

<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 Gussage All Saints Village Hall on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 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 P. Hill, Cllr Mr R. Hill

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

**17/187. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs J. Manson.

**17/188. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

**17/189. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING**

There were no requests for dispensations to report.

**17/190. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**17/191. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON – Tuesday 6th March 2018**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (pages 1251 - 1254) were approved and signed as a true record subject to the following amendment

- a. **Minute No 17/178, County Councillor's Report (b) – Adult Social Care:** line three of the minute should read “over the age of 65” and not age 60.

**17/192. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a. **Minute No 17/180 (d), Data Protection Regulations Update:** Cllr Mr S. Wathen attended the meeting about Data Protection and informed members that the Parish Council will need to produce a Policy Statement outlining the measures taken by the Parish Council to maintain personal information in a secure and confidential manner.

**17/193. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**Cllr Mr Steve Butler:** presented his written report for April 2018. See attached page 1260 - 1261 of the minutes.

**17/194 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**Local Government Reorganisation:** In preparation of the Local Government Reorganisation, East Dorset District Council has started the process of closing down and dispersing its assets. Community assets will be offered to Parish and Town Councils to

take over and run for themselves. Some assets are very valuable and will raise useful revenue for the new Unitary Authority, however this is not the case for all so called "assets" and care must be taken to dispose of them to the best advantage to the local community. The Orders go before Parliament in May/June and it is expected that the Government will place clear restrictions on what the District Councils can or cannot do about the disposal of their assets. So there is not much time for EDDC to get its ducks in a row.

Regarding Christchurch, the opinion of a Q.C. has been sought and the upshot is that the consultations and other procedures were in order and that Christchurch has no chance of appealing against the decision for two Unitary Authorities.

The Clerk raised the question of how the smaller rural parishes would be affected by the proposed changes. Cllr Tong informed the members that he would be arranging a meeting of Chairmen to discuss a way forward.

### **17/195. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. **Update on the Advertisement for a New Clerk:** It was reported that the job advertisement has been posted on the Stour & Avon Magazine jobs website since Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March and will appear in the Blackmore Vale and Stour & Avon Magazines for two weeks from 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018. A copy has also gone to the DAPTC for circulation amongst affiliated Parish Clerks.
- b. **Savills Housing Needs Survey:** Savills have undertaken to inform the Parish Council of the results of the Housing Needs Survey. As well as posting copies of the questionnaire to individual households, copies will be available at the village shop and via the Parish Magazine.
- c. **Grit Bins:** **It was unanimously approved to purchase one grit bin for Uppington Hill, Hinton Martell.** Proposed by Cllr Mr S. Wathen and seconded by Cllr Mr R. Hill. Cllr Wathen will investigate the best location for the grit bin.
- d. **Witchampton Club Seats:** The seats on either side of the bus shelter are in a dangerous condition. The slats are rotten and beyond repair. **It was unanimously approved to dispose of the benches on either side of the Witchampton Club Bus Shelter.** Propose by Cllr Ms D. White and seconded by Cllr Mrs P. Hill.
- e. **Gussage All Saints Church Clock:** As the refurbishment of the face of the Gussage All Saints Church Clock is going involve a great deal of expense, Cllr Mr R. Hill will seek clarification as to whether the Parochial Church Council will be postponing the refurbishment. Refer to the next Parish Council meeting
- f. **Manswood Play Area Maintenance:** On behalf of Coppid, Savills have agreed to help out with the cutting of the hedge and tree lopping on an annual basis.
- g. **Community Infrastructure Levy:** There is no CIL due to the Parish at present but arrangements have been agreed whereby any payment of the levy due to the Parish Council will be paid twice yearly in April and September.
- h. **Dorset Area Joint Committee:** An update on creation of an Interim Shadow Authority was circulated to members. In preparation for the setting up of the new Unitary Authority it was considered that a list of functions that the Parish might feel able to take on would be useful in any future discussions with neighbouring parishes and the new Interim Shadow Authority.
- i. **Highways Surface Dressing:** The proposed programme of highways surface dressing for Vale of Allen was received and noted.
- j. **East Dorset District Community Governance Review:** The proposed alteration of the Parish Boundary at Witchampton Mill was considered and the Parish Council approved the proposed change.
- k. **Website:** Hinton Martell Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May in Hinton Martell Village Hall.
- l. **Cycle Ride:** Advance notification of a cycle ride affecting roads in the Manswood, Long Cichel and Gussage All Saints area, Due to be held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018 was received and noted.

**m. Environment Agency:** A flood alert was issued by the Environment agency covering the Cranborne Area and including the Vale of Allen. Local fields were flooded but no instances of road flooding were reported.

