

Burton Bradstock Parish Council

Chair- Andrew Bailey

Clerk- Lesley Windsor



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 7th April 2021

19:30 via Zoom

A Bailey (AB)
E Rees (ER)
D Dixon (DD)
D Batten (DB)

D Venn (DV)
G Moody (GM)
L Windsor (Clerk/RFO)

21/04-1 To elect a chair of the April meeting DD proposed AB Seconded DB

Chairman's welcome: AB welcomed everyone to the meeting, giving notice that the zoom meeting was being recorded for minutes only.

21/04-2 To receive apologies for absence – Cllr Mark Roberts- Has another meeting to attend.

21/04-3 To receive declarations of interest and grants of dispensation –

Cllr Dixon-Pecuniary interest in Bridesmead

Cllrs Batten and Venn-Noted they are members of the same sports team as owner of Bridesmead.

Cllr Moody-declared a pecuniary interest as he can see the site from his home and so would not comment as a councillor but would like to comment as a member of the public.

Cllr Rees noted she has some involvement with the land but can comment on planning.

Open Public Forum Part 1- limited to 3 mins per person.

Two residents asked the council to support a village event combining all the village groups to have a party in the park. This would be a post lockdown celebration. The Council would like to launch the refurbished play area as part of this event. This will be put on the May P.C. meeting agenda to decide on a donation towards the event. Although the date of the weekend is to be confirmed the event will be held on a weekend before the summer holidays.

A resident questioned if the council will be doing a site visit to Bridesmead. Another resident wanted it noted that this planning development site is outside of the defined development boundary. He also thought that the location of the entrance suggested that the development was not sustainable.

As this matter was being discussed in the public forum the chair asked for the item to be brought forward on the agenda.

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- 21/04-4 To consider any planning items in circulation.**
- a) P/OUT/2021/00383 Bridesmead, Shipton Lane, Burton Bradstock
Outline application for erection of No1 dwelling.
**AB Proposed a site visit 14/4/21 at 6pm followed by a planning meeting
Seconded DB**
 - b) P/HOU/2021/00140 1 High St Erection of single storey and 2 storey rear
extensions.
It was noted that some Cllrs had not been able to access the planning site
due to technical difficulties.
DD proposed it was added to the planning meeting. Seconded AB
- 21/04-5 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd March 2021**
- 21/04-6 Matters arising from the above minutes for information only and ongoing actions.**
- a) After contacting Dawn Heath the verge on Cliff Rd seems improved.
 - b) GM noted that Dorset Council now have a Covid travel scheme in place.
 - c) DD Updated on the Tree Risk Survey. It will be on May agenda for further
discussion.
 - d) Clerk updated on queries sent to DAPTC following February's F&GP meeting.
The values changed to obtain tenders were for the Council to change.
This spending had to be agreed in a meeting rather than email.
The council could change the wording for the clerk and a councillor to agree
action requiring spending in case of an emergency.
Changes proposed DB Seconded DD
- 21/04-7 Items for decision: papers provided for all items for decision prior to the meeting**
- 21/04-7a To consider solutions for the carpark/bollard issues by the toilets.**
After a site visit by ER, DB, GM it was decided that by putting railway sleepers with
some reflectors on so drivers and pedestrians would notice them would be a better
option than the bollards that continually get knocked down. This could also have
painted lines on the parking area to make it obvious where the parking is available.
**GM proposed that they draw up a specification and seek quotes to bring to the
next meeting. Seconded DB**
- 21/04-7b To accept the prioritisation of expenditure enabled by the Local Restriction Grant
Monies.**
There is an agreement that the money should be used for updating the parish
council assets in a way that is of benefit to the community. It still has not be agreed
on what this should be. **Cllr were asked to firm up specs and costing for the various
proposals, to bring back to the next meeting. If these proposals were deemed
important yet required more money than the grant, it would be considered if it
could be done using other funds available.**
Proposed DB Seconded DD
ER added that due to work commitments she was unable to attend the Village
Summer Event meeting. **GM offered to take her place.**

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21/04-7c To consider the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority consultation of draft community safety plan.

Many of the councillors had not used the link to see the document beforehand and as it is a long document **AB proposed that Cllrs undertake to see this before the next meeting.**

21/04-7d To consider any proposals for the Community Governance Review

The process starts in July, but Dorset Council recommends that parish councils start talking with their parish at an early stage. After a preliminary discussion it was decided to consult Bridport Town Council to see if they would be interested in changing boundaries. Also, when the consultation starts to invite Burton Bradstock residents to a meeting where they can air their views.

Clerk to write to Bridport Council. DD to provide Clerk with the specifics of the area involved.

