

Burton Bradstock Parish Council

Chair- Darren Batten

Clerk- Lesley Windsor



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 11th October 2021 7.30pm

A Bailey (AB)
D Venn (DV)
D Dixon (DD)
D Batten (DB)

Anne King (AK)
Robert Hawes (RH)
L Windsor (Clerk/RFO)
Cllr M Roberts (MR)
Apologies-Graham Moody (GM)

- 21/10-1 To elect the Chairman for October/November 2021 and sign the Acceptance of Office**
DD Proposed Cllr Darren Batten seconded AB
Cllr Batten signed the acceptance of office then welcomed the attending parishioners and thanked Rev Jane Williams for the use of the church.
- 21/10-2 To consider filling in current Cllr vacancies by co-option, sign acceptance of office**
AB proposed AK, seconded DB
AB proposed RH, seconded DD
Anne King and Robert Hawes asked to join the parish council and signed their acceptance of office.
- 21/10-3 To receive declarations of Interest and grants of dispensation – AB declared a declaration of interest and will not be involved in discussion re-Graston Copse Holiday Park.**
- 21/10-4 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council planning meeting held on 5th May 2021**
DD approved, Seconded AB
- 21/10-5 Matters arising from the above minutes for information only and ongoing actions.**
- Rail has been installed on footpath near the caravan park
 - Dorset Council confirmed we will be getting a dropped kerb by the drain
 - The party in the Park (coming out of Covid village celebration) was a success
 - Tree works were completed re recommendations of tree report
- 21/10-6 Open Public Forum Part 1- limited to 3 mins per person.**
A member of the public spoke about the need for ‘a construction environment management plan’ in the planning application for Graston Copse Holiday Park as this development would mean a many heavy goods vehicles travelling through the village for the duration of a long construction development. (See item 9) Both he and Cllr Hawes, stated that this planning application was not properly advertised. Mark Roberts informed the meeting that there was, due to cost saving measures by Dorset County Council, the requirement that only 2 immediate neighbours need to be specifically told about planning applications.
A member of the public asked what part of the development would be in the

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conservation area. (See item 9)

A member of the public asked if the parish council agreed with the village needing a Speed Indicator Device (SID) (See item 14)

21/10-7 To ratify all decisions made using the scheme of delegation

Monthly planning applications and payments lists had been completed. Councillors had seen these and agreed to the decisions made.

Ratified by DB, seconded DV

21/10-8 To consider quotes and agree on decorator for Reading Room, Post Office and Phone box

Clerk explained that after invitation to tender were sent out to 6 contractors only one had sent a quote. Another had commented that in the current climate he hadn't got sufficient work force. The council felt they could not make a decision to spend such an amount of money on one quote. It was also noted that decoration to the post office should be in consultation with The Village Society and maybe best after the thatch work has been completed.

This was deferred to the next meeting and the clerk will seek further quotes.

21/10-9 To consider any planning items in circulation.

P/FUL/2021/03520Proposal:Demolition of existing shed and erection of new larger shed Location:Burton Bradstock Village Hall

DD proposed 'No Comment', seconded DV

P/FUL/2021/02628Proposal:Extension of the static caravan site to relocate caravan pitches to facilitate the proposed reorganisation of the existing caravan site layout; construction of a site road, parking spaces, serviced pitches, caravan decking and a surface water drainage attenuation pond, with landscape planting and a species rich amenity meadow.Location:Graston Copse Holiday Park

A site visit had been completed 4/10/21. The Councillors hadn't been aware of the need for a construction environment management plan but all agreed it was essential for the development to get approval, as they had been concerned about so much heavy traffic through narrow, residential roads that weren't appropriate for it. Although Cllrs can't find any material reason to object according to planning rules it should be noted that they find Dorset planning pro tourist industry and this impedes much needed affordable local housing to be built. In reference to the concern from the member of the public re conservation area. This application will not be built on conservation land and does incorporate a nature corridor and lake but as it stands it is a field that could have been dedicated to biodiversity instead of tourism. It is acknowledged that tourism brings jobs and boosts our local economy but needs to be balanced with the needs of both biodiversity and the people who live here.

DD proposed to submit 'no comment on condition of a construction environment management plan being put in place' seconded DV. Vote 5 for 1 against (RH)

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21/10-10 To consider and agree on insurance renewal for October

Clerk contacted 4 companies for quotes. The thatched roof on the post office, complexities the variety of needs, risk of flooding, were all reasons that our current insurers were the only company at present who were willing to quote. The decision was on the length of the cover.

