BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Cllr M Evans Clerk: Mr

Clerk: Mrs M Harding



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd June 2020 At 7.30pm Via Zoom

Present: M Evans (ME) (Chairman) D Dixon (DD) E Rees (ER) M Harding (Clerk/RFO)

R Bryan (RB) S Meek (SM) A Bailey (AB) D Batten (DB) Cllr Mark Roberts DC G Moody (GRM) D Venn (DV)

1 member of public

2020/06-1 To receive apologies for absence - G Mulry (GM)- (technical difficulties using Zoom)

- **2020/06-2** To receive declarations of Interest and grants of dispensation none
- Items for Decision:

2020/06-3To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6th May 2020 and sign the
same-same-Proposed MESeconded DB

2020/06-4 Matters arising from the above minutes for information only and ongoing actions

- a. Re use of the BT Phone box- SM had reported to the meeting that the suggestion of a book exchange, but did not want to be in competition with Library, given that it is closed at this time and has restricted opening hours. It could be used as a free book swap, it could also be a mixture of swaps, plants, games etc, it was also suggested as an Art display. This will be added to the July meeting for consideration when all suggestions have been collated. AB will contact the Library Chair to discuss the idea.
- **b.** Bench repair in playing field, Contractor has been contacted. GRM reminded that PC that the WI had donated a bench for the play area that was to be installed in the shelter when complete, if the PC are happy for this to happen the arrangements can be made with the WI. All agreed
- c. Commenting in planning applications- GRM commented on this item as he did not agree with the Chairman's statement at the May meeting. The Chair had asked the Clerk to clarify this with DAPTC who explained that ClIrs should not use their Councillor denomination to sign their personal planning comments. In this case the comments were submitted prior to the PC meeting when the report submitted was considered. ClIrs had differing views on this topic, some felt that there was no need to sign it as a ClIr, others felt that politicians do this in the press and as long as the ClIr makes it clear it is their personal opinion it should be allowed. The Councillors could not agree on this item and GRM made a statement that he did not agree to the advice supplied by the DAPTC.
- **d.** Letter to residents regarding the use of herbicides- the clerk had drafted a letter and circulated to be sent when Cllrs have approved it. It was noted that there is currently not a specific policy in place regarding this for the village but there is on the PC allotments. This can be made clear in the new Parish Plan update.
- **2020/06-5** Parishioners' Comments (15 minutes on agenda items only) The Allotment Association chair spoke about the allotment water issues, she explained that the Parish Council obtained quotations for the installation of two water points on the allotments, but then decided the outlay

was more than they were prepared to incur. The price seemed reasonable from the allotment holders' point of view. (What price would the Council have considered acceptable?) Allotment holders would expect to have to pay an increased rent if water was installed. The Council would have to undertake the installation, but the cost could be recovered over a period of years, thereby keeping the rent increase per allotment holder at a reasonable level. Allotment holders would also have to pay an amount to cover the water supplied, this would be based on the previous year's charges. From comments received, more allotment holders than previously are asking for an accessible water source to be provided. (However, the Council will appreciate that not all allotment holders have commented). Some allotment holders are able to access water from the river Bride but others are not! Will the Council please commit to the installation and make proposals for the recovery of the cost over an extended period of time. SM commented that this was discussed in Nov 19 by the PC and given the responses at the time only 25% had commented. There is a valuable water source in the river and this should be harnessed to keep costs down. Concern was raised that there are some who are unable to access the water as it is unsafe this will be discussed further in the agenda.

Another resident commented that the item of the cycling route on the correspondence should be considered especially with the announcement of the DC funding for such projects.

2020/06-6 To consider that the PC is eligible to use the General Power of Competence" The PC meets the criteria for the use of the power having a qualified Clerk and 2/3rds of ClIrs who stood for election, but annually the PC must reaffirm this. Proposed GRM Seconded AB

2020/06-7 To reaffirm the Councillors Roles and delegated areas of responsibility, appoint outside organisations and members of working groups.

The PC considered this list and changes were agreed, the Parish plan topic area leads will be agreed when the updated PP has been updated. The new list will be circulated and placed on the PC website.

2020/06-8 To consider any planning applications received by the Council

a. WD/D/20/001023- The Garden Hut, The Studio, Coast Road, BB. Demolish existing dwelling and construct new dwelling and garage with vehicular access (amended description) – ClIrs had been to the site before the previous application was withdrawn, the application is based on the shack being occupied for a 4 year period, ClIrs disputed the fact that the shack had been lived in as a dwelling and will object on the same basis as the last application and that Dorset Council should ensure that they have clear evidence that the building was ever habitable.
 Proposed ME Seconded GRM

b. WD/D/20/001125-8 Barr Lane, BB- Erect single storey extension- The PC raised no objections

2020/06-9 Correspondence- items for decision

- **a.** Item 3-Tree works to the lime tree have now been sensitively completed.
- **b.** Item 4- BT phone box future use, to be added to July agenda when all ideas collated.
- c. Item 5- Temporary road closure on Shipton lane 15th to 9th June.
- d. Item 6- Allotment holder's emails re water availability to be considered on the agenda

