

# BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Cllr D Venn

Clerk: Mrs M Harding



## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

**Present:** Cllr D Dixon, Cllr Gill Mayo, Cllr G Moody, Cllr D Batten, Cllr I Troup, Cllr D Venn Cllr K Delves

Mrs Michele Harding (Clerk), Cllr John Russell (WDDC) Cllr Ron Coatsworth (DDC) and 10 members of Public.

**2015/03-1 To receive apologies for absence-** Cllr A Ross apologised for absence and Cllr Dixon was going to be late.

**2015/03-2 To receive declarations of interest and grants of dispensation:** Cllr G Mayo declared a pecuniary interest in Items concerning the Post Office.

**2015/03-3 PCSO Ash to speak to the Council on Burton Bradstock issues**

PCSO Dave Ash is based at Beaminster Police Station. He explained that there are no main issues in Burton Bradstock except the parking issues regarding the school. PCSO Ash had made contact with the Council as he had been told that land had been purchased to provide parking in the village, but after speaking to the Council he was aware he had been misinformed. The head teacher of the school has sent out a letter to parents explaining that the 2 pubs in the village have offered their car parks at drop and pick up times but there are not obvious answers to the problems. PCSO Ash explained that new patrons of the Three Horse shoes have agreed to this arrangement.

PCSO Ash was previously sent some questions by the Clerk taken from Councillors and members of the public.

*To review the topics covered at the morning sessions at the Library-*

*Parking on pavements-* PCSO Ash explained that unless the vehicle is causing an obstruction to a buggy or wheelchair then there is nothing the Police can do but to make a complaint to the local authorities parking enforcement section.

*Speeding through the village-* PCSO Ash reported to this date he has not had complaints of speeding and not aware of an issue. He explained that in order to build a profile of Burton Bradstock the PC and residents need to report this to with the 101 local police number or on the Dorset Road safe website- [www.dorsetroadsafe.org](http://www.dorsetroadsafe.org). This will then alert the mobile cameras and they will then put the village on the list to visit. PCSO Dave Ash will also come to the village to do a speed check. He will spend a couple of hours at each end. Cllr Troup commented on the motor cycles driving through the village at weekends at speed. He also explained about community speed watch creating a visible presence where a group or members of the community record speeding under the guidance of the Police. Drivers will then receive a letter from the police if they are caught under the speed watch scheme several times- The Council has previously considered this option.

*Litter/vandalism in the play area-* PCSO Ash explained that those doing the damage need to be identified and then doors can be knocked on. Litter is not really a police issue.

*Parking near corners where there are yellow lines-* this would be a WDDC parking enforcement issue.

*Parking near a junction without yellow lines-* This is not an offence unless it is completely obstructing the entrance/exit to other road users.

The Clerk was asked to investigate whether the coloured footways in the centre of the village are adopted/official footways. PCSO Ash explained that a polite notice on cars is acceptable. There was then some discussion about the recent issue in Bridport where a vehicle drove along the pavement.

**2015/03-4 Parishioner's comments- (15 minutes on agenda items for decision only):**

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P Tompkins- commented on the speed through the village specifically coming from Bridport along Barr Lane and vehicles have gone through the fence and drive too fast by the hairdressers.

PCSO Ash left the card for the Dorset Road safe website this will be put on the notice boards. Could highways be asked to do a speed check in the village?

M Harding- asked Cllr Dixon about the tree planting and that a meeting had not been held with the Corncrake group- Cllr Moody explained that this was on the February agenda where the types of trees were discussed by the Council and it was agreed that fruit trees should be planted now and standard trees in the autumn. Cllr Dixon will liaise with the group.

J Lewis asked for the information gathered from land registry, the Clerk would speak to John Lewis and Cllr Moody after the meeting with the title numbers gathered.

The Council and Volunteers were looking to take on Barbara James's idea to use the Bus Shelter and flowers as a focal point for the competition. Cllr Delves commented that Gill Mayo is happy to enter the village shop into the competition and he would support her in this. This is a good opportunity for the village shop and PO as it will all be new. This was agreed and Gill Mayo would write a piece on the new enterprise for the competition.

J Lewis commented on the damage to the area at Cliff Road and that any works will need to be done with the agreement of the farmer.

PCSO Ash left the meeting at 8.10pm

Cllr Coatsworth reported on the newspaper article regarding the new waste transfer collection site and the issues- the director has been suspended pending further investigation. The tools order for the volunteers will shortly be available to collect. The DCC Divisional fund is now complete for 2014-15 and will re-open in April/May 2015-16. The PC can then re-apply for the Fingerpost project for the same amount. Cllr Coatsworth commented on speed checks and that DCC are keen to put down speed checks where there are problems.

**2015/03-5 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 and sign the same.** The Council approved the amended minutes to accurately report comments made by Mr Tompkins in the Parishioners comments regarding the PCSO's visits to the village.

**Proposed Cllr G Moody**

**Seconded Cllr G Mayo**

**Resolved**

**2015/03-6 Matters' arising from above minutes for information only and the Action List - none.**

Item 14 -repairs to the fence is still ongoing

Item 15 -Best Village competition- John Lewis asked if there further support from the PC? It was suggested that the WI and various village community groups could also get involved. Clerk to contact the WI, School and VST to see if they are interested.

Item 18 Cllr Moody has been away so has not had a chance to speak to Mr Bailey regarding the entrance at Cliff Farm.