21/04-7e To consider the receipts and payments for April

Clerk was unable to share on screen in meeting, but all Cllrs have a copy and it is on the website to view.

There has been an invoice from Katherine Motteram to be added to this month's payments list.

Proposed DB Seconded DD

21/04-8 Items for information only

21/03-8a To receive any items of correspondence since the last meeting

- a) B.B. online group have asked who will replace Cllr Meek. This decision will be deferred to next month when there may be new councillors joining.
- b) A PDF of the DAPTC group has been received and will be circulated to all Cllrs. It may require a short zoom meeting for Cllrs to agree response as it is due in 4th May.
- c) Chris Loder is looking for opinion from Parish Councils as to whether there is local support for the idea of a Dorset National Park. **DD Proposed he will prepare some paperwork about the issues for the Parish Council to look over and then discuss at next week's planning meeting. Seconded GM**
- d) We have received several expressions of interest to become a parish Councillor. Papers have been sent out to interested parties and there will be a Co-option policy to be agreed at the meeting in May.
- e) A campaign to inform people how to dispose of disposable nappies-not in the recycling bin.
- f) BLAP -letter to ask if the Parish needed any support post lockdown. **Clerk to write and say we are OK. Also, when new councillors come onboard, we need a BLAP representative.**
- g) Bran Acres re- BBCP footpath report. This has caused much upset in the village. We were not consulted before the stone stile was removed. DB to write a letter to say we were disappointed we were not consulted on this.

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We should be working in partnership. A rail is still needed and this needs to be dealt with in a much more sensitive manner, both to the environment it will be set in and the parishioners of Burton Bradstock. **DB to draft a letter and the clerk to send it on.**

- h) Chris Loder is disappointed about the decision to return to face-to-face meetings. He is going to continue to lobby for virtual meetings to be an option in the future. He would like to know what the council's opinion is. The council felt unanimously that we should be able to have the option for both and then be able to decide which meeting best suited our purpose. **The clerk will write back to inform him of our views.**
- i) A parishioner has written a letter to say he struggles to push his wife's wheelchair along Annings lane as there are no dropped curves other than those for cars and they are often blocked by parked cars. This was discussed by the council and noted there were other roads that had the same problem.

The Clerk will contact Dorset Council to ask for some dropped kerbs to be added. They need to look at drop kerb provision on Annings Lane, South Annings lane, Grove Orchard and the junction of Annings Lane and Shipton Lane.

21/03-8b **To receive village maintenance items and actions**

D.V. gave an update on Dorset Council's response to the flooding issue on Common Lane and Bredy Rd. Further investigation is being made. Meanwhile the Volunteer group are obtaining a manure drag to clear out the nearby ditch, which should help the situation. There is still a question of the riparian ownership of the edge of the ditch. DV is making more enquiries.

21/03-8c **Items for the BVN, Website and Facebook**

The Nappy Campaign should be put on Facebook. **Clerk**
The Speed Watch Team are back in action -Please Drive Carefully through our village-**BVN Clerk**

21/03-9 **Items for next PC meeting on 5th May**

Update on Tree Risk Survey. DD
Fire and Rescue Consultation.
Spec and pricing for sleepers around Toilet parking area. DB
Further Spec and Pricing for list of proposed expenditure enabled by the local restriction grant money.
Donation to post lockdown village event
Agreement and adoption of Co-option policy

Open Public Forum Part 2- up to 15minutes for electors, residents in the parish or adjoining parishes to raise any items of information or propose issues for future Council Meetings.

A village volunteer spoke about a manure drag rake bought to help alleviate the ditch problem and what needs to be done. He mentioned the lack of dropped kerbs is also an issue for mobility scooters. It was suggested an article in the BVN could clarify the issue about the Larkfield footpath and endorsed the council's decision to write to Dorset Council

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about their disappointment in the lack of consultation in this matter.

Another member of the public backed up DV's report on the issues of the flooding. He also suggested there could be a greater involvement of the community in decision making by organising community-based meetings or reducing the length of the very formal parish council meeting by starting with a more community friendly section. This was discussed by the council, who will give it more thought.

A member of the public commented on the lack of comfort in the reading room, which makes it less inviting place for meetings. This issue, updates and repairs on the post office and the Summer village event would all be good use of the Grant Money. Re the changing of parish boundaries, he wondered if that would reduce the income to the parish.

GM suggested we meet in June in the village hall. Due to the need to social distance, it will make the Reading room too small a venue. We should provisionally book the village hall and discuss again at the May meeting.

A member of the public expressed concern at how easy it was for children to run out on the road now the style has been taken away from the footpath. This issue will be put in the letter the BBPC is writing to Dorset Council.

Meeting closed TIME 21.35