- e. Item 7- Updated quote from Wessex Ground services to add the grassed area behind the zip wire into the play area cut, some ClIrs felt that the grass could be left as a wild flower area but this was not agreed, the new quote was accepted. Proposed ME
 Seconded DB
- **f.** Item 9- A report had been received regarding the Forest School and that this is being maintained.
- g. Item 10- A quote was gathered to remove the rubbish from one of the allotments and the play area fence left in Corncrake- the quote was accepted and contractor asked to carry out the works when the allotment holders had been given weeks' notice to remove any items they could use.
 Proposed ME Seconded SM

2020/06-10 To consider the Draft Parish Plan update

Further work on some sections are required, a separate Zoom meeting will be arranged to discuss this in detail to be added to July agenda

2020/06-11 Finance & General Purposes

a. To consider the Finance report of receipts and payments

All payments were approved in line with internal controls. All reports circulated prior to the meeting.

ME carried out the monthly check. Bank Accounts total £95,687.67 as at 31st May 20 Proposed ME Seconded SM

b. To consider any updates to the Parish Council policies

The Clerk will prepare a list of policies currently held by the Council to be considered at the next F & GP meeting. The SO and Financial regulations had been updated within the last year.

c. To consider the additional expenditure to the shelter (GRM)

The Clerk had been asked to contact the contractor who is building the shelter for a finish date, the response to this was not helpful so ClIrs will take on the communications with this contractor until the end of the build. All invoices submitted for materials for the installation of the shelter have been paid to the suppliers only. Additional works are needed to ensure the structure is stable given its location as there is a wobble from front to back noted by the current contractor to GRM. It was agreed to contact the company where the shelter was purchased from to ask if this is a design fault and what the PC should do to ensure the structure is fit for purpose also to find a new contractor for this additional work once the shelter has been completed. The possible cost to this extra work could be in the region of £450 to £200 for labour and £250 for materials.

- **d.** To consider the new play area quote for phase 2- ER had gathered a new quote from Sovereign to consider doing some of the removal works ourselves to bring the costs down also to provide our own safety fencing, a grant has been applied for up to £5000 and we should hear by the end of the month, the plan is short of £10,000 with the last quote. The group will look to gather quotes from other contractors for removal of items. The rubber mats can be removed and used for areas in corncrake where there have been issues for walkers, the volunteers were asked if they could assist with the removal of the mats.
- e. To consider the access to water at the allotments (SM)- Following on from the comments earlier in the meeting the PC had gathered quotes for the installation of water, SM proposed that the

Allotment association will carry out further consultation on this to all Allotment holders.

SM, AA Chair and Clerk to action

SM had noted that there is a valuable source of water and would be good to use this, GRM had supplied information on Ram pumps. GRM offered to make the ram pump from kit form so that if it does not work on the Allotments it can be used on Corncrake to provide a water supply for grazing. RB explained she would speak to a contact about pumps as well. Action GRM Proposed SM Seconded RB

f. To consider any village maintenance- none

g. To arrange to carry out the staff appraisal- ME to arrange this

2020/06-12 Items for report in the BVN/website/Facebook/Twitter

Promotion of a cycle way, DB will speak to the owner of Freshwater to re look at this as a project. SM, DB & DD will follow this up. MR commented that this would be a good project to make a direct route to West Bay and join national cycle route 2.

Items for information:

- 2020/06-13 To receive items of correspondence for information- report circulated
- **2020/06-14 Corncrake report-** DD had circulated a picture of the wild flowers in Corncrake, grass has been cut and taken.
- 2020/06-15 CLT report- None
- **2020/06-16** To consider items for the PC meeting on 1st July 2020- Parish Plan, Play area quotes, Allotment water, pump update.

2020/06-17 Parishioners' open comments (15 minutes maximum allowed)

MR reported that primary schools are now opening, government funding has altered for those shielding so DC are making contact with those people affected to provide food parcels. The senior committees are now meeting twice a week instead of daily on the Covid-crisis. All will have seen the issues at Durdle Door, NT car parks have opened and some toilets in West Bay and Lyme but not yet in the villages. A recovery and reset executive have been set up and MR is sitting on that committee.

A resident asked the PC about insurance for the Volunteers and can we clarify that the volunteers are covered during lockdown. The branch hanging against the bus stop will be removed.

Concerns were raised over the number of noisy motorcycles using the B3157 and village as race track. It was noted that this is a Police matter and should be reported to Dorset Road safe the link is on the PC website and will be shared to the Facebook pages.

SM reported on the Covid-19 cases in the area, the local hospital is seeing less cases although there maybe more in the community, distancing is still required, wearing a mask is best practice if you can't keep 2m away.

DB commented on the motorcycles that there should be noise limiters on them and that in the hospitality trade measures are being put in place for lockdown to be relaxed.

Meeting closed 9.35pm