



BLANDFORD ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on 4th July 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 D Addison MBE
Cllr J Dallison
Cllr J Stayt

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Parish Clerk) and 7 members of the public.

Public Consultation.

The following concerns were raised by the members of the public:

Asked for an update on the double yellow lines. The Chairman confirmed that the legal process has been held up due to an objection received. The application will now be seen by a committee later this year and County Council have it allocated on the top of their list once they get the go-ahead.

The hedge along Bournemouth Road, Lower Blandford St Mary needs cutting back. The Clerk will contact County Council to ask them to contact the owners of the hedge and request it is cut back as soon as possible.

The notice board at the bottom of Dorchester Hill is not to be used. The Chairman will update the information advertised in the board.

The hedge at the bottom of Dorchester Hill that backs on to Beckett Close is covering the T junction sign. The Clerk will contact County Council and Sovereign Housing Association to ask for the hedge to be cut back.

The rubbish bin outside Homebase has been vandalised. The Clerk will ask Dorset Waste Partnership to replace the bin as soon as possible.

The hedge behind the School has become very overgrown. The Parish Council suggested that the residents should write to the Parish Council regarding this matter.

The contractors/builders working on the Persimmon development are littering along Dorchester Hill. The Clerk will contact the Persimmon to ensure that the contractors/builders take their rubbish home with them.

2018/19 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Interest.

Cllr Rev Joe Edwards, Cllr P Hill.

2018/20 Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th June 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.

2018/21 Planning.

There were none.

2018/22 Items agreed to be discussed from last meeting

Up-date on Allotments – the paperwork is still with the Official Receiver, this has been chased up with the solicitors.

Up-date on play area – The Clerk obtained a quote for the goal post covers for the sum of £1.76 for 2m long, 9mm thick 48mm bore. This was proposed, seconded and all agreed.

RESOLVED: to purchase 10 times goal post covers (2018/22 play area).

Cllr Whitlock arranged for a working party to clean the play equipment on 21st July 2018. A time will be arranged.

Blandford+ public drop in session: A drop in session has been arranged to show the latest information on the proposed Neighbourhood Plan for the Village. It will be held on the 13th July 2018 at The Brewery Hall in Hall & Woodhouse Visitor Centre from 6pm to 8pm and on Saturday 14th July from 10am to 12pm. You can also visit www.surveymonkey.com/blandford+ for details. Please come along and have your say.

Up-date on Dorchester Hill – The Chairman discussed this matter under Chairman's report.

2018/23 Finance

The clerk tabled the financial statement to the Councillors with the Payment Schedule for June 2018, the total sum of £2489.47. It was agreed by all members for the payment schedule to be accepted and duly signed by the Chairman.

The Clerk tabled a quote to replace the vandalised running map next to the outdoor gym equipment for the sum of £571.25 excluding vat. After debate, it was proposed, seconded and all agreed to the quote given and will arrange for the installation in September.

RESOLVED: to accept the quote of £571.25 from the Company who originally supplied the map and to agree for installation in September 2018 (2018/23 Play Area/gym)

2018/24 Chairman's report – the Chairman reported the following:

The ongoing concerns regarding matters raised at the Persimmon Development at Dorchester Hill was discussed. The Chairman reported that Blandford St Mary Parish Council have no direct control of traffic management but in response to complaints regarding site deliveries and parking at Persimmon site the Council have been extremely pro active during the past few weeks. They have been in contact with Cllr H Cox – Chairman of Dorset County Council, DCC Senior traffic coordinators, NDDC Les Fry, planning enforcement officer, NDDC Mark Hatchett senior planning enforcement, the local police and DCC Steve Savage transport development manager. All have been very active in attempting to resolve the problems including site visits. The Parish Council would like to thank all those involved. The Parish Council are in support of the resident's complaints and concerns that have been raised and will continue to forward them to the relevant authorities.

It was requested that Dorchester Road needs to be washed down, as the dust is affecting resident breathing. The Clerk will contact Persimmon homes direct.

The Clerk reported that she had received a phone call from Mr Paddock who lives at the top of Dorchester Hill, he stated that he is an elderly gentleman and that his wife is disabled. Mr Paddock reported that the contractors/builders are parking along the road and in the turning circle at the top of Dorchester Hill. This is a breach of condition of planning application 6.4. The Clerk will contact NDDC Mark Hatchett regarding this matter.

2018/25 Officers Report:

Cllr Addison reported the following:

Please come along to the drop-in sessions for the Blandford+ and have your say.

Cllr Stayt reported the following:

The new boundary review consultation for the new unitary authority is available to see on the Dorset For You website.

2018/26 Clerk Report- Correspondence and matters of interest

It was agreed for the Clerk to order one Silent Soldier for the Village.

The Clerk tabled an email from the A350 group, inviting one of Blandford St Mary Parish Councillors to join their group. Cllr J Dallison volunteered to join.

2018/27 Date of next meeting and agreed items for the next meeting.

- Allotments - **Wednesday 5th September 2018**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.05

Signed.....

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