

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 17TH APRIL 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

Cllr **Clarke** (Chairman), Cllr **Dru Drury** (Vice Chairman), Cllr **Blinkhorn**, Cllr **J Dragon**, Cllr **N Dragon**, Cllr **Haywood**, Cllr **Marshallsay**, Cllr **Parish** & Cllr **Sumbler**

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Adam Evans (National Trust) & Michelle **Harrington** (Clerk)

ABSENT:

Cllr **Roberts** & Cllr **Spicer-Short**.

PUBLIC HALF HOUR.

2 members of public (MOP) were present.

One wished to raise the following points:

1. When "The Goat Path" is discussed could we ensure there is a reference to the path being a Public Right of Way and not just a Goat Path as it is an important Public Right of Way.
2. A gate has appeared on East Comon leading to Sandy Hill Copse. The MOP has spoken to the National Trust and the Rempstone Estate to identify who put this gate in and is awaiting a response.
3. The MOP would like to create a leaflet similar to the one proposed by the National Trust last year, identifying local areas of interest, events and landmarks. The leaflet could be produced twice a year, once for the Spring / Summer and then again for the Winter / Autumn. Local businesses would be contacted to see if they would like to sponsor the leaflet. Would the Parish Council support this idea and consider a donation towards the costs?

The MOP was asked to put a business plan together and submit to Council for discussion and for Council to agree a way forward. It was stated in the past the Council had not and was unlikely to make a financial contribution towards a leaflet which is aimed at tourists.

0423-32 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT(LGA) 1972 S85 (1))

Apologies have been received from Cllr Roberts & Cllr Spicer-Short and accepted by all.

0423-33 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

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

0423-34 PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the full council meeting held on Monday 13th March 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record 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 March 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record the meeting.

0423-35 DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report was submitted before the meeting, and Cllr Brooks was unable to attend.

0423-36 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

Adam Evans was welcomed to the CCPC monthly meetings as the new representative from the National Trust. A report was submitted before the meeting, this was discussed and noted.

A Cllr raised a query regarding the recent installation of a Ground Source Heat Pump at Castle View Visitors Centre, asking if people who live locally in National Trust homes will have any work done to their homes to make them more energy efficient?

Adam was able to answer due to this old role within the NT as the Facilities Manager stating works are being identified to modernise National Trust properties including residential homes and it is hoped will be carried out to residents' homes in the near future.

A Cllr raised a query regarding the electrical charging point at Castle View. Adam stated with the recent installation of the Ground Source Heat Pump the EV point was removed for a short period of time, but there

are plans to replace the charging point this week. It was also stated the National Trust have a new agreement in place nationwide which will see the installation of charging points in all of its visitors' properties starting with the properties with the highest number of visitors. Therefore, it is expected Corfe Castle will be considered in approximately 2 years for some extra installations.

0423-37 **CLERKS REPORT TO INCLUDE:**

0423-37a **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.

0423-37b **Financial Matters**

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

Proposed Cllr Dru Drury

Seconded Cllr Marshallsay

RESOLVED – All payments as listed within the Clerks report and supporting paper was approved with a combined total of £5,151.18 including VAT.

Action: Clerk to process payments.

0423-37c **Parish Safety Report**

c1 The external playground safety report was submitted before the meeting and noted. It was stated Cllr Blinkhorn, the Caretaker and the Clerk are working on a works priority report and hope to submit this to full council next month.

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

0423-37d **Policy Ratification**

The following policy and Risk Assessment review was submitted before the meeting for ratification:

d1 Safeguarding Policy - All agreed to adopted as proposed.

d2 Risk Assessment – Weed Pulling. It was stated this policy was no longer required. - All agreed to remove from the risk register.

0423-37e **Parish Logo**

A document was present before the meeting, detailing various logo ideas. This was discussed.

Proposed Cllr Marshallsay

Seconded Cllr J Dragon

RESOLVED – To continue to use the current text logo "CCPC" with "Corfe Castle Parish Council" written underneath, however, to revisit the possibility of a new logo if further opportunities arise.

0423-37f **Caretakers Report**

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

0423-38 **PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS**

0423-38a **Planning Applications**

0423-38a1 **Application No:** **P/FUL/2023/01820 & P/LBC20230/01821**

Location: Glebe House, Wareham, Dorset BH20 5NS

Proposal: Reversion of property from three dwellings into one dwelling including general internal and external alterations.

Comment: Glebe House is grade 2 listed and lies on the Northern side of the Church Knowle Road about two thirds of a mile outside Corfe. Counsellors Haywood and Dru Drury undertook a site visit on the 15th of April. They were shown the proposed alterations and repairs by the new owners. These alterations include returning the whole property into one dwelling. They also propose considerable modernisation of the internal area including installation of bathrooms and central heating. They will also modernise the electrical and water systems and undertake repair work and modernisation on a building, which is in need of maintenance. The work to be undertaken will restore the house into a fully habitable state. The owners have discussed the project at length with the conservation officer and have modified their plans as a result.

Recommend: Strongly supported and recommend approval.

