

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8TH AUGUST 2022 IN THE VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

James **Gould** (National Trust) & Michelle **Harrington** (Clerk)

ABSENT:

Cllr **Blinkhorn**, Cllr **Marshallsay**, & Cllr **Roberts**

PUBLIC HALF HOUR. – NO MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WAS PRESENT

0822-93 TO RECEIVE AND TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT(LGA) 1972 S85 (1))

Apologies have been received from Cllr Blinkhorn, Cllr Marshallsay, & Cllr Roberts and accepted by all.

0822-94 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr N Dragon, Cllr J Dragon & Cllr Sumbler declared an interest on the Second home agenda item 0822-101. Cllr Dru Drury declared a non-pecuniary interest on the CVN item 0822-98 b4. No further declaration was made.

0822-95 PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

To approve and sign as a correct record the minute of the full council meeting held on Monday 11th July 2022 (LGA 1972, SCHEDULE 12, PARA 41(1))

Proposed Cllr Haywood
Agreed by all.

Seconded Cllr Dru Drury

RESOLVED – To approve and sign as a true and accurate record the amended minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 11th July 2022

0822-96 DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Brooks was not available to attend the meeting. No written report was submitted before the meeting.

0822-97 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

James Gould gave a verbal report including updates on the recent fire on Big East Common and The National Trust partnership with Minecraft and X-Box.

Action: Clerk to write to the Swanage Railway with concerns over the change in use from Diesel to Steam engines during a long hot dry weather spell.

0822-98 CLERKS REPORT TO INCLUDE:

0822-98a 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 with the following actions:

0722-88f: It was agreed Cllr Blinkhorn re-join the 20's plenty campaign to feedback to CCPC and also to aid the campaign on behalf of CCPC.

Action: CCCP agreed the Clerk contact Dorset Council to request they consider changing their policy to allow 20mph restrictions on A Roads. Corfe Castle Village offers to become a Pilot area.

0722-91: It was agreed the Clerk contact Dorset Council and decline the new offer to extend the double yellow lines outside of Why Jewellery's, and to request they continue with the originally agreed course of action to extend the restricted parking times from 15th March to 1st November. If the cost of public notices was the issue previously discussed items such as the removal of 1 parking bay outside of the National Trust Shop, 1 parking bay on West Steet after the Pink Goat by the sharp bend in the road, plus changing the single yellow lines outside Seasons Green to double yellow lines be considered at the same time.

0822-98b1 Financial Matters

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

It was suggested a letter of thanks be sent to JD Facilities from Council for the support given during the recent power outage. Agree by all.

Action: Clerk to write to JD Facilities.

Proposed Cllr Spicer-Short

Seconded Cllr Dru Drury

Agreed by all.

RESOLVED – To approve expenditure as listed totalling £2,479.64.

Action: Clerk to process payments.

b2 Car Parking Permit. Part 1 noted. Part 2. After a discussion it was proposed by Cllr Dru Drury, seconded by Cllr Haywood and agreed by all: To give residents priority over second homeowners regarding parking permits which become available. Council was reminded that the income from the Car Park needed to cover the cost of running the Toilet Block and therefore the cost of the permits would need to be assessed during the next budget.

b3 Gods Acre Fence: After a discussion it was proposed by Cllr N Dragon seconded by Cllr Sumbler and agreed by all the contract should be awarded to Contractor 3.

Action: Clerk to contact contractor to agree date for works.

b4 CVN: After a discussion it was proposed by Cllr Haywood seconded by Cllr Sumbler and agreed by all to increase the donation to CVN from December 2022 to £900. The annual grant to the Dubber would be reviewed for the 23-23 budget round.

b5 Treeworks: After a discussion it proposed by Cllr J Dragon, seconded by Cllr Spicer-Short and agreed by all the contract should be awarded to Contractor A.

Action: Clerk to contact contractor to agree date for works.

0822-98c Parish Safety Report

c1 Playground Safety Report - Noted

c2 Defibrillator Monthly Safety Report - Noted

0822-98d Policy Ratification

The clerk submitted a new Equality and Diversity Policy to replace the old Equal Opportunity Statement before the meeting. It was noted the new policy is a NALC model policy.

The new policy was accepted by all

Action: Clerk to publish the new policy.

0822-98e Access to update the website

After a discussion it was agreed by all Cllr Sumbler would be given access to update the website. It was agreed Cllr Sumbler would update the Environment Group page on a regular basis, plus the Home Page should anything urgently need changing whilst the Clerk is away.

Action: Clerk to change access rights to allow Cllr Sumbler access.

0822-98e Feasibility Study on improving pedestrian access near Kingston Hill

After a discussion it was agreed Cllr Spicer-Short & Cllr Haywood would investigate this issue and report back to Council in September 2022.

0822-98f Facebook statistics – Noted

0822-98g Correspondence

g1 Youth Club – Noted

g2 Webber Close - Noted

0822-98j Caretakers Report

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

Action: Talk to Caretaker and suggest sweeping the square rather than litter picking individual items.

Initial/ Sign:

Chairman: Cllr S Clarke

Date:

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0822-99 PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS

0822-99a Planning Working Group – Planning Applications

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

- 1** It was noted the following recommendation has been submitted as the due date was 4th August 2022.
Application No: P/FUL/2022/04201
Location: 5 West Street, Corfe Castle BH20 5HA
Proposal: Change of Use of 4-bedroom B&B to a single dwelling with associated internal alterations, construction of new rear facing porch, replacement windows to rear of the building (first and second floor) and replacement of existing outbuilding.

