllr Hill, Cllr Stayt, Cllr Addison, Cllr Dallison and Cllr Rev Edwards