0423-38a1 **Application No:** **P/FUL/2023/01297 & P/LBC/2023/01298**

Location: 49 East Street, Corfe Castle

Initial/ Sign:

Chairman: Cllr S Clarke

Date:

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Proposal: Replace outbuilding; convert 'bakehouse' to additional residential accommodation; replacement extension on east elevation to form utility room; installation of double doors to kitchen and associated development

Comment: We had no comment on a previous application (P/FUL/202103526 and P/LBC/2023/03683) which was refused in July 2022 due to concerns of the conservation officer. This current application is now a redesign taking account of the conservation officer's concerns. Each concern has been addressed and in each case a revised design has been submitted.

Recommend: No objection and recommend approval.

0423-38b Treeworks Applications

0423-38b1 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.

Comment: Corfe Castle Parish Council, Object to the felling of T2. Western Red Cedar and believe more effort should be applied to saving the tree and making its appearance more acceptable."

Recommend: Objection to T2, noting the comment due date had passed and therefore the comment will be emailed to planning for consideration.

0423-38b1 Application No: P/TRC/2023/01619

Location: Old Church of St James Langton Road Kingston BH20 5LR

Proposal: T2 Ash - Fell to ground level.

Comment: It was noted the working group had not had time to visit the application location between notification and the meeting date. It was stated there were notes in the application this tree is being felled due to disease.

Recommend: Corfe Castle Parish Council make no comment.

Action: Clerk to submit planning & treework application as per recommendations.

0423-39 PERENCO / WYTCH FARM – OIL LEAK

A motion was received before the meeting from Cllr Clarke " The Parish Council expresses its deep concern about the significant oil spill in Ower Bay on 26th March which caused pollution in Poole Harbour and the coastline. The PC believes that the terms of the operating licence require fail safe maintenance procedures in this world class and highly sensitive environment. The PC asked how did the maintenance failure occur? What system changes are being put in place to prevent any reoccurrence?"

Proposed Cllr Clarke

Seconded Cllr Blinkhorn

RESOLVED – CCPC write to Perenco / Wytch Farm to enquire how did the maintenance failure occur? and what system changes are being put in place to prevent any reoccurrence?

0423-40 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Infrastructure Levy – A report was submitted before the meeting this was discussed. It was agreed Corfe Castle Parish Council make no comment.

- b. Car parking increases aim to limit impact on residents (email 30th March 2023) - A report was submitted before the meeting this was discussed.
It was agreed Corfe Castle Parish Council contact Dorset Council asking why there was no consultation on the planned car parking fee price increase. When our Ward Councillor informed us there would be changes made to the pricing structure it was not clear as to which areas would be affected and we were not informed specifically that the changes would affect the car park in West Street.
The email subject was "NEWS: Car parking increases aim to limit impact on residents" however in Corfe Castle the local Doctors surgery covers a large geographical area and there is a large number of patients who need to drive to the surgery rather than walk, so by increasing the 30 minute charge this is impacting residents, especially as it is unlikely tourists to Corfe Castle will only be visiting for 30 minutes. Corfe Castle Parish Council would request this 30-minute fee be revisited.
- c. Corfe Castle Evangelical Congregational Church – A report was submitted before the meeting this was noted.
- d. Stephen Mephram – response to traffic and parking report. A report was emailed to Councillors before the meeting, this was discussed and noted.

0423-41 KINGS CORONATION

A motion was received before the meeting from Cllr Blinkhorn "Corfe Castle Parish Council donates £500 towards the Parish Coronation Celebrations scheduled to take place on the 6th and 7th of May."

Proposed Cllr Blinkhorn

Seconded Cllr Dru Drury

RESOLVED – Corfe Castle Parish Council donate £500 towards the Parish Coronation Celebrations.

0423-42 REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

- a. Charging Ahead! Electric Vehicle Charging report by Cllr Sumbler.

A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.

A Cllr raised a concern regarding the new Dorset Council Electric Charging bays, in that where the bays are not marked, people park however they wish in front of the unit, and on a couple of instances a car has parked in such a way as to block the charging unit.

Action: Clerk to contact Dorset Council to suggest bays be marked in this area.

- b. Suttles Meeting with Planning Working Group report by Cllr Spicer-Short plus an addendum from Cllr Dru Drury.

A motion was received before the meeting from Cllr Clarke "The Parish council request representation on the Swanworth Landscape and Community Fund working group as the new quarry is situated in the Parish. and the Parish would expect to be involved in the use of any funds".

Proposed Cllr Clarke

Seconded Cllr Dru Drury

RESOLVED – The Parish council request representation on the Swanworth Landscape and Community Fund working group.

- c. NALC Emergency Planning meeting report by Cllr Parish
The Chairman & Vice Chairman recommend setting up a Working Group to discuss Emergency Planning Policy / Procedure and working with other local councils.
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.

Group to consist of: Cllr Blinkhorn, Cllr Parish, Cllr N Dragon, Cllr Haywood, the Chairman, and Vice Chairman. Cllr Spicer-Short will be offered a seat on the Working Group on her return.
- d. Youth Club
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.
- e. Railway matters report by Cllr Dru Drury
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.
- f. Environment Group report by Cllr Sumbler.
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.
- g. Litter Free Purbeck report by Cllr Sumbler
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.
- h. Low Carbon Dorset report by Cllr Sumbler
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.
- i. PTAG News report by Cllr Sumbler
A report was submitted before the meeting, this was noted.

The meeting ended at 20:45