

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF OKEFORD FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PAVILION, CASTLE LANE ON TUESDAY, 1st November 2022 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr N Plummer (Chairman) and Cllrs R Rowe (Vice-Chairman), R Corben, C Jay, F Light and J Hunt

In attendance: Dorset County Councillor P Batstone
Mrs Karen Rhys, Parish Clerk.

Also present: 7 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES: Cllr S Corben

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS

- a. 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:**
- b. 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 4th October 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Proposed: Cllr R Corben; Seconded: Cllr Hunt

4. DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Budget debates are continuing. State of Dorset Roads a concern. New Highways Officer has been appointed. Reminder to report any road issues, pot holes etc. on line via the Dorset Council portal.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: A member of the Public enquired about possibility of an additional noticeboard in the village.

A member of the public expressed concern about asset stripping at the school and whether the building could be listed as an Asset of Community Value.

Both items added to agenda for December 2022 meeting.

5. UPDATES ON OPEN ITEMS:

Neighbourhood Planning. Cllr Rowe: Development of a Planning Statement is ongoing.

Darknoll Lane: To be discussed again in December 2022

Little/Mill Lane Crossing: Shillingstone PC are pursuing a priority Traffic Regulation Order has to extend the 30-mph speed limit near the Cop-Op up to the Little lane entrance. **Proposed: Cllr Plummer; Seconded Cllr Hunt and ALL IN FAVOUR** for Clerk to write to add OFPC support.

Museum: Cllr S Corben agreed to progress obtaining further quote re woodwork repair

Okeford Fitzpaine Climate Emergency Response: Cllr S Corben: Electrician to provide quotes for LED lighting in PC buildings. Electricity bills will be monitored. Discuss again Dec 2022

Availability of Appropriate Grants: Cllr Rowe: Assisting with seeking grants for new playground Researching & several identified including Comic relief, Youth Fund & Dorset Council.

Blocked Drains/flooding/issues in Village: Cllr S Corben 2 quotes received for broken post replacement. **Proposed: Cllr Hunt; Seconded Cllr Light and ALL IN FAVOUR** to accept quote for £250 and Clerk to instruct. Following course attendance, Cllr Light attended a training course and is now a Flood Warden and will be point of contact for the village.

Resurfacing of Village Hall Car Park: Cllr R Corben. Plans in place to start mid-November.

New Play Area Working Party: Cllr J Hunt: Totem pole of total raised so far to be erected at no cost in corner of play park. Will be relocated to orchard in top corner when project completed with

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bird boxes attached etc. Clerk to instruct – **Proposed: Cllr Hunt; Seconded: Cllr Jay, ALL IN FAVOUR.** Moving of jubilee bench to face south from the green at Mary Gardens. 3 quotes received. Agree to accept quote for £300. **Proposed: Cllr Hunt; Seconded: Cllr R Corben, ALL IN FAVOUR.** Clerk to instruct.

Fippenny News: Cllr Rowe. No feedback received re frequency of publication. **Proposed: Cllr Plummer, Seconded Cllr Hunt and ALL IN FAVOUR** that Fippenny News be distributed FREE bi-monthly to whole village commencing with Feb/Mar 2023 issue.

The Village School: Cllr Rowe: Response from academy confirming site operative is visiting weekly. Clerk to invite academy representative to Dec 2022 meeting.

6 OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Potential of parking issues from visitors to Bowey Field once improvements made. After discussion it was agreed although this may have some impact, parking is available on Lower St.

Replacement Laptop for Clerk - A budget of £500 was agreed for a replacement laptop for the Clerk. **Proposed: Cllr Plummer; Seconded Cllr Rowe. ALL IN FAVOUR.**

7. PLANNING MATTERS:

7.1 Applications:

P/VOC/2022/06210: Erect 2 No dwellings, create new vehicular access with brick piers, sliding metal gate and 1.8 m high boundary wall. Create 4 No parking spaces. (with variation of condition no. 2 of planning permission P/FUL/2022/00841 to amend elevations and floor plans to allow amendments to roof and windows). Banbury Cross Boarding Kennels and Cattery, Angers Lane, Fiddleford, Dorset, DT10 2BY **NO OBJECTION**

P/FUL/2022/05702: Formation of new access to serve dwellings approved under 2-2019-1163-FULL Land to Rear of Stresa House, Lower Street, Okeford Fitzpaine DT11 0RN **NO OBJECTION**

