

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman Dr Graham Moody



Clerk Mrs M Harding

Burton Bradstock Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 2nd October 2013

Present: Cllrs, D Dixon, D Batten, A Ross, D Venn and Mrs M Harding (Clerk)
Cllr Ron Coatsworth (DCC) and 17 members of public

20. Election of a Chairman for the meeting- The chairman of the Parish Council was unable to attend. Cllr Dave Venn was nominated as chairman for the meeting.

Proposed Cllr D Dixon

Seconded Cllr A Ross

Resolved

21. Apologies: Received from Cllr P Abel, Cllr G Moody, Cllr E Crooke, Cllr K Delves and Cllr J Russell (WDDC)

22. Declarations of interest: None

23. Parishioners comments: Agenda items only

John Lewis queried the dumpy bag of grit and who should treat the roads as the access to Shipton lane was very dangerous in the last bad weather. Cllr Batten commented that as far as he was aware Mr Mayo would be asked to put the piles of grit on the road side as and when required and it would be up to residents to put the grit out. Also is there enough grit for the coming winter. This will be confirmed by the clerk. Could the grit supply procedure be advertised in the BVN, notice board and website and can the parish have grit bins?

John Lewis also asked if the sand bags that are stored by the village hall could either be covered or could be moved to Peter Tompkins barn, the clerk will ask Keith Delves as he was the person to organise the sand bags.

John Lewis reported on the play area repairs and issues with the supports to the roof of the tower rotting. John has contacted Hags play who is contacting the Sweden office to consider the problem. The clerk will follow up if a response has not been received shortly and this will be reported at the next meeting.

A resident commented that since the parish has taken over Corncrake it has been used more and more and the 3 entrances are getting very muddy and impassable could some scalping's or planning's be put down, the council responded that this is being put in place.

John Grantham asked if the council could obtain smaller sized sand bags that are more manageable to those who cannot lift the current 30kg bags. The clerk will contact Keith Delves as he was dealing with sand bags for to see if this is possible.

24. To approve the minutes of last meeting on 4th September 2013 and sign the same. The Council approved the revised version of the minutes circulated as the election of Chairman had been omitted from the first draft.

Proposed Cllr D Batten

Seconded Cllr A Ross

Resolved

25. Matters arising for information only: Cllr Batten asked if the safe had been purchased the clerk will follow this up with the Chairman

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- 26. To consider being part of the joint Neighbourhood Plan for Bridport and surrounding areas-**The council had received a report on this item from the chairman, having read and discussed the report, the council agreed with Cllr Moody's comments and resolved that Burton Bradstock would not be joining the Joint Neighbourhood plan with Bridport.

Proposed Cllr A Ross

Seconded Cllr D Batten

Resolved

- 27. To consider a response to WDDC re the revised draft Local Plan-** Cllr Moody had circulated a report on the changes to the revised plan that could affect Burton Bradstock and a suggested response to the revised draft local plan and the response from BB in July 2012. The council considered this report and response and resolved to approve these comments as a response to the consultation from Burton Bradstock

Proposed Cllr D Dixon

Seconded Cllr A Ross

Resolved

- 28. To consider a bench on Five Elms-**The council agreed that Five Elms is a good resting place in the village; the council approved in principle to a bench at Five Elms as long as it met the PC's criteria. The bench is to be an Oak bench with wood sourced from a FSC supplier to be sited and secured properly. Also an agreement into the future maintenance of the bench. Elizabeth McKay will provide councillors with a design and final details but in principle the bench was to be approved.

Proposed Cllr D Dixon

Seconded Cllr D Batten

Resolved

29. Parish Clerks report and Correspondence:

The clerk had previously circulated the clerks report

Play area repairs: Following on from John Lewis's report on the repairs to the play equipment and vandalised benches the repairs are being dealt with.

Volunteer list/tools: The clerk had received and circulated to councillors the current list of volunteer works and list of tools for insurance purposes

January meeting: The date for the January meeting would be 1st January but this is a bank holiday, the council agreed to move the meeting to the following week on the 8th January.