**n. DAPTC Training**

Cllr Mr S. Wathen to attend "How to Chair Meetings" on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Wednesday 9 May	7-9pm	Introduction training for councillors (with less than 9 months experience)	£40	Tarrant Keyneston VH, nr Blandford Forum DT11 9JE	Introductory course to be taken prior to the essentials for councillors course for new councillors who have been in post for less than 9 months. <b>Max no: 14</b>	New Councillors
Tuesday 22 May	7-9pm	Essentials for Councillors	£40	Tarrant Keyneston VH, nr Blandford Forum DT11 9JE	Trainer led and scenario based. <b>Max no: 16</b>	Councillors
Thursday 24 May	7-9pm	How to chair a meeting	£40	Dorset Youth Association, Dorchester, DT1 1QL	Trainers– Hilary Trevorah, Janet Page and Debbie Hollings <b>Max 18</b>	Chairmen
Wednesday 6 June	7-9pm	Essential Finance for Councillors	£40	Tarrant Keyneston VH, nr Blandford Forum DT11 9JE	<b>Max no: 18</b>	Councillors
Late June – date TBC	10am-4pm	Clerks Seminar	£70	Kingston Maurward College, Nr Dorchester DT2 8PX	All day seminar with updates and session relevant to all clerks. <b>Max no: 60</b>	Clerks

**17/196. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Application No:	Location	Proposal	Type
3/18/0500	Setterfield Cottage, Crichel Lane, Witchampton	Single storey side/rear extension and alteration to utility room	HOU
3/18/0595	Rose Lea Cottage, Witchampton	Replace flat roof element of outbuilding with pitched roof and alter fenestration	HOU
3/18/0446	Hazelwood, Hinton Martell	Change of use of outbuilding to dwelling (resubmission after refusal of application 3/17/1113/FUL	COU

**Parish Council Comments on Planning Applications**

- Planning Application 3/18/0500/HOU, Setterfield Cottage, Witchampton.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.
- Planning Application 3/18/0595, Rose Lea Cottage, Witchampton.** Parish Council comment – NO OBJECTION.
- Planning Application 3/18/0446, Hazelwood, Hinton Martell.** Parish Council Comment – NO OBJECTION.

**17/197. EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS**

<b>Application No:</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Decision</b>
3/17/3495/ LBC	Thatch Cottage, Long Crichel	To remove existing front porch and replace with an oak frame on a brick plinth porch with a slate roof (as amended by plans rec'd 23/02/2018)	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3598/ FUL	Pound Farm, Hinton Martell	The use of the existing stables (building A for ancillary domestic storage. The retention of the hay store lean-to building (building B) and its use for agricultural purposes	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3598/ FUL	Pound Farm, Hinton Martell	The retention of the summerhouse (building C)	<b>Withdrawn Not Approved</b>
3/17/3642/ CONDR	Vicarage Cottage, Harley Lane, Gussage All Saints	Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 3/17/1497/FUL (for a new dwelling) to include a detached garage to the north of the dwelling	<b>Permit</b>
3/17/3092/ CLE	The Barn, Uppington, Hinton Martell	Request for a Certificate of Lawfulness for use as a single dwelling house	<b>Granted</b>
3/17/3426/ HOU	Blue Hills, Uppington, Hinton Martell	Two storey side extension (removal of garage and utility room)	<b>Permit</b>

**17/198. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

- a. **3/18/0786/TCA, Riverside, Gussage All Saints.** T1 Palm, G1 group of Lawson Cypress, T2 Ash – fell to ground level. The Parish Council had no objection to this proposal.
- b. **Street Naming and Numbering: Manor Farmhouse, Harley Lane, Gussage All Saints** - change of postcode from BH21 5ET to BH21 5HD. Noted.
- c. **Street Naming and Numbering: Little Lodge Uppington Hinton Martell,** change of name to Uppington Ridge, Uppington, Hinton Martell. Noted.
- d. **Street Naming and Numbering: Land Adjacent to Lichens, Uppington, Hinton Martell,** change of name to Uppington Lodge, Uppington, Hinton Martell. Noted.

**17/199. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount (£)</b>	<b>V.A.T</b>	<b>Cheque Total</b>	<b>Cheque No:</b>
1 K. Bradbury, Clerk's Salary March 2018 £337.05 and Clerks Expenses 4th Quarter 2018 £687.21	1024.26	0.00	1024.26	931
2 HMRC PAYE due Feb 2018	68.26	0.00	68.26	932
3 M.J. Gracey- Flavourfy- Website Maintenance	200	0.00	200	933
Bournemouth Water - H. Martell Fountain	72.26	0.00	72.26	934
3 C.T. Mee B. Ground & R&BT Seat March 2018	50.00	0.00	50.00	935
<b>Total</b>	1414.78	0.00	1414.78	

