

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF OKEFORD FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PAVILION, CASTLE LANE ON TUESDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at 7.30pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr N Plummer (Chairman) and Cllrs R Rowe (Vice-Chairman), R Corben, D Gartside, C Jay and F Light.

**In attendance:** Dorset County Councillor P Batstone  
Mrs Sophie Pearce, Parish Clerk.

**Also present:** 14 members of the public.

**1. Apologies:** Cllr S Corben (due to illness)

**2. Declaration of Interest and Dispensation Requests**

**2.1 To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers:** No Declarations of Interest were received.

**2.2 To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered:** The Clerk confirmed that no dispensation requests had been received.

**3. Minutes**

Okeford Fitzpaine Parish Council RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**Proposed: Cllr Rowe; Seconded: Cllr R Corben.**

**4. Dorset Councillor's Report**

Face-to-face meetings have now started. Budgets for 2022/23 have been agreed. High Schools in the area have organised employment/apprenticeship collaborations with local businesses.

**Public Question Time**

A member of the public asked about the 20 is Plenty Okeford Fitzpaine campaign. Cllr Plummer responded to the question and informed everyone that Dorset Council were developing a process for the application of a 20mph speed limit. Cllr Gartside confirmed that this should be published in April 2022. Following the release of the process the PC will investigate further.

A member of the public discussed briefly the request of the disposal of weeds (discussed later in meeting), the on-line auction for a bench (again discussed later), and other Jubilee events.

A member of the public from Greenhayes thanked Cllr S Corben for taking the time to speak to them and explain the possible resurfacing of the Village Hall car park and the fear residence have of water run-off. Also, to explain in more detail the request for access into 60 Greenhayes via the village hall car park to add further context to this agenda item.

## 5. UPDATES ON OPEN ITEMS:

**Neighbourhood Planning: Cllr Plummer:** Attended a conference call with a planning consultant recommended by the DAPTC to discuss the way forward, also in attendance was with Cllr Rowe. The consultant recommended the development of a Local Planning Statement for Okeford Fitzpaine Parish instead of developing a Neighbourhood Plan. Any future developers would be able to refer to the Local Planning Statement, which will taking into account and reflect where required Dorset's Local Plan. It was agreed that a Local Planning Statement be developed for review by the PC.

**Belchalwell and Fiddleford items:** Nothing to report

**Darknoll Lane: Cllr Gartside:** No further progress made on the costings and to the creation of a working party. Instead, it was suggested that a questionnaire to be published in Fippenny news for public feedback.

**Proposed: Cllr Gartside; Seconded: Cllr Light.**

**All in agreement**

**Little/Mill Lane Crossing: Cllr Gartside:** This issue remains on the Agenda in the at Dorset Council. Cllr Batstone will get back to us.

**To be reviewed in April**

**Blue Plaques for Historic Buildings: Cllr Plummer:** The unveiling of the four plaques is planned for Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 as part of the Jubilee celebrations.

**Refurbishment of Historic Monument: Cllr Jay:** Dorset Council have agreed to the application. Work to commence asap. Stone mason has been informed. Thanks were given to all involved.

**Museum: Cllr S Corben:** NFTR

**Okeford Fitzpaine Climate Emergency Response: Cllr Gartside:** To have training on Carbon Literacy Project accreditation – courses run by DAPTC.

**Availability of Appropriate Grants: Cllr Rowe:** Investigate and apply for Jubilee Creative development grant.

### **Blocked Drains in Village**

**Shillingstone Lane outside the old chicken farm sheds: Cllr Gartside:** The DC Flood Risk Management Team have been alerted.

**Lower Street:** After discussion, it was agreed that this is a Dorset Highways issue. The Parish Council have a job number from Highways and will continue to press for a solution from them.

**Resurfacing of Village Hall Car Park:** 2 quotes received and awaiting final quote.

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – JUNE 2022: Cllr Plummer:** Village Groups have met and further meetings are scheduled. A schedule of planned events covering 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June will be included in the next edition of the Fippenny News, which will be circulated to all houses in the parish in April.

### **Parking Issues in the Village:**

**Castle Lane development: Cllr Rowe:** Photos have been taken and the traffic management team has been contacted. If cars are parked dangerously (thereby breaking the law) then members of the public should report this directly to the police.

## 6. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

**Caravans at the Pavilion car park:** A donation from the recent use of the carpark by a caravan club has been received.

**Cllr S Corben:** To carry out due diligence to ensure compliance in relation to the occasional use of the pavilion carpark by a caravan club.

**Swing band party on 4th June 2022.** It was agreed that mobile catering vans could use the village hall car park for this event.

**Proposed: Cllr Gartside; Seconded: Cllr Light**

**Agreed**

**Volunteers disposal of soil and weeds from village tidy up**

Solution discussed and agreed. Cllr R Corben to liaise with volunteers.

**Proposed: Cllr R Corben; Seconded: Cllr Light**

**Agreed**

**Vehicular access to Fippenny Cottage, 60 Greenhayes, Okeford Fitzpaine**

After discussion, it was agreed this item would be deferred to the next meeting to allow for more information to be gathered.