P/FUL/2022/04938: Proposal: Change of use and conversion of barn to form a dwelling (use class C3) Hartcliff Farm Okeford Fitzpaine Blandford Forum DT11 0EF **NO OBJECTION**

7.2 Planning Decisions: none

7.3 Other Planning Matters: For information P/PAAC/2022/01587 **planning appeal** in respect of Change of use and conversation of agricultural building into 1 No. dwelling (Class C3). at Barn East of Castle Lane, Okeford Fitzpaine Blandford Forum DT11 0RL

8. REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMITTEE: No meetings have taken place.

9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR 1st November meeting:

- DAPTC Chief Exec bulletin x 3
- DAPTC E-News x 2
- DAPTC re Community Youth Grant Fund
- Latest news from Dorset Council x 4
- NALC EVENTS x 5
- NALC NEWSLETTERS x5
- DCA News x2
- Dorset Council Latest News x2
- Email Dorset Council re Open Licence applications x 3
- Email DAPTC re 19 Nov AGM
- County Cllr Batstone: Rural Bulletin and Dorset Council Leader's bulletin

- Email from Parishioner: RE: vandalism. Dog fouling signs in Bowey Field, concrete bags in stream and damage to timber post – **Cllr Jay to follow up**
- Email from parishioner: re potential of parking issues from visitors to Bowey Playing Field once improvements made.
- Email from School Academy confirming site operative visiting to check the site each week.
- Email with presentation pack from Planning Update meeting at Corn Exchange
- Email Volunteering Dorset – Making Christmas Great Again
- Email Flood Wessex re flood warden training – **Cllr Light now Flood Warden**
- Email Dorset council re Temporary road closure Coniger Knap, Higher Ansty
- Letters from SSE re electric rate increasing
- Email from Parishioner re possibility of 2nd noticeboard in village
- Email Cllr S Corben re heating at Pavilion and apologies

10 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

Bowey Field. Cllr R Corben: Nothing to report.

Recreation Ground/Pavilion: Cllr S Corben (via email): Heating not working. Clerk to contact TES.

Rights of Way/Footpaths. Jeremy Gartside: Nothing to report.

Transport: Nothing to report.

Village Hall: New curtains purchased

Football Club. Cllr S Corben: No updates received

DAPTC: Cllr Plummer: AGM 19th Nov

Village Community Group (VCG). Sue Finklaire: Minutes of recent meeting will be in Fippenny News and online. £200 agreed donation for Xmas church lighting, looking into Best Kept Village competition 2023, finalising village welcome pack, on line auction raised £641 for Xmas lunch/party with another auction commencing shortly and asking for suggestions for beneficiaries. Tuesday café up and running, Mud Pie Café has table tennis equipment for hire, Renewed £250 film Licence.

Church Matters: Cllr Jay: gift raising day - £250 was collected, New disabled friendly access is being laid in churchyard, outside service for Remembrance Day Sunday 13th November 10.45am. Quiz & Curry Night 19th November – all welcome. The Vodafone mast is being chased.

11 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

11.1 Accounts for Payment:

Okeford Fitzpaine resolve to approve the sum of **£1739.78** as the Accounts for payment for October.

Payee:	Cheque Nos:	Details:	Amount:
Water2Business	DD	Water for Pavilion	£ 60.50
Jerry Ellis	1539	Mower service /repair	810.00
Parish Mag printers	1540	Oct Fippenny news	227.00
Sophie Pearce	1541	Clerk's salary	148.82
Karen Rhys	1542	Clerk's salary	351.04
DAPTC	1543	Clerk's course	30.00
RBL	1544	Poppy Wreath	20.00
British Gas	1545	Pavilion	92.42

11.2 Accounts to be Paid: None

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11.3 Receipts:

£13,390.00 Precept received 30.9.22, £540.80 – draft minutes stated £552.80 cash (donations and subs) which was an agreed admin error and was corrected.

11.4 Any Other Financial Matters:

Direct debit for British Gas to be set up

Electricity price increase notification. Clerk to write to find out what fixed tariffs are available and to challenge why there cannot be a meter at Museum.

Donation of £420 re upkeep of churchyard, previously agreed to now be paid.

Courses for Clerk - Agenda/Minutes/Report writing £40, New Clerk induction £35 approved

12 NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA:

Additional Noticeboard for the Village

List the School as an Asset of Community Value

Okeford Fitzpaine Council resolved to note the date of the next meeting as **Tuesday 6th December 2022 at 7.30pm to be held in The Pavilion, Castle Lane.**

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.50pm.