

<b>VALE OF ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL</b>
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<b>MINUTES</b>
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**of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, held at 7.00.pm Witchampton Village Hall  
on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2015**

**PRESENT**

**Cllr Mr D. Gill – Chairman**

**Cllr Mr J. Campbell – Vice-Chairman**

**Cllr Mr S. Wathen, Cllr Mrs M. Cook, Cllr Ms D. White, Cllr Mrs P. Hill, Cllr Mr R. Hill**

**Also present were the Parish Clerk Mrs K. Bradbury and District Councillor Mr S.S. Tong**

**Mr Ben Bennetts:** from East Dorset District Council attended the meeting to demonstrate two projectors suitable for displaying planning applications. In future as soon as a plan is registered notification of planning the application will be sent to the Clerk by e-mail with a direct link to the planning website. All plans and correspondence will be scanned into the system and will be accessible to the Clerk and Councillors. Comments on planning applications will be made by the Clerk via a secure link. Previous planning applications will be scanned into the system to give as much background history as possible. The Dell 1610HD model was considered to give the best resolution for viewing of planning Applications. The Chairman thanked Mr Bennetts for attending the meeting and explaining the new system.

**15/083. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs S. Gilchrist and County Councillor Mr S. Butler.

**15/084. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest to report.

**15/085. DISPENSATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A VOTE ON AN AGENDA ITEM**

There were no requests for dispensations.

**15/086. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**15/087. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015 (pages (1084 - 1087) having been approved, were adopted and signed as a true and correct record.

**15/088. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a. **Minute No 15/075/(a),Ward Budgets** A meeting of Parish Council Chairmen to discuss ward allocations has been arranged for 12<sup>th</sup> October.

**15/089. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

There was no report.

**15/090. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT****Cllr Mr S.S. Tong**

- a. **Great Dorset Steam Fair:** A de-briefing meeting has been arranged. There have not been any adverse comments regarding the running of the Steam Fair this year. Cllr Mr J. Campbell and the Clerk will attend.
- b. **New S.E. Dorset Unitary Authority:** There are two parallel proposals in the pipeline.
  - i. One proposal is for a combined Dorset County Authority encompassing all nine authorities in Dorset (i.e. all District and Borough Councils). The advantages would be a combined Dorset wide strategy for economic growth and development and presenting a single unified voice when negotiating with National Government.
  - ii. The second proposal is for a S.E. Unitary Authority including the Boroughs of Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch and East Dorset District Council. The Borough Councils would continue to act much as Town Councils do but the District Council has a wider remit and works in conjunction with its towns and Parishes. There is a danger that East Dorset District Council could become marginalised and would therefore need to develop a much stronger system of local governance so that the District can speak with confidence for their communities.

**15/091. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. **Fingerposts:** Sources of funding for refurbishment of fingerposts were discussed and it was considered that an action plan for refurbishment over the next three years would be needed. **It was resolved to set up a Fingerposts Working Group to include Cllr Mr J. Campbell, Cllr Mrs M. Cook, Cllr Mrs P. Hill, and Cllr Mr S. Wathen.** It was noted that volunteers from the respective villages should be co-opted to the group.
- b. **Blind Summit Gussage All Saints:** Notification was received that the request for "SLOW" markings on the bend at Castle View Farm has been put on the schedule of works.
- c. **Ask Dorset:** Visits from the Ask Dorset Team have ended for this year the Clerk will investigate the possibility of holding the Ask Dorset reviews during the Annual Parish Meetings next May.
- d. **Superfast Broadband:** The Clerk distributed posters and leaflets advertising the roll out of Superfast Broadband. Councillors were requested to distribute them to local residents and encourage them to register an interest with Outreach as this would encourage them to install broadband over a wider area..
- e. **Temporary Road Closure, Gussage All Saints:** The Clerk reported that she has been in touch with the person responsible for advertising the road closure and it is hoped that late notification should not happen again. It was noted that a number of warning signs were placed in dangerous positions e.g. on a blind corner and in the visibility splay on the top road.
- f. **Community Infrastructure Levy:** Notification was received of changes to the announced adoption of the Levy. The process has gone back for a further round of consultation. Details [dorsetforyou.com/407160](http://dorsetforyou.com/407160) deadline for comments 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- g. **Flooding, Long Cricchel:** It was reported that some drains have been cleared but that one culvert that empties on to Cricchel Estate land needs

permission from the landowner. Dorset Waste Partnership has not swept the road at Holly Grove