**2015/03-7 Correspondence items received for decision-**

- a. Superfast- improving how we work with you survey- Clerk to pass to BB online and BVN
- b. WDDC and Weymouth & Portland Local plan main modifications-All Councillors to read the email consultation and let the Clerk know if a comment is required or further discussion at the April meeting as comments are due on 8th April.
- c. PO Lease- The solicitor and Cllr Delves have been dealing with the detail of the lease and the final draft was now available to give to Gill Mayo, this had been previously circulated to the Council earlier in the day. The Council agreed that any further changes will be dealt with by the Current and past Chair and PO leads.
- d. Cllr Moody reported on the Spring Tide event in May and the offer from the NT to use the marquee for a PC event. The Council agreed that they do not think they would make use of the marquee on this occasion-Cllr Moody will contact Rowan Thomas.



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*smaller properties. It is important to ensure that a range of dwelling types and sizes is available in rural areas and a healthy social mix”*

- e. **WD/D/15/000308**-St Columba, Coast Road, BB-Erect replacement conservatory. Erect new car port. *No objections*  
**Proposed Cllr D Batten                      Secoded Cllr D Dixon                      Resolved**

### 2015/03-11      **Finance & General Purposes-**

- a. **To receive the Finance Report and approve payments (MH)**

The Clerk had previously circulated the report, there were some minor issues found by Cllr Troup regarding in year totals to date which would be rectified and reported at the April meeting- The Council approved the payments for this month.

**Proposed Cllr D Batten                      Secoded I Troup                      Resolved**

- b. **To consider encouraging people to stand for Parish Council elections (KD)**

Cllr Delves reported on the democracy pack for Councils which seemed more for Town Councils it was agreed to hold a session prior to the next PC meeting where potential candidates would come and talk to current Councillors about the role. Refreshments will be available. The Clerk would prepare a poster and put a note in the BVN.

- c. **To consider the Fingerpost project**

John Lewis reported what he has done so far in purchasing some materials, the AONB will pay £400 towards the project and we can apply for Cllr Coatsworth’s DCC divisional fund in the next financial year from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015 towards the costs to the value of £648- Clerk to Action

**Proposed Cllr G Moody                      Secoded Cllr I Troup                      Resolved**

- d. **To consider the Annual play inspection (MH)**

The Clerk had gathered 3 quotes for the Annual Play inspection, the Council agreed to engage with the cheapest quote with “The Play Inspection Company” which is the company the Council used last year.

**Proposed Cllr D Venn                      Secoded Cllr I Troup                      Resolved**

- e. **To consider the use of playing field on 6th April 2015 for the Duck Race**

The Council had received a request to use the Playing field for the annual duck race and fundraiser, the Council agreed to the event and asked that the Clerk issue a user agreement similar to the one the school has in place- Clerk to Action

**Proposed Cllr D Batten                      Secoded Cllr G Moody                      Resolved**

- f. **To consider the quotes for the internal decorations in the Post office (KD)**

Cllr Delves explained that 2 quotes had been gathered for the internal decorations previously agreed in the upstairs to the Post Office – The cheapest quote was agreed and it was well under £300.00

**Proposed Cllr K Delves                      Secoded Cllr G Moody                      Resolved**

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### g. To consider the tree planting quotes at Corncrake (DD)

Cllr Dixon was asked to explain to Margaret Harding who had spoken previously in the parishioners comments about the need for more consultation on the trees to be planted. Cllr Dixon explained that he had prepared a spec for fruit trees now and standards later on after consulting with some members of the working group. 30 trees had been identified with 5 from each species but agreed that there hadn't been a full meeting with the group to discuss it. Cllr Dixon explained that the tree planting day had been organised for 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> March so there was a need to order the trees ASAP. A budget had been previously agreed Cllr Dixon was delegated to spend up to £1000.00 with input from the working group on suitable trees to plant.

**Proposed Cllr G Moody**

**Seconded Cllr D Batten**

**Resolved**

### 2015/03-12 Update on the Play Equipment – Slides (JL/MH)

John Lewis reported that Hags will only replace like for like and this is not good enough for this area close to the sea. The Council recommended not taking up Hags on their offer. The Clerk and John Lewis have been gathering quotes for repairs to the slides and a further quote from an engineering company was being sought. The Council felt with the costs of these repairs that there would need to be consideration for a much larger project rather than maintenance. Cllr Batten suggested that the Council apply for the Palmers fund in June/Nov. The Clerk will request quotes for the plastic slides and look at what funding opportunities there are.

**Proposed Cllr I Troup**

**Seconded Cllr G Moody**

**Resolved**

### 2015/03-13 To consider the Chairman for the next Parish Council meeting-1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 (MH) Cllr D Dixon was nominated

**Proposed Cllr D Venn**

**Seconded Cllr D Batten**

**Resolved**

### 2015/03-14 Correspondence items received for information (MH)

Item 24 Cllr Moody would make comments on the BLAP Sherborne Area Housing Forum meeting with Oliver Letwin.

Item 37- Cllr Dixon will look into the free trees on offer from the Woodland trust

Item 42-Cllr Moody reported that the BLAP Annual Assembly "The Rural Challenge" has Lord Leveston speaking.

### 2015/03-15 Items for report in the BVN/Website (All)

Litter Pick, Best Village competition and Elections by 11<sup>th</sup> March

### 2015/03-16 Parishioners' open comments (15 minutes maximum allowed)

*J Lewis* reported that the toilet roof has now been completed

*J Russell* asked if the May meeting had been moved to accommodate the May elections, The Council have arranged the meeting for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2015

*M Harding* commented on the white gate at the entrance to the village of Portesham, The clerk explained that a local action group campaigned for this work in the village.

*P Tomkins* commented on the Councils discussion regarding 15 Beach Road and the council considering objecting to an individual trying to enhance their asset as it sets a dangerous precedent of not being consistent. The Council confirmed that depending on the wording of the 2013 Draft local plan Housing-para 5.7.2 whether the Council object or make a comment.

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm

Chairman Cllr D Dixon

1<sup>st</sup> April 2015