Consultations: The clerk also reported on consultations in circulation

B3157 Meeting: The clerk had received information that a meeting has been arranged with CEO Debbie Ward on Monday 11th November at 7pm at Puncknowle village hall to discuss issues with the B3157 signage, white lining and any other issues arising. Cllr Moody was nominated to attend Cllr D Batten would also attend.

Correspondence: The clerk had previously circulated the list of correspondence –

Items raised for information from correspondence:

Letter to NT: The council had received a response to the letter sent by the council concerning the Pop-Up shop, screening and additional marquee, this explained how the NT had considered and consulted locally.

Best Village Competition: Cllr Ross reported that Burton Bradstock did not win the competition.

Axe valley grant request: Cllr Batten reported that this would be considered under the Finance and general purposes committee when they next meet.

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30. Finance Report: The clerk had previously circulated the finance report payments were duly made in line with financial controls.

Proposal to approve the finance report and payments for October 2013

Proposed Cllr A Ross

Seconded Cllr D Batten

Resolved

31. To consider the following planning applications

- a. 1/D/13/001147-Millfield, Annings Lane- Rear kitchen extension and other works- **No Objections.**

32. AOB for information only:

Cllr Dixon commented on the misleading signs at the footpath at Cogden Farm on Bredy Lane- clerk to report on line

Ceiling of the Reading room, Mr Salway had reported to the council the issues of the ceiling upstairs in the reading room; councillors had inspected it prior to the meeting and asked that a contractor is asked to look at the problem ASAP in order to gather quotes for any work required.

Cllr Batten reported on the latest Watag meeting and the changes to the bus services. There is a shortfall in funding hence the need to reduce some services.

33. Parishioners Comments:

Cllr Coatsworth commented on the issue of Parking meters in Bridport. Road casualties in Dorset over the last 4-5 years have gone down 19%, driving courses are also being offered in Dorset. DCC is offering risk assessments to volunteers to do certain work on Highways who will then be covered by DCC insurance on 3rd party claims. Cllr Coatsworth will provide further info to the clerk for circulation. A flooding consultation is being done with DCC, Environment Agency and WDDC. Finally there is a subsidy paid by DCC by way of a grant where there are not enough passengers to support the service. The DCC does not need to support the A31 or X53 as it can run without grants. Cllr Coatsworth explained the changes on how the government fund DCC.

John Lewis asked if the council could investigate the insurance for volunteers.

The depth marker sign has been removed as a doubled sided depth marker is being put in its place. John Lewis was concerned about the planning conditions not being set by WDDC for Larkfield, Cllr Batten explained that BBPC can give their planning comments but it is up to the planning department do make the decision. Also when the road is closed in November for works to the B3157 Shipton Lane will become a rat run but is badly over grown; this may be a farm hedge but will require attention.

John Grantham asked about the responses of the Parish plan consultation. Cllr Dixon responded that about 100 responses have been received so far and a working group are gathering the data ready for the presentation day on 9th November from 10-4pm.

Peter Tompkins pointed out the issue he raised at the last meeting regarding speed in the village; he would like to see a speed watch group set up similar to the one set up for the Flood

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alleviation as opposed to monitoring the speed. Peter Tompkins also commented on the littering of the play area. Cllr Coatsworth commented that there is a move towards 20mph speed limits.

John Lewis reported that the fence panels and broken benches due to vandalism are being repaired. The WDDC bin in the lay by is being moved closer to the toilets so will be more visible. There were then comments made about the youth club in the past, possibly asking the PCSO to visit the area in order to talk to those responsible.

Peter Tompkins asked when would the mirror be purchased, the clerk will speak to the Cllr Moody. Concerns were again raised about the cars parked all day in the lay-by, Cllr Batten had spoken to the owner of the garage who explained that it was staff parking as he did not have the space available. Parking in the lay-by can be enforced by the parking warden.

34. Date of next Parish Council meeting- 6th November 2013

Meeting closed at 9.02pm