

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsbury Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th October 2018. **These minutes will be ratified at our meeting in November 2018.**

Those present: Cllrs P Colfox, J Roddy, S Ralph, S Ainley, A Streatfeild, J Tinker and S Holmes. In attendance: Marilyn Stone, Clerk, Cllr S Christopher, Cllr D Turner and 3 members of the public.

Democratic Half Hour: The proprietor of 'Spudbox' asked whether she could trade one night per week within Symondsbury between the hours of 6pm to 8pm.

It was asked what had been done in relation to the motorcycles using the lane off Shutes Lane and it was questioned whether this was legal. It was added that the lane (beyond Shutes Lane) had been closed about 8 years ago whilst repairs to an ancient pavement took place. The clerk advised that Highways were investigating this and would be in contact in due course.

Information from DCC, WDDC Councillors and Dorset Police: Cllr Christopher advised that 1.4M had been added to the budget in connection with the work within Highways. Cllr Turner is now one of the twenty shadow councillors. A new logo has been agreed for the new council, using their existing designers. The 'transfer of assets' have not been approved and all call-ins have been stopped accordingly.

Cllr Christopher advised that the planning committee are meeting on Thursday 11th October at 1pm. The Budget Task and Finish Group have a meeting on Wednesday 10th October where they will be looking at how monies can be saved, through efficiency rather than cutting services. The WDDC have to remain compliant under TUPE which cannot be implemented until the Spring.

746 To receive and approve apologies for absence: Apologies had been received from Cllr Driscoll which had been accepted.

747 Declarations of Interest: Cllr Colfox offered a declaration of interest in item 'Field East of West Road, Bridport.

748 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2018: The minutes of the last meeting held on 11th September 2018 were approved and signed.

749 Chairman's Announcements: Cllr Colfox led the meeting in the absence of Cllr Driscoll. The Councillors wished Cllr Driscoll a speedy recovery and best wishes.

750 Clerks Report: The clerk advised that the website is now back up and running.

751 Finance a) Bank Balances: Current £15,348.82 Deposit £15,148.18

b) Payment of account for approval: i) Clerks salary ii) DCC (allotment rent) £235.00, iii) Bridport Town Council (Lengthsman) £1,200.00. On the proposition of Cllr Streatfeild and seconded by Cllr Holmes, it was **resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

752 Planning Applications and to consider any other planning/enforcement issues:

Councillor Colfox left the meeting

WD/D/18/001884 – Field East of West Road, Bridport – Non illuminated sign (advertisement) – No objection.

Cllr Colfox returned to the meeting

WD/D/18/002112 – West Bay Coastal Improvements Scheme, Esplanade to Quayside West Side Basin, West Bay – The West Bay Coastal Improvements Scheme involves flood defence works within West Bay, including: West Beach - repairs and strengthening to the existing western groyne and construction of a new stub groyne (eastern groyne), beach recharge to build up the design profile of the beach, and improvements and raising of the property wall on the northern side of the road running along the promenade (Esplanade); East Beach – This is partly within the Parish of Symondsbury. It was questioned what effect this will have on West Beach and Eype Beach in the long term? Cllr Colfox will draft an objection.

WD/D/18/002019 – Chesil View, First Cliff Walk, West Bay, DT6 4HH – Erection of single storey extension, decked terrace and balcony. Installation of a rooflight and dormer windows – No objection.

WD/D/18/001914 – 19 Brit View Road, West Bay, DT6 4HY – Replacement of an existing window and external door and window and installation of stainless glass balustrading – No objection.

753 Defibrillator – The Clerk reported that the defibrillator had been delivered and put in place. A training session had been arranged for Wednesday 17th October 2018 at 5.30pm by the kind permission of Symondsbury Estate at the Tithe Barn. The clerk will produce a poster for the noticeboard and arrange for Bridport News to attend. Councillors expressed thanks to Symondsbury Estate. Cllr Colfox added that there is the possibility that it may have to be moved from its existing location due to its effect on the listed building.

754 Land held by WDDC/DCC: Cllr Colfox presented the council with maps of parcels of land that sits within the parish of Symondsbury, however of no material value to the DCC or WDDC. It was requested that these parcels of land be transferred to Symondsbury Parish Council. A schedule of the land was shown to the Councillors. It was voted in favour by 6 members of the council and 1 abstained. It was agreed that the Clerk to send communication to request transfer.

755 Extended Bus Service to Symondsbury: Cllr Colfox advised that in view of the lack of buses on a Sunday wished to investigate the possibility of a service for Bridport residents to get to the café within Symondsbury at Sunday lunