

VALE OF ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

**of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, held at 7.30 pm in Witchampton Village Hall
on Tuesday 19th September 2017**

PRESENT

Cllr Mr J. Campbell - Chairman

Cllr Mr S. Wathen – Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs S. Gilchrist, Cllr Mrs M. Cook, , Cllr Mrs P. Hill,

Also present were County Councillor Mr S. Butler, and the Parish Clerk Mrs K. Bradbury

17/81. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from: Cllr Ms D. White, Cllr Mr R. Hill and District Councillor Mr S. Tong.

17/82. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest to report.

17/83. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING

There were no requests for dispensations to report.

17/84. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

17/85. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON – Tuesday 22nd August 2017

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 22nd August 2017 (pages (1214 - 1217) were approved and signed as a true record

17/86. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute No 17/79/(a), Ward Budget Allocation: Cllr J. Campbell reported that he would be attending a meeting of ward chairmen and District Cllr S. Tong to discuss the allocation of the ward budget on “6th September 2017. Suggested items for consideration were 1) Community Sign for Witchampton First School, 2) Upgrading the disabled toilets at the Drover’s Inn and the experiment with wildflower verges.

17/87. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**Cllr Mr S. Butler**

- a. **Local government Reform:** Nothing has been heard from the Secretary of State on the subject of Local Government Reform and the 2019 deadline implementation is unlikely to be met. The idea of having rural Mayors appears to have been put on hold for the time being.
- b. **East Dorset District Council:** the District Council is still on budget and should be within the guidelines for the next financial year.
- c. **Planning Training:** while the planning training was useful it highlighted the fact the current process is very confusing and that enforcement is poor.
- d. **Health & Wellbeing:** The district Council is introducing Dementia Walks at West Moors Country Park. There is a G.P. referral system in place for exercise; e.g. gym membership, swimming and walking. Volunteers are being trained as helpers. There is also a scheme in Christchurch that is helping people to learn how to cook meals from scratch. It is planned to extend the scheme to Heatherlands, Tricketts Cross in the near future.
- e. **Dorset County Council Budget:** To make the necessary savings, jobs are not being filled and the capital programme is being delayed. The intervention in early years support is being re-shaped to help families early in order to prevent problems later on when they are more entrenched. This is partly through the setting up of a Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub comprised of police, social workers, health visitors and education departments working together on any serious referrals that occur. The system appears to be working well and is solving problems that arise.

17/88. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no report this month

17/89. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT

- a. **Finance Working Group:** It was unanimously resolved to adopt Cllr S. Wathen as a member of the Finance Working Group. Proposed by Cllr Mrs P. Hill and seconded by Cllr Mrs M. Cook
- b. **Parish Clerk's Report:** It was unanimously resolved to refer the following agenda items to the next meeting on 17th October 2017. Affordable Housing; C2 Road at Stanbridge Pumping Station; Lime Trees at Witchampton. Proposed by Cllr Mrs M. Cook and seconded by Cllr Mrs P. Hill.
- c. **DAPTC Training**

Date	Time	Course	Venue	Cost
Thursday 21 st Sept	10.00 – 4.00	Clerk's Seminar	Kingston Maurward	£60
Tuesday 3 rd October	7.00 – 9.00	Essentials for Councillors Part 1	Leigh Village Hall	£65 for both sessions
Thursday 12 th October	10.00 – 12noon	Budgeting and precepts	Dorset Youth Association	£35
Saturday 4 th November	9.30 – 1.00pm	DAPTC AGM	Council Chamber – DCC	N/A
Tuesday 7 th November	7.00 – 9.00	Essentials for Councillors Part 2	Leigh Village Hall	£65 for both sessions