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

**17/200. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. **Cranborne AONB Monthly Newsletter**
- b. **Local Councils Update**

**17/201. MATTERS OF INFORMATION**

- a. **Cllr Mr S. Wathen:** Cllr Wathen is seeking three quotations for the refurbishment of the Hinton Martell Fountain. The Clerk to check whether the fountain is within the Cranborne Chase AONB.
- b. **Cllr Mrs M. Cook:** The local postman has made a donation of £100 towards the refurbishment of the fingerpost at the bottom of Pound Hill, Witchampton. The posts at Sheepphouse Drove and Roman Road need attention.
- c. **Cllr Mr R. Hill:** The removal of the fingerpost at the top of Whiteways Hill has been delayed. The Highways Department will remove the post and take it to the depot. Cllr Hill is liaising with Mr P. Waterman at the Highways Department. If the post cannot be refurbished there may be enough in the kitty to buy a new post.
- d. **Cllr Mrs S. Gilchrist:** Reported that Mrs Dianne Hankin has been in contact with the County Council Archaeologist. Since Coppid have taken over from the Crichel Estate the ploughing regime has changed considerably and is turning up flints and sherds of pottery. Dog walkers and ramblers are asked to report any findings to Mrs Hankin. The Clerk will contact her regarding the production of a poster to alert local residents.

**Meeting closed at 9.29 pm**

**Signed.....**

**Date.....**

**Chairman**

## Steve Butler Parish Report for April 2018

**Health and Wellbeing.**

- The East Dorset Health and Wellbeing Locality Group (HWBLG), which includes members from EDDC, NHS, Social Services, Schools and the Voluntary Sector, and is chaired by Dr Colin Davidson from the Cranborne Practice, are working to look at local problems and have identified three areas of concern:-
  - Children and Young People (CYP) Mental Health. As a result of increasing hospital admissions for non-accidental injuries locally and the numbers of CYP referred to mental health services by GPs who do not meet the Child and Adult Mental Health Services (CAMHS) criteria. The aim is to establish how the HWBLG can work better together to prevent these issues arising earlier by supporting parents, early years providers, schools etc to foster positive health and wellbeing.
  - Physical Activity. We are looking at ways to increase physical activity levels across the population, which will contribute to the prevention of ill health and the promotion of mental wellbeing. We are fortunate to have some wonderful facilities and a number of activity schemes built around GP referrals for recuperation to build upon.
  - Social Isolation and Loneliness. We will examine the evidence on how maintaining social contact is vital to prevent both physical and mental ill-health and look to enhance the current network of schemes available. This is particularly challenging as our locality has the addition issues of rurality and a high percentage of older residents.

**Children's Services.**

- The Children's Social Work Areas are currently being consulted on being consolidated into 2 Districts, working from Ferndown and Dorchester, as opposed to the current 4. This will help with our ongoing geographical, recruitment and performance challenges. There will be no reduction in Operation Managers or Social Work Staff and the aim is to better manage increases in performance, quality and compliance.
- There is currently a consultation commencing with staff to improve our Out-of-Hours Service the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH), where all contacts and referrals are sent, will be extending their opening hours to 22:00hrs with an extended Social Work Team based in Wareham. There will also be 'On Rota' Social Workers after 22:00hrs and at weekends dedicated to Dorset Children.
- Last year Children's Services created 7 Family Partnership Zones (FPZ). They were aligned to our school pyramids and linked to our children's centres. Family and Health workers working with schools were provide early help to Children in Need (CIN) and provide early intervention using the Team Around the Family (TAF) approach to work with troubled families in order to keep them out of the care system. In January over 800 families were being supported by FPZ teams, 227 supported by a team led by a school based worker, 45 by a health worker led team, 226 by a social worker led team, 243 with a FPZ worker as lead and 2 families supported by a team led by Dorset Police.
- To improve our service to 'Edge of Care' children, those that have been referred to the MASH but don't reach the safeguarding threshold for Children's Social Care (CSC) to intervene and are not known to our FPZs Children's Services will be creating a new Early Help initial team which will create an additional pathway from the MASH either into the Family Partnership Zones, the Disability service or Children's statutory services.

- **Adult Services.**
- There has been a lot on the news recently about delays in hospital discharges, in particular those caused a lack of beds in care homes or a lack of capacity in domiciliary care. Although we have a very elderly population we also have 9 community hospitals as a step down from the 5 main hospitals if that is what is needed. This winter DCC has made a concerted effort to keep the system moving and there have been daily local meetings and a weekly Dorset wide meeting across the health system to ensure we are doing the very best we can to move people out of hospital.
- Work on the Pan Dorset NHS Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) and health integration is continuing to progress well towards the proposed Accountable Care System. This happens when different organisations from the health and care system work together to improve the health of their local population by integrating services and tackling the causes of ill health.