- h. **Alms House, Witchampton:** A letter has been sent to Savills about the hedge.
- i. **Budget & Precept:** The date for the meeting of the Finance Working Group to set the budget was arranged for Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- j. **Website:** A meeting with two website designers was arranged for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

**k. DAPTC Training Seminars:**

Date	Time	Course	Cost	Venue
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> September	7.00 – 9.00pm	Chairmen & Clerks get together	£30 for two	Dorset County Council Offices
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> October	10.00 – 12 noon	Budgeting & Precepts	£30	Tarrant Keynston Village Hall
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30 – 9.00pm	New Councillors & Code of Conduct	£30	Tarrant Keynston Village Hall
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	9.30 – 1.00pm	DAPTC AGM	N/A	Council Chamber Dorset County Council

Cllr Mr D. Gill to attend the Chairmen & Clerks get together and also the Budgeting and Precepts seminar.

**15/092. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Application No:	Location	Proposal	Type
3/15/0842	Green Pastures, Hinton Martell	Construction of a workshop/store to replace the existing sheds. To provide a less cluttered and more practical use of the garden space	LBC
3/15/0853	Hazelwood Cottage, Hinton Martell	<b>Two side extensions to turn into holiday lets</b>	COU
3/15/0999/	Millum Hinton Martell Wimborne	Non material amendment to P/A 3/15/0412/FUL to demolish existing dwelling and replace with a new dwelling	NMC

**15/093. EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS**

Application No:	Location	Proposal	Decision
3/15/0603	Church of St Mary, Moor Crichel	Re-roofing and associated structural timber repairs, masonry repairs, stained glass cleaning repairs and conservation, and door repairs	<b>Permit</b>

**15/094. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no other planning matters to report.

**15/095. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

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

	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount (£)</b>	<b>Cheque No:</b>
1	K. Bradbury, Clerk's Salary Aug 2015	271.77	769
2	Inland Revenue PAYE Aug 2015	56.92	770
3	C.T. Mee Bus Shelters August 2015	60.00	771
4	Henry Giles H. Martell Notice board deposit	321.00	772
	<b>Total</b>	709.69	

**b Other Financial Matters**

None

**15/096. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. **Help & Care:** Partnership between NHS and Dorset County Council providing training workshops for carers
- b. **Cranborne Chase Wood Fair:** Breamore House, Fordingbridge on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October
- c. **Clerks and Councils Direct:** September 2015 issue
- d. **Local Council Review:** Autumn 2015 issue

**15/097. MATTERS OF INFORMATION**

- a. **Grit Bins:** it was reported that grit bins will be refilled during October. Councillors were asked to check the bins in their area. Cllr Mr R. Hill agreed to investigate suitable clasps for the bins to keep them closed during windy weather.
- b. **H. Martell Village Hall:** the Management Committee has been in touch with Wilbert Smith and has drawn up proposals for development of the Village Hall. Mrs Jackie Warfe has made a request to attend the October meeting to discuss the proposals.
- c. **H. Martell Water Rates:** Cllr Mr S. Wathen will take another water meter reading for the H. Martell Fountain and will continue to take the reading quarterly.
- d. **Public Footway H. Martell:** The footway outside "Martins" has become overgrown with moss and is a danger to pedestrians. The Clerk was asked to contact Pat Waterman.
- e. **Verge Cutting H. Martell:** It was reported that the strimmer threw up a stone that broke a window in one of the houses in the village.
- f. **Drovers Inn:** It was reported that negotiations with the owners of the property are progressing nicely.

**Meeting closed at 9.27 pm**

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman