

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13TH MARCH IN THE VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

Cllr **Clarke** (Chairman), Cllr **Dru Drury** (Vice Chairman), Cllr **Blinkhorn**, Cllr **N Dragon**, Cllr **Haywood**, Cllr **Marshallsay**, Cllr **Parish**, Cllr **Roberts**, Cllr **Spicer-Short** & Cllr **Sumbler**

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr **Brooks** (Dorset Council) & Michelle **Harrington** (Clerk)

ABSENT:

Cllr **J Dragon**.

PUBLIC HALF HOUR.

2 members of the public were present.

One member wished to raise a point about 5G technology. This was noted.

One member wished to raise the following points:

1. Concern over the proposed Dorset Council West Street road works. This was noted.
2. Asked for more information about the bin at the end of Ollie Vyes Lane. A statement was given with regard to on-going communication between the Clerk and Dorset Waste Partnership and the possibility of an additional bin for this location.
3. Offer help to advertise any parish wide event.

0323-23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT(LGA) 1972 S85 (1))

Apologies have been received from Cllr J Dragon and accepted by all.

0323-24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No declaration was made. NB this does not preclude any later declarations.

0323-25 PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the full council meeting held on Monday 13th February 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record of the meeting. (LGA 1972, SCHEDULE 12, PARA 41(1))

Proposed Cllr Dru Drury

Seconded Cllr Blinkhorn

RESOLVED – The minutes from the full council meeting held on Monday 13th February 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record the meeting. Agreed with one vote against.

0323-26 DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr C Brooks gave a verbal talk through the generic Dorset Council written report which was submitted just before the meeting. This was noted.

A verbal update was given on the Purbeck Park footpath. It was noted Dorset Council is in consultation with the National Trust.

The issue of communication with the West Street householders about the road works was raised and why Dorset Council did not feel they should consult individual householders. Cllr Brooks agreed to clarify this and report back.

0323-27 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

No report was submitted, and no representative was able to attend.

0323-28 CLERKS REPORT TO INCLUDE:

0323-28a Matters arising and actions taken since the last meeting

The clerk submitted a written report before the meeting, detailing the updates on any matters arising from the previous minutes plus actions taken from the last meeting, this was noted.

0323-28b Financial Matters

The clerk submitted a written report before the meeting, detailing the monthly expenditure, income, and bank balances.

Proposed Cllr Parish

Seconded Cllr Blinkhorn

RESOLVED – The payments as listed within the Clerks report and supporting paper were approved.

Proposed Cllr Sumbler

Seconded Cllr Dru Drury

RESOLVED – To close the Gods Acre Lloyds Account and move the funds to the Redwoods account.

Action: Clerk to process payments.

Action: Clerk to close the Gods Acre Lloyds account moving funds to the Redwood Account.

0323-28c Parish Safety Report

c1 A Playground Safety report was submitted before the meeting this was noted.

c2 Defibrillator Monthly Safety Reports were submitted before the meeting this was noted.

0323-28d Policy Ratification

d1 Accessibility Statement

Proposed Cllr Sumbler

Seconded Cllr Haywood

RESOLVED – To adopt the Accessibility Statement as submitted.

d2 Privacy and Cookie Policy

Proposed Cllr Sumbler

Seconded Cllr Haywood

RESOLVED – To adopt the Privacy & Cookie Policy as submitted.

Action: Clerk to publish the Accessibility Statement and Privacy and Cookie Policy.

0323-28e BBC Great British Railway Journey

A statement was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.

It was stated Councillors are happy to offer help and guidance where necessary. – Agreed by all.

0323-28f Dorset Waste Partnership

A statement was submitted before the meeting with an overview on where we are in regard to requests made to Dorset Waste Partnership regarding:

1. Monitoring results for the dog waste bin by the Village Hall.
 2. Addition bin at the bottom of Ollie Vyes lane, which DC are installing at their cost as they removed our dog waste bin from Ollie Vyes lane.
 3. Removal of a dog waste bin by 124 East Street, and the installation of a new bin by 52 Halves Cottages.
- This was noted.

0323-28j Caretakers Report

Before the meeting a list of works the caretaker has undertaken this month was submitted. This was noted.

0323-29 PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS

0323-29a Planning Working Group – Planning Applications

The planning working group submitted a written report before the meeting detailing applications with recommendations.

a1

Application No: P/FUL/2023/01026

Location: Peake House, Valley Road, Harmans Cross, Dorset. BH20 5HT

Proposal: Change of use of Peake House from Use Class C2 (Boarding House) to Use Class C3 (Residential)

Recommend: No objection. We strongly support the application. Peake House was originally built in the early 20th century as a domestic property for family use. In 2005 it was converted to bed and breakfast use and in 2007 it became a boarding house for Purbeck View School in Swanage. The Council objected to this change of use and the PDC Planning Officer recommended refusal. However, the application was approved by the PDC planning board. The present proposal will return the house to its original domestic use. We strongly support returning it to domestic use as this has been its function for the far greater part of its life.

Agreed by all.

a2 **Application No:** **P/CLP/2023/00948**
Location: 25 East Street, Corfe Castle Dorset BH20 5EE
Proposal: Proposed erection of four cottages and one flat, and associated garages and access, as consented under application ref. no. 6/1987/0504.

Recommend: No comment. This application is for a certificate of lawful use proposal and is retrospective. However, we are not required to comment as it is for information only. The plans have been previously agreed and the work has started so there is no issue, and a no comment response would be appropriate.

 The recommendation was altered to:
 No comment as we do not feel we are qualified to make comment.
 To submit a letter to Dorset Council planning department requesting: given the age of the original application (1987) that the application be revisited, as it is believed the application would not be approved today.
 It was noted the loading bay which has been installed since the original application was submitted does not show on the plans.
 It was stated as the General Store now has a Post Office facility within the shop, the shop owners who live in the flat above, are not able to access the store once the store has closed. Due to this the only way to exit the building is through the storage area / garage; if there were to be a fire in this area there is no alternative fire exit.

 Agreed by all.

a3 **Application No:** **P/FUL/2023/00702**
Location: Castle View Information Centre A351 St Edwards Bridge To Norden Roundabout
Corfe Castle Dorset BH20 5DR
Proposal: Installation of an Air Source Heat pump to replace the existing gas boiler system and reduce the carbon emissions of the building as part of the National Trusts Carbon net zero goals

Recommend: No objection. This application is part of the National Trust's zero carbon policy. There are no visual aspects as the machinery is close to the building and cannot be seen from the castle.

 All agreed.

0323-29b. Treeworks Application

b1 **Application No:** **P/TRC/2023/01277**
Location: 33-35 West Street, Corfe Castle, Dorset BH20 5HA
Proposal: T1 Beech - Crown reduction by up to 1.5m approx. Crown lift to 5.2m over road and 3.5m over garden. Reduce back from adjacent buildings to provide 1.5m clearance approx.
 T2 Western Red Cedar - Remove tree to ground level.
 T3 Norway Maple - Reduce tree by up to 2m approx. to rebalance and reshape asymmetrical crown. Crown lift over adjacent building to provide 1.5m clearance.

Recommend: Cllr Blinkhorn stated T2 within the application is to remove a Cedar tree to ground level, however the reason given is based on visual impact rather than the health of the tree. Cllr Blinkhorn will conduct a site visit and will submit comment to the clerk. The comment will be noted during the April meeting.

Action: Clerk to submit application recommendations as stated above.

0323-30 INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT

A report was submitted before the meeting detailing the internal auditors findings from an audit carried out covering finances as at January 31st 2023. This was noted.

0323-31 REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

- a. SE Parish Meeting report by Cllr Clarke
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.
- b. PCRP report by Cllr Dru Drury
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.

It was agreed the clerk would write a letter to the Chairman of Swanage Railway Robert Patterson to raise concern and disappointment at the price of a ticket for the trial service between Wareham and Corfe Castle / Swanage. Adult return is £25 from Wareham to Swanage compared to a £4 bus fare. Agreed by all.

Action: Clerk to write to the Chairman of Swanage Railway Robert Patterson, raising concern and disappointment in the price of a ticket on the trail service between Wareham and Corfe Castle / Swanage.

- c. Kings Coronation verbal report by Cllr Blinkhorn
A verbal report was given this was noted. It was noted a request for a donation of £500 from the PC will be made next month.
The Council wished to thank Cllr Blinkhorn and the working group for all their hard work.
It was agreed by all the clerk will cancel the free parking day request for the 8th May 2023.

Action. Clerk to contact Dorset Council to cancel the free parking day on the 8th May 2023.

- d. 20mph report verbal by Cllr Blinkhorn
A verbal report was given, this was noted.
- e. Environment Group report by Cllr Sumbler.
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.
- f. Cost of Living report by Cllr Sumbler.
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.
Thanks were given to Cllr Sumbler for all her work on this project.
- g. Litter Free Purbeck report by Cllr Sumbler.
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.
Thanks were sent to Cllr Sumbler and the working group for all their work on this project.
- h. Purbeck Heaths NNR Sustainable Transport Meeting report by Cllr Sumbler.
A report was submitted before the meeting. This was noted.

The meeting ended at 20:51