SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsbury Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 7pm at Symondsbury School. **These minutes will be ratified at the February Parish Council Meeting.**

PRESENT: Cllrs Sir Philip Colfox, S Holmes, A Streatfeild, S Ainley, S Ralph, J Tinker and J Roddy. In attendance: Marilyn Stone, Clerk. Two members of the public were present. All names were recorded in the Attendance book.

Democratic Half Hour during which members of the public are invited to raise matters of interest:

Representatives from the Dorset National Park Team provided a synopsis on the proposed National Park for Dorset. The Glover Review was asked to consider how our designated landscapes (National Parks and AONBs) could do even more for our communities, local economy and environment in the 21st Century. It proposes that Dorset should be considered for National Park status and there have been 10 to date. The timescale is 3 to 4 years and are awaiting an initial Government response. The National Park is a specialised local authority run by local people; the planning authority for its area. They are a close partner for Dorset Council: work together on shared agenda for thriving rural Dorset, shared Planning Team, and joint Local Plan. They are not against development but they work with communities to meet local needs including truly affordable homes. It is an opportunity to regain local control of planning across Dorset.

Information from DC Councillors and Dorset Police: No reports were available.

971 To receive and approve apologies for absence: Apologies had been received from Councillors D Bolwell, K Clayton and S Williams.

972 Declarations of Interest: None.

973 To approve the Minutes of last meeting: The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2019 were approved and signed.

974 Chairman's Announcements: Nothing to report.

975 Clerk's Report: The clerk asked all councillors to provide up to date contact telephone numbers. The clerk also asked if any councillor would like to attend the forthcoming workshop regarding the Dorset Local Plan on 3rd February and ClIr Streatfeild will attend.

976 Finance: a) **Bank Balances**: Current account: £6,006.84 Deposit: £25,353.02

b) **Payments of Account for approval**: i) Clerk's Salary. On the proposition of Cllr Streatfeild, seconded by Cllr Ainley, it was **Resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

977 Planning Applications and to consider any other planning/enforcement issues:

WD/D/19/001237 SITE OF COLSTON, WEST CLIFF ROAD, WEST BAY - Notification of amended plan/description - ClIrs Streatfeild and Holmes will visit the property on 15th January and report their findings to the Clerk.

WD/D/19/002787 TENTERDEN, BROAD LANE, BRIDPORT, DT6 5JY - Erection of two-storey extension & alterations. The erection of a garage/store with ancillary accommodation above – **No objection.**

The Clerk reported that no decision had been finalised in respect of WD/D/19/001553 - Erection of 4 no. dwellings with associated parking on LAND WEST OF WATTON HOUSE FARM, WATTON LANE, BRIDPORT.

978 Water Supply to Pine View/West Road Allotments: The Clerk reported that she had not yet received a quote from Chris Scadding and will chase for quotations in relation to the digging up and installing a pipe from the water cock outside near the garages at Pine View together with one or two water troughs.

979 Consultation: Strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments: Cllr Streatfeild will complete the questionnaire and return.

980 Request to support the Local Electricity Bill: Cllr Roddy advised that she is attending an Energy Local.org.uk meeting on Monday and will investigate further.

981 Refresh of the Dorset Heathland Framework Supplementary Planning Document 2020 to 2025: No heathlands within the Parish of Symondsbury. No further action.

982 Reports from lead members:

- a) Footpaths Cllr Ralph reported that there have been deep ruts made within some footpaths by mountain bikes. He also advised that he will meeting the lengthsman regarding the footpath alongside the A35. Cllr Holmes reported that a footpath within Eype is near falling into a calvert which could have an adverse effect to a main sewage pipe.
- b) A35 The forthcoming meeting has been cancelled as Chris Loader will not be available.
- c) Transport Nothing new to report.
- d) Allotments Nothing to report.
- e) Resilience Cllr Streatfeild advised that any communication should be forwarded to Pelham Allen.
- f) Coastal Matters Nothing new to report.
- g) DAPTC Nothing new to report.
- h) BLAP Report Both Cllr Colfox and the Clerk will attend the next parish liaison meeting on Wednesday 22nd January at 4.15pm.
- i) Lengthsman Link Cllr Ralph will ask the lengthsman to look at some blocked drains.
- j) Tree Officer Nothing new to report.
- k) Ancient Monuments Nothing new to report.
- Symene Voice Councillor Roddy would like ideas by the meeting in February 2020 for the next edition.
- m) Neighbourhood Plan The Referendum version has been distributed. A flyer will be organised to encourage people to vote by the deadline of 27th February. The clerk to contact the Symondsbury Primary to ask whether they can send out to parents. Cllr Streatfeild proposed whether Symondsbury Parish Council could help to cover costs of up to £100. On the proposition of Cllr Streatfeild, seconded by Cllr Ralph, it was **Resolved** that the above would be paid.

- n) Finger Posts Nothing new to report.
- o) Symene CLT Nothing new to report.
- p) Community Governance Review Nothing new to report.
- q) Climate Emergency Cllr Roddy said that we should get serious about this. The Clerk suggested that we could incorporate this within the Annual Meeting. It was agreed to place this on next month's Agenda for further discussion.

983 New Projects – A35 Underpass, Planning Protocol (engaging earlier), New website and use of social media – Underpass: A representative from Hallam Land will be attending our meeting in February. The clerk read communication from a supporter of the proposed scheme. Planning
Protocol: Cllr Colfox to produce a first draft. Internet: The new Facebook page has already started.

984 Correspondence List: The list for December/January had been previously circulated.

985 Items for inclusion at our next meeting February: Allotment at Pine View, Projects, National Park (The Glover Review), Annual Meeting/Climate Emergency, Hallam Land.

986 To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 11th February 2020 at Symondsbury School at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.44pm

Signed..... Councillor Sir Philip Colfox

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