**Proposed: Cllr Plummer; Seconded: Cllr Rowe**

**Agreed to DEFER**

**Raising money for a commemorative seat for Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

It was agreed that the PC would receive a seat from the VCG to be placed on Parish land – location to be agreed.

**Proposed: Cllr Plummer; Seconded: Cllr Rowe**

**Agreed**

**7. PLANNING MATTERS:****7.1 Applications:**

P/LBC/2022/00962 Proposal: Repair and replace existing roof tiles.

Location: The Old Rectory. Greenhayes, Okeford Fitzpaine

**No Objection**

**7.2 Planning Decisions: None****7.3 Other Planning Matters: None****8. REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

Meeting took place on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022. P/FUL/2021/05436 Darknoll Farm Darknoll Lane Okeford Fitzpaine DT11 0RP. Change of use & conversion of storage barn to form two bedroom property for the purpose of a holiday let.

**No Objection**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 MEETING:**

- DAPTC Chief Exec bulletin x 5
- DAPTC E-News x 5
- Latest news from Dorset Council x 4
- Covid-19 update from Dorset Council,
- NALC EVENTS x3
- NALC NEWSLETTERS
- DCA News
- DCA's Latest News
- TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF VARIOUS PUBLIC FOOTPATHS, OKEFORD FITZPAINE (added to website)
- Member of Public with concerns with parking in Higher St. OF
- Dorset Deserves Better Campaign for Dorset Council to re-think the Local Plan **Proposed to register: Cllr Gartside, seconded Cllr Rowe. ALL IN FAVOUR**
- Parking charges on two properties on Greenhayes - £ 15 per year?
- Resident requesting plans for Village Hal car park details/costs (to be discussed at PC meeting in March)
- Speeding issues in Village and incident with horse box
- Report of a traffic accident for speeding issues around village
- Full dog bin in village hall car park
- Letter from Kernon Kelleher solicitors re commercial Purchase of land lying west of Nethermead, OF and sum of £ 35.20 due to PC.
- Planning application P/LBC/2022/00962 Proposal: Repair and replace existing roof tiles. Location: The Old Rectory, Greenhayes, Okeford Fitzpaine
- Email from Resident of OF informing of resuming Community Speedwatch with 10 trained volunteers on the 9th March after the winter break
- Mud on road from development in Castle Lane

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Minutes approved as a true and accurate record, and signed as so by the Chairman presiding

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**10. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT:**

**Bowey Field: Cllr R Corben:** Quotes for fence repair received. Additional checks required to verify who owns some of the fences before works are carried out. **Cllr Plummer** to investigate Title Deeds of surrounding property. Tree damaged due to recent storms has been assessed. Replacements to be arranged to coincide with Queen's Jubilee tree planting initiative. Additional damaged fences around Bowey to be looked at.

**Recreation Ground/Pavilion**

A letter has been received from the development company in Castle Lane, requesting that some of their vehicles be allowed to park in a cordoned off area of the Pavilion car park, thus relieving the village of some of the parking issues. Any communication by the developer in relation to the traffic management in the village has been poor until now, but it was felt that consideration should be given to this request. **Cllrs Plummer** to reach out to the developers for a meeting.

**Rights of Way/Footpaths: Cllr Gartside:** Any damage caused by recent storms has been assessed and dealt with. A big thank you to the village Rangers. Graham Stanley from Dorset Council is to be contacted by Jeremy Gartside in relation to other issues.

**Transport: NFTR**

**Football Club:** Semi finals taking place Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

**DAPTC: NFTR**

**Village Community Group (VCG):** Defib training needs updating. To be added to next month's Agenda.

**Village Hall:** AGM taking place 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022. All invited. New members and Committee will be voted in.

**History Society:** Next meeting: Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March. Details on noticeboards.

**11. FINANCIAL MATTERS:****11.1 Accounts for Payment:**

Okeford Fitzpaine resolve to approve the sum of £ 1,092.72 the Accounts for payment for January/February.

<b>Payee:</b>	<b>Cheque Nos:</b>	<b>Details:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
Parish Mag Printers	1371	Fippenny News	£ 77.00
British Gas	1372	Pavilion Dec/Jan and Jan/Feb bill	£ 403.42
Seiretto	1373	Fippenny 5yr website domain licence	£ 70.80
Sophie Pearce	1374	Salary and Printer cartridges	£ 541.50

It was Proposed by Cllr Rowe and Seconded by Cllr Plummer that these be paid. This was agreed by the Council.

**11.2 Accounts to be Paid: None**

**11.3 Receipts:** A donation of £ 120 (cash) from the Purbeck Camping Club for hiring the Pavilion car park. Received with thanks.

Sub for Parish Magazine (Cheque) £13.50. Received with thanks.

**NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA:**

**Defib training courses. Costs/coordination.**

**Parish Council meetings venue - to discuss an alternative**

**Dates to be decided for the AGM**

Okeford Fitzpaine Council resolved to note the date of the next meeting as  
**Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 7.30pm to be held in The Pavilion, Castle Lane.**

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 9.30pm.