

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th January 2019. **These minutes will be ratified at our meeting in February 2019.**

Those present: Cllrs B Driscoll, J Roddy, S Ralph, S Ainley, P Colfox, A Streatfeild, and S Holmes. In attendance: Marilyn Stone, Clerk. No members of the public were present.

Democratic Half Hour: None.

Information from DCC, WDDC Councillors and Dorset Police: None.

797 To receive and approve apologies for absence: Apologies had been received from Cllr Tinker and Cllr Christopher which had been accepted.

798 Declarations of Interest: Cllr Colfox – item 805.

799 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2018: The minutes of the last meeting held on 11th December 2018 were approved and signed.

800 Chairman's Announcements: Cllr Driscoll wished everyone a Happy New Year.

801 Clerks Report: The clerk advised that she had purchased a new laptop and is set up and running. The Clerk spoke of the forthcoming Buckingham Palace Garden Party in May and if anyone would like to propose Cllr Driscoll to be nominated. **Proposed by Cllr Streatfeild and seconded by Cllr Roddy.** The Clerk will put forward the application to DAPTC.

801 Finance a) Bank Balances: Current £7,459.86 Deposit £20,148.18

b) Payment of account for approval: i) Clerks salary ii) Townsend Bearings (Finger post project) £60.00, iii) MJ Stone reimbursement re new laptop £622.98. On the proposition of Cllr Ralph and seconded by Cllr Streatfeild, it was **resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

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

WD/D/18/002788 – Whitelands, Mount Lane, Eype, Bridport, DT6 6AL – Erect 1 dwelling (demolish existing) – The new two storey building will be pushed further back than the existing property which is better. However, an undertaking should be made that the overall mass does not destroy the existing character of the existing buildings.

WD/D/18/002868 – 2 Billets Mead, Symondsburry, Bridport, DT6 6HA – Fell corkscrew willow – reduce by 2 metres – Work has already been done.

WD/D/18/002962 – Dairy House, Watton Lane – Certificate of Lawfulness – existing use of outbuilding as self contained unit – No action.

803 Shutes Lane Parking and Signage The clerk reported that a speed survey will cost £250 and can be actioned within 2 weeks. Cllr Colfox has been in contact with The Head Teacher, Emma Roberts, of Symondsburry Primary School, to advise that staff, including teaching assistants, and visitors, can park in the Estate car park within designated parking areas. Teachers, however, will continue to park nearer the school in view of the amount they have to carry. Cllr Roddy reported that a 20mph zone would require 'sleeping policemen' and a 20mph is the limit. There is some debate as to

whether it is enforceable and the clerk to pursue this. Cllr Colfox advised that an application to County Council to have a brown sign on the triangle to direct the public to the Estate car park to get to Colmers Hill has been rejected. The Parish Council will contact the County Council to support the application. Cllr Colfox also added that the Estate will be providing marshalling at bigger events.

804 Verges: Nothing new to report.

805 Flagpole Funding Request: Cllr Colfox left the room - A request had been received from Symondsburry Estate for a possible donation towards the flagpole on Colmers Hill. It is used for the benefit of the community; a grant of £200 was **agreed**.

806 Water Supply to Pine View/West Road Allotments: Sophie Calvert, of Wessex Water, has communicated with Cllr Ainley regarding the exact location etc. and the proposition is in hand.

807 Reports from lead members:

- a **Footpaths** – Nothing to report.
- b **A35** – Meeting due on 1st February 2019.
- c **Transport** – Cllr Driscoll advised Sunday services will recommence on 7th April 2019. The Summer timetable looks very similar to last year, with an hourly service between Bridport and Lyme Regis daily. The 'Bridport Town Bus' (no. 7), which operates Wednesdays and Saturdays, was free for all users during December; this did not make a significant impact on the passenger numbers. There are plans to alter the route, and it will definitely continue to operate until at least August, when a decision will be made on its long term future.
- d **Allotments** – The new owners of 1 Grove View would like to take on the existing allotment. The clerk advised that there is no waiting list and await communication from the new owners in due course.
- e **Resilience** –Cllr Streatfeild reported that it was all under control.
- f **Coastal Matters** – Cllr Colfox had previously raised concerns with regards to the following planning application to a professor - which he confirmed were unfounded:

WD/D/18/002112	WEST BAY COASTAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME, ESPLANADE TO QUAYSIDE WEST SIDE BASIN, WEST BAY	The West Bay Coastal Improvements Scheme involves flood defence works within West Bay, including: West Beach - repairs and strengthening to the existing western groyne and construction of a new stub groyne (eastern groyne), beach recharge to build up the design profile of the beach, and improvements and raising of the property wall on the northern side of the road running along the promenade (Esplanade); East Beach - Construction of a buried rock (Full)
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However, he has been advised that the incorrect gravel, a red stone, is being used and sourced from Woodbury, Exeter rather than from Chard which is where the existing materials had been sourced originally. The new gravel is said to look better and last longer. Concerns were raised regarding the pea gravel being washed into the harbour and subsequently being out back on West Beach may have a potential contamination threat. The existing groyne should be extended to help eliminate waves washing the stone away. It was also felt that a briefing from the engineer about the project would be beneficial. The clerk to reply accordingly.

- g **DAPTC** – Nothing to report.

- h **BLAP** – Liaison meeting will take place on Wednesday 23rd January at 4.15pm.
- i **Lengthsman Link** - Noticeboard in Broadoak has been mended.
- j **Tree Officer** – Nothing to report.
- k **Ancient Monuments** – Nothing to report.
- l **Symene Voice** – New items are required by Monday 21st January by councillors. It will be A4 size x 4 pages. To include the information of the Annual Meeting.
- m **Neighbourhood Plan** – The report had previously been circulated. Cllr Streatfeild reported that it was unlikely that the referendum would get under way at the same time as elections. Cllr Streatfeild asked the councillors if it was felt that Eype should be separate settlement due to its different community status, it has different needs and this was agreed.
- n **Finger Posts** – Nothing new to report.
- o **Symene Community Land Trust** – Nothing to report.
- p **Planning** – Nothing else to report.
- q **Local Governance Review** – Nothing new to report.

808 Correspondence and information for distribution per attached listing (December): The list had been previously circulated.

809 Items for inclusion on February Agenda: Water supply allotments, Annual meeting/guest speaker.

810 To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th February 2019 at Symondsburry School at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.42pm.