Recommend: No objection, however the present category of use should be confirmed.

- 2** Application No: P/ADV/2022/04493
Location: The Castle Inn 63 East Street Corfe Castle Dorset BH20 5EE
Proposal: Display 2 x double sided pictorial illuminated, 2 x amenity signs, 1 x sign written graphics, 2 x new amenity boards, 2 x new lanterns and 4 x new led floodlights.

It was noted the planning working group would consider this application in the following week as it had recently been received and will report back to Council. Agreed by all.

- 3** Application No: 6/2020/0321_1
Location: Swanworth Quarry, Kingston Lane, Worth Matravers, Swanage, BH19 3LE
Proposal: The winning and working of limestone through the lateral extension to Swanworth Quarry, retention of processing plant and existing infrastructure, importation of inert waste material for restoration purposes, and continued production and sale of recycled aggregates.

It was noted the planning working group would consider this application in the following week as there was quite a few new documents added to the proposal. Agreed by all. The application would be discussed at a future Council meeting

0822-99b Treeworks Application

- 1** Application No: P/TRT/2022/04300
Location: Woodside Chapel Tabbits Hill Lane Corfe Castle Wareham BH20 5HY
Proposal: G1 Group of Ash (5x stems) - Pollard to 10m. T2 Ash - Pollard to 7m. T3 Sweet Chestnut - Crown lift to 4m above ground level; Reduce the remaining crown by 2-3m.

It was noted this application is believed to be in Worth Matravers Parish.

Action: to check boundary and if necessary, contact Worth Matravers Clerk.

0822-100 JUBILEE BENCH – APPENDIX E

A motion was raised by Cllr Blinkhorn forming part of the agenda: "To enhance the longevity of the bench for future generations, it is proposed that the Parish Council take responsibility for the maintenance and insurance of the bench, and that the bench is formally added to the CCPC asset register" This was discussed.

Cllr N Dragon raised a point of order, asking if this motion could be discussed as Cllr Blinkhorn was not present at the meeting.

The Chairman suggested that if another Cllr was happy to recommend the motion and another Cllr second the motion then he was happy for the motion to be discussed. The Vice Chairman, Clerk and the majority of other Council members approved this suggestion.

Proposed Cllr Spicer-Short

Seconded Cllr Sumbler

Agreed by majority with 1 abstaining.

RESOLVED - CCPC to add the Jubilee bench to the asset register and to accept responsibility for the maintenance and insurance of the bench after instalment.

0822-101 DAPTC ANNUAL CONFERENCE – APPENDIX F

A motion was raised by Cllr S Clarke forming part of the agenda: "That DAPTC support the provisions in the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill to discourage the growth in second homes by a 100% surcharge on council tax and seeks further discretionary controls on the growth in holiday lets". This was discussed and it was agreed to amend the motion to: "That DAPTC support the provisions in the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill to discourage the growth in second homes by a 100% surcharge on council tax and seeks further discretionary controls on the growth in holiday lets and if passed a resolution be forwarded to NALC Local Government Association and Dorset MP's".

Proposed Cllr Clarke
Agreed by all.

Seconded Cllr Spicer-Short

RESOLVED – CCPC support the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill and request DAPTC place this motion on their AGM in November for wider discussion.

Action: Clerk to contact DAPTC to request the above worded motion be placed on the DAPTC AGM agenda.

0822-102 DAPTC – AGM – APPENDIX G

A motion was raised by Cllr J Parish forming part of the agenda: "CCPC support a motion to go to DAPTC AGM which asks NALC to lobby for alternative financing of PC elections"

Proposed Cllr Parish
Agree 3, Against 1, Abstain 4.

Seconded Cllr Sumbler

RESOLVED –CCPC support a motion to go to DAPTC AGM which ask NALC to lobby for alternative financing of PC elections.

Action: Clerk to contact DAPTC to request the above worded motion be placed on the DAPTC AGM agenda.

0822-103 PUBLIC CONSULTATION – FEEDBACK RESULTS – APPENDIX H & ANNEX H

After a discussion the following was agreed:

1. The Environment Group could contact the landowners of the proposed tree planting sites to seek permission for tree planting on their land. Then report back to Council with the outcome plus further information on tree types, finance arrangements and aftercare provisions.

2. No Mow Area:

It was noted this year the No Mow Area would mainly be grass, however in 2023 the No Mow Area would be planted with Yellow Rattle seed to stop the grass from growing plus wildflowers seeds scattered, meaning the area will be flowers not long grass.

After a discussion the No Mow Areas below were approved:

- a. A strip of land from the memorial bench to the heath access gate along the Eastern side of the playing field, with the provision of cut walkways through the No Mow Area to enable continued access to neighbours' property.
- b. The thin strip of land between the playground fence and the path between East Street & West Street.
- c. The area of land recently cleared of brambles by the lamp post, West Street end.
- d. The area behind the Youth Shelter.

0822-104 REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

All reports are to note unless otherwise stated.

- a. Environment Group Report - Appendix I - Noted
- b. Swanworth Quarry, annual visit – Appendix J, Annex i- Noted

The meeting ended at 21:01