

# Burton Bradstock Parish Council

Chair- Darren Batten

Clerk- Lesley Windsor



## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021

19:30

D Batten (DB)

A Bailey (AB)

D Venn (DV)

A King (AK)

L Windsor (Clerk/RFO)

**Chairman's welcome:** DB welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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

No comments

**21/11-1 To receive apologies for absence – DD, GM, RH**

**21/11-2 To receive declarations of Interest and grants of dispensation – none**

**21/11-3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2021**

DB approved, seconded AB

**21/11-4 Matters arising from the above minutes for information only and ongoing actions.**

- Highways have put a dropped kerb by The Drain, but we have now asked for lines and a sign to prevent parking stopping access.
- We are awaiting feedback on D. C's site meeting to consider road re-surfacing
- Waiting for named person to follow up SID issue from Cllr Robert's
- Christmas tree is booked please can **Village Society advice when it is needed.**
- Cllrs discussed GM's proposal about the Reading Room not being fit for purpose but there was unanimous opposition to this view, and it was proposed to continue with the agreed update. DV proposed AK seconded
- Re- information given at Oct's meeting stating that only direct neighbours would receive planning notices due to cost cuts by Dorset Council. It was noted that a recent email from DAPTC stated that no planning notices would be received by the public from the council. DAPTC have written to D.C. to question this as good practice, but Dorset Council stand by this decision. **BBPC are going to write to D.C. to add our weight to these concerns.** Proposed AK, seconded AB

**21/11-5 To consider any planning items in circulation**

**P/FUL/2021/03975 Location: 107 Southover Burton Bradstock DT6 4RD Proposal:**

**Conversion of garage to annexe**

No comment on planning grounds. Will note that the council are concerned that this could be a creeping development, which could attract further applications for development.

Proposed AB, seconded AK

**P/LBC/2021/04068 Location: The Rookery Church Street Burton Bradstock DT6 4QS**

**Proposal: Internal alterations to the ground floor layout of the main house**

No comment Proposed AK seconded DV

Chairman's signature:

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**P/LBC/2021/04441 Location: The Rookery Church Street Burton Bradstock DT6 4QS**

**Proposal: Alterations to facilitate the replacement of entrance gates**

No comment. Proposed AB seconded DV

**P/HOU/2021/04440 Location: The Rookery Church Street Burton Bradstock DT6 4QS**

**Proposal: Replacement entrance gates**

No comment. Proposed AB seconded DV

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**Items for decision: papers provided for all items for decision prior to the meeting**

- a) **To consider recommendations from the June play area inspection and agree on the suggestions put forward by Cllr Rees to finish off the play area.**

After a discussion on the recommendations from the report it was proposed that the gate in question of access to road for young children be locked until we have looked at other solutions. DB will consult with BBPC's weekly inspection team for their views. Clerk will put a request from users for their opinions in the BVN and ask Ken Hussey if there are alternative gates to install. Recommended work on the roundabout will go ahead. Clerk will buy suggested signs. The suggestions to finish off the playground will be looked at after this initial work has been done. Ask DD to source the hedge to go next to the river.

Proposed AB seconded AK

- b) **To consider any further quotes for the external decoration of PC properties.**

We have received a further quote to last month. Considerably cheaper. It is proposed we accept this quote asking for the work on the Reading Room and the telephone box to be completed in the Spring and the work on the post office to be completed in the Autumn after the thatching has been completed. Meanwhile any remedial work that is needed before the winter is completed asap.

Proposed DB seconded AK

- c) **To agree on the quote for the tech equipment for the Reading Room.**

To take the cheaper quote presented previously for the screen and consult with Bridport Town Council on their trail of Rally bar before we proceed with purchase.

Proposal AB seconded DV

- d) **To agree on the purchase of defibrillator equipment on behalf of the village society to save the cost of VAT.**

This purchase was agreed. However, it was suggested that it could be repositioned to a more prominent position and the council would support with any costs in this. Also, for the size of our village we could do with more than one defibrillator. We will bring this to the next meeting for the council to consider purchase or lease possibilities.

Proposed AK seconded DB

- e) **To discuss the issue of the proposals for 2<sup>nd</sup> homeowners in Wales and whether we should lobby for something similar in Dorset.**

It was agreed there could be merits in the Welsh proposal for a similar problem in Burton Bradstock. Extra revenue could be used to provide more affordable housing for the need identified in the village. AB to write a letter to Dorset Council.

Proposed AB seconded AK

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- f) To consider the receipts and payments for November.  
Approved DB seconded DV

## 21/11-7 Items for information only

- a) To receive any items of correspondence since the last meeting.

- I. **Dorset EV Chargepoint installation programme will soon be on phase 2b. Could Burton Bradstock partner with a local business or community group to help with funding**

It was suggested we approach National Trust for the Hive Carpark to be considered. Also, to check if the Texaco garage had completed their proposed installation.

**Clerk to contact National Trust**

**DB to contact Texaco Garage**

Proposed DB seconded DV

- II. **We have had an offer from eforests.co.uk for a minimum of 150 free trees.**

It was agreed to accept the offer as this would cover our pledge for The Queen's

Platinum Jubilee Green Canopy and ask **DD to follow up email as he will choose the appropriate trees for Corncrake.**

Proposed AK seconded AB

- III. BLAP parish Liaison requests funding from BBPC for the group.

**Funding was agreed** and it was proposed we ask new **Cllr RH to represent us in this group.**

Proposed DB seconded AB

### b) To receive village maintenance items and actions

- I. The Chair asked for it to be minuted how grateful we are for the work the volunteers do, particularly in the play area and flood prevention work.

- II. Bob Ayres has donated a manure drag to the volunteers. **The Clerk will send on a thank you letter.**

- III. The village did suffer from flooding at the weekend and this needs to be investigated further.

**DB will write to Martin Worley** at the Environmental agency to ask about the flooding issues on Manor farm detailed in Peter Tompkins report

**DV will follow up Dorset Council** after the investigation of the routing of water by Bredy Rd and Common Lane to see how they are going to move that on.

Proposed DB seconded DV

### c) Items for the BVN, Website and Facebook

- I. BVN- play area suggestions, Reminder of Christmas social after Dec parish council meeting, Thanks to volunteers

- II. Website-Flooding resilience survey

## 21/11-8 Items for next PC meeting on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, at St Mary's Church

- I. DB to chair for an extra month

- II. Playground

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## III. Defibrillator

### **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 thought the suggestion of a different type of gate in the play area was a good idea. He wanted to know who was responsible for clearing The Drain in Annings lane and thought he had seen some council people. The volunteers clear it. He is going to send a picture to the clerk of the bollard needed by highways to go outside of the church gate.

A member of the public who had been at the meeting with DC council to talk about alleviating the flooding by Bredy Rd and Common Lane agreed this needed following up. He also wants the council to question the modeling the Environmental agency did by Freshwater as this seems to have caused the flooding on Manor Farm.

The same member of the public compared the safety advice given in the playground inspection compared to what seem like laxer rules in the school playground.

A member of the public asked if the PC owned the playground, which we do. She suggested we check with Dorset Council on what rules we are legally bound to follow. She also talked about grants for defibrillators or lease arrangements She asked who she should report road issues to. This can be direct to the council or to the Parish Clerk. She too had been disappointed with the quality of the road resurfacing.

A member of the public agreed with our decision on the park gate. He also commented on the lovely atmosphere of the meeting. He has reported on the Highways' website the blocked drains on Shipton Lane as this could result in flooding on Middle St.

**Meeting closed TIME 21.15**