

<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 7.30 pm in Hinton Martell Village Hall on  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**PRESENT**

**Cllr Mr J. Campbell - Chairman**

**Cllr Mr S. Wathen – Vice Chairman**

**Cllr Mrs S. Gilchrist, Cllr Ms D. White, Cllr Mrs M. Cook, Cllr Mrs J. Manson,**

**Cllr Mrs P. Hill, Cllr Mr R. Hill**

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

**17/171. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies to report.

**17/172. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY CLLR MRS J. MANSON  
REPRESENTING WITCHAMPTON WARD ON THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Cllr Mrs J. Manson read out and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Parish Clerk

**17/173. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

**17/174. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING**

There were no requests for dispensations to report.

**17/175. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**17/176. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON – Tuesday 6th  
February 2018**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 (pages 1246 - 1250) were approved and signed as a true record

**17/177. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a. **Minute No 17/164(d) Rights of Way Liaison:** Cllr Mr S. Wathen attended the meeting about Rights of Way and distributed notes that he had made of the meeting.

**17/178. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

- a. **Council Tax:** The County Council increased its budget by 5.99%, East Dorset District Council by 2.99% and Parish and Town Councils by an average of 10%. Regular reduction of the Rate Support Grant means that it will have reduced to zero within the next couple of years

- b. **Adult & Social Care:** Currently Adult & Social Care take up 46% of the County Council budget and are expected to rise over the next few years. 28% of the population of Dorset is over the age of 60 compared to 18% nationally. As costs of care are rising a lot of self funded people are running out of money and falling back on County Council provision. Another problem is that due to rising costs a number of nursing homes are reverting to being simply care homes and not providing extra nursing care.

### **17/179 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**Local Government Reorganisation:** After next April the County Council will cease to exist and will be replaced by two Unitary Authorities. Savings on the removal of the third tier of Local Government will be a short lived gain. The role of Town and Parish Council is likely to expand as they are forced to take on more responsibilities such as dealing with pot-holes and cutting grass verges. At present it is not at all clear how Towns & Parishes will operate alongside the Unitary Authority as on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 all District Councillors will disappear to be replaced by newly elected Unitary Councillors.

### **17/180. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. **Advertisement for the Post of Parish Clerk:** The advertisement was circulated to members and approved for insertion into the Stour & Avon and Blackmore Vale Community Magazines for two weeks and also with the DAPTC.
- b. **Housing Needs Survey:** The draft Housing Needs Survey had been circulated to all members. The Parish Council had no comments to make regarding the draft but wished to be kept informed of the results of the survey.
- c. **Website Future Diary Dates:** The Clerk was informed of some changes in the dates in the calendar of activities.

#### **d. DAPTC Training**

Cllr Mr S. Wathen agreed to attend the Seminar on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March; General Data Protection Regulations update

Friday 9 March	10.00am - 3.30pm	<b>Annual Conference</b>	£70 to inc refreshments and a full 2 course lunch	Kingston Maurward College, Nr Dorchester DT2 8PX	Programme for the day will be available in due course; the day will be informative and relevant to all.	All
Thursday 15 March	10-12.30	<b>Nearly new clerks **</b>	£40	Dorset Youth Association, Dorchester, DT1 1QL	<b>** Available to clerks who attended the 2017 new clerks course.</b> Trainer – Debbie Hollings <b>Max no: 16</b>	Clerks
Monday 26 March TBC	Am session: 9.30-11.30am or Pm session: 12.30-2.30pm	<b>General Data Protection Regulations update</b>	TBC	Athelhampton House, Athelhampton, Dorchester, DT2 7LG TBC	Robert Long, Audit Team Leader and Information Security Lead at Audit West.	All
Tuesday 27 March	10-12.30	<b>Essentials for Councillors</b>	£40	Dorset Youth Association, Dorchester, DT1 1QL	Trainer – Tony Gibb <b>Max no: 16</b>	Councillors