17/90. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Application No:	Location	Proposal	Type
3/17/2548	5 – 6 Yew Trees, The Buildings Row, Manswood	Internal alterations to ground and first floor. Ground floor – remove stud wall between study and lounge and remove $\frac{3}{4}$ winder staircase (being one of two staircases) to create a larger lounge. First floor – remove stud walls between bathroom, stairwell and landing and reconfigure bedroom and en-suite	LBC
3/17/2324	Forest View, Gaunts Common	(Retrospective) erection of boundary wall to front	HOU
3/17/2467	Horseshoes Farm, Holt	Erect replacement two storey property with detached garage following demolition of existing two storey property	FUL
3/17/1830	Fountain Cottage, Hinton Martell	Dormer window on rear garden elevation of garage	HOU

Parish Council comments on Planning Applications

- a. **Planning Application 3/17/2548/LBC, 5-6 Yew Trees, The Buildings Row, Manswood.** Parish Council comment – SUPPORT – for the following reasons: the Parish Council approves the removal of the staircase and stud walls which were constructed from inappropriate materials and which did not maintain the integrity of the original building. It is proposed to replace the MDF and modern studwork and plasterboard with a new oak beam to indicate the position of the stud wall and to finish the walls with traditional lime plaster. The application to go to committee only if the Parish Council comments are at variance with the recommendations of the case officer.
- b. **Planning Application 3/17/2324, Forest View, Gaunts Common.** Parish Council comment NO OBJECTION.
- c. **Planning Application 3/17/2467, Horseshoes Farm, Holt.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.
- d. **Planning Application 3/17/1830, Fountain Cottage, Hinton Martell.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.

17/91. EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

Application No:	Location	Proposal	Decision
3/17/1493 /HOU	Buddens Cottage, 329 Horseshoes – Gaunts Common Lane, H. Martell	To demolish sections A and B of hay barn and 2 stables but completely retain existing section C, then re-build sections A and B on the same footprint with similar new materials to match original	Permit
3/17/1113 /FUL	Hazelwood Barn, Fountain – Clay Hill track, Hinton Martell	Change of use of outbuilding to dwelling	Refuse

3/17/1880 /HOU	1 Crows Nest bungalows, Moor Crichel	Detached double garage, turning and access to highway as amended by plans received 15/08/17	Permit
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17/92. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

- a. **3/17/2436/TCA, Millstream House, The Paddock, Mead Street – Harley Lane, Gussage All Saints:** To fell 1) Horse Chestnut, 2) Apple, 3) Birch, 4) Field Maple. The Parish Council had no objection
- b. **3/17/2557/TCA, Millstream House, The Paddock, Mead Street – Harley Lane, Gussage All Saints:** T1) Horse Chestnut – remove first lateral over wall, crown thin by up to 20%. Fell T2) Birch, T4) Apple, T6) Norwegian Maple. T7) Ash – Tip prune up to 1meter on south-eastern side. T3) Beech – reduce first and third lateral over boundary wall by maximum 3 meters; crown lift up to 4 meters by removal of second tertiary branches. the Parish Council had no objection

17/93. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a **Authorisation and payment of Cheques:** The cheques having been approved were signed by Cllr Mrs S. Gilchrist and Cllr Mr J. Campbell

Details		Amount (£)	V.A.T	Cheque Total	Cheque No:
1	K. Bradbury, Clerk's Salary August 2017	337.05	0.00	337.05	892
2	HMRC PAYE due August 2017	68.26	0.00	68.26	893
3	C.T. Mee, Burial Ground Aug & Sept, R&BT Seat Aug & Sept, 4xBus Shelters Aug and Mans'd Seat Sept	247.00	0.00	247.00	894
4	DAPTC Annual Conference re- issue of cancelled cheque 000872	60.00	0.00	60.00	895
5	H. Martell Village Hall Hire 2016	60.00	0.00	60.00	896
Total		772.31	0.00	772.31	

17/94. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **Local Councils Update:** September 2017 Edition
- b. **Clerks and Councils Direct:** September 2017 issue
- c. **Local Council Review:** Autumn 2017 edition

17/95. MATTERS OF INFORMATION

There were no Matters of Information to report.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Signed.....
Chairman

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