DD proposed 5yrs seconded AB. Abstained RH

21/10-11 To confirm the date 17th November for the F&GP committee to meet.

With change of Councillors the numbers on the committee are low so it was asked that all council members try to attend. It was also agreed this would be useful for our new councillors.

21/10-12 To consider the grants made by using the local restriction funding.

It was agreed in Sept that the £10,000 small business grant given, due to the Reading Room being closed due to Covid restrictions should be spent on updating the Reading Room to modernize and make fit for purpose in the modern age. If more money was needed to achieve this, it could be available as we had other grants given to us throughout this time also. It is estimated that £15,000 would cover a redesign to make it more accessible, insulation and LED to make it more sustainable and IT solutions to improve its functionality.

DB to contact an architect to meet for redesign

Clerk to finalise IT shopping list and purchase

AB proposed seconded DD, all agreed

21/10-13 To consider the proposals Burton Bradstock will make for the Community Governance Review (see paper DD)

DD proposed to resolve a boundary anomaly concerning 4 houses and 4 more for which planning consent exists. These sit remotely from village facilities but on the boundary of West Bay. The proposed boundary change would place them in West Bay.

Also, a proposal for the reduction from 11 to 9 parish council seats as we no longer cover the management of the Hive beach facilities, and we struggle to make a council of eleven councillors. Therefore, we have to co-opt, and elections have not taken place for many years.

Seconded RH

21/10-14 To consider correspondence items received for consultation or decision and items for information.

- Councillors completed training on new code of conduct and digital register of interest. Proposal to adopt new code of conduct DD, seconded A.B. DB has now completed his ROI online.
- Groves quoted £150 for a 20ft Xmas tree. AB proposed to add a village Christmas tree to his order if he can obtain this at a better price. Seconded DB
- We received 66 emails supporting the need for a SID in the village. The council confirmed to the Speed watch team that they were in support of a SID and willing to pay for it but at present Dorset Council said that we didn't reach their criteria to have one. Cllr Roberts gave us another Dorset person to contact, and it was agreed to continue working on this with the Speed

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Watch team to provide further evidence that we now do reach the criteria.

- Litton Cheney had shared with us a presentation from the Dorset National Park group. Cllr Roberts informed us that following the Glover report Dorset are not on the list for a National Park.
- Following correspondence from a villager regarding Grove Rd triangle, the owner was contacted, and he explained builders from a nearby house had been parking there. He had plans to restore it to seating area with a view of the river.
- The clerk thanked Roger Ashman for his support in correspondence with Steelway Fensecure re new gate spring
- The clerk Thanks Bryan Brown and Emily Archibald for their support in correspondence with Pump International Ltd re new pump for the allotment.
- The Village Society asked whether we wanted to collaborate on celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The council suggested 70 trees planted on Corncrake as part of the Queens Canopy and a Beacon on Bindbarrow to be part of an international organization. Further consultation will take place.
- An email of thanks for taking part in the Michaelmas Fair- Well done Cllrs who collected apples and AB who managed the apple pressing stall.

21/10-15 Items for the BVN, Website and Facebook

New Councillors/Next Meeting date/ SID update/ Dec drinks

21/0-16 Items for next PC meeting on Wednesday 3rd November

It is hoped that we will have the tech equipment to hold the meeting in the meeting room via zoom for the public (there will be 6 chairs available for parishioners without access to the internet)

If this is not possible, we will book another venue.

To consider recommendations on the bi-annual playground report

To consider further quotes on external decoration of PC properties

To consider any decisions to be made re-reading room update

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 member of the public feedback that the acoustics in the church were not perfect. She informed council that the footpath alongside Larkfield was over hanging with brambles. DB to speak to James Cox.

A member of the public informed council that the footpath along the river behind Mill Gate house was becoming increasingly difficult to walk with prominent tree roots. DB to contact Bran Acres to find a solution.

A member of the public commented that he felt the communities respect for the work the council do had improved and this was represented by more engagement from the public at meetings. He didn't think zoom meeting would help this progression and after further comment about the acoustics he suggested if the reading room was not big enough for public meeting, we should look to hold them in the church or village hall.

Cllr Mark Roberts gave an update on things happening in the wider Dorset area.

Meeting closed TIME 9.10pm