**17/181. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

<b>Application No:</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Type</b>
3/18/0188	Walnut Tree Cottage, Gussage All Saints	Addition of garden room, staircase, rebuild chimney, add wood burner and various windows and doors – remove old “car port” structure	FUL
3/18/0189	Walnut Tree Cottage, Gussage All Saints	Addition of garden room, staircase, rebuild chimney, add wood burner and various windows and doors – remove old “car port” structure	LBC
3/18/0212	Hedge End, Rooks Hill, Gaunts Common	Alterations under a replacement extended dormer roof including a side extension	HOU

**Parish Council Comments on Planning Applications**

- a. **Planning Application 3/18/0188/FUL and 3/18/0189/LBC, Walnut Tree Cottage, Gussage All Saints.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.
- b. **Planning Application 3/0212/HOU, Hedge End, Rooks Hill, Gaunts Common.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.

**17/182. EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS**

<b>Application No:</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Decision</b>
3/17/3414/ HOU	Elm Tree Cottage, Gussage All Saints	Retain detached annexe(Retrospective)	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/2415/ LBC	Elm Tree Cottage, Gussage All Saints	Construct detached annexe(Retrospective)	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/2857/ FUL	Land adjoining Summer Hill, Gussage All Saints	Erecre 2no dwellings with associated parking. Departure from the development plan as the site is outside the village infilling boundary	<b>Refuse</b>
3/18/0130/ NMA	Amen Cottage, Gussage All Saints	Non material amendment to PA 3/16/2921/HOU – to relocate the glazing	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3601/ HOU	Harley, Gussage All Saints	Extension to existing garage	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3230/ HOU	2 Crows Nest Bungalows, Moor Crichel	Single storey extension to existing house. Workshop to rear of property as amended by plans received 31/01/18 to relocate workshop	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3605/ HOU	Finch Lea Cottage, Gaunts Common	Front side and rear extensions	<b>Permit</b>

**17/183. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

- a. **3/18/0162/TCA, Bobbin Holme, Emley Lane, Hinton Martell:** T1 Maple – crown reduce by up to 1metre in height to previous pruning points. **Permit**
- b. **3/18/0295/TCA, 1 Jessamine Cottages, Witchampton:** T1 Cypress – Fell. **Permit**

**17/184. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

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

	Details	Amount (£)	V.A.T	Cheque Total	Cheque No:
1	K. Bradbury, Clerk's Salary Feb 2018	337.05	0.00	337.05	927
2	HMRC PAYE due Feb 2018	68.26	0.00	68.26	928
3	Davids of Wimborne - New roof on Witchampton Club Bus Shelter	1150.00	230.00	1380.00	929
4	C.T. Mee Bus Shelters x 4 and Annual Seat Maintenance	193.00	0.00	193.00	930
	<b>Total</b>	1231.81	230.00	1978.31	

- b **Witchampton Bus Shelter Seats:** The seats are in a very poor condition and a decision is needed as to what is to be done with them. Refer to the next Parish Council meeting.

**17/185. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. **Clerks & Councils Direct:** March 2018 issue  
b. **Cranborne AONB Planning & Transportation Seminar:** 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at Dinton Village Hall (.30am to 4.15pm) – Achieving Community Benefits from Dark Night Skies

**17/186. MATTERS OF INFORMATION**

- a. **Cllr Mr S. Wathen:** Pound Farm, Hinton Martell – part of the proposed plan has been approved but the summerhouse will have to be taken down.  
b. **Cllr Mrs P. Hill Grants and Donations:** The church clock face at Gussage All Saints requires refurbishment and a grant towards the cost would be appreciated. Refer to the next Parish Council meeting.  
c. **Cllr Mr J. Campbell:** Badgers have started a new sett in the churchyard at Long Crichel. Badgers can be enticed to take residence in a different location but this is a complicated process.  
d. **Cllr Mr J. Campbell:** The society of Friends of Friendless Churches has produced a ne leaflet about Long Crichel Church.  
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**Meeting closed at 8.59 pm**

Signed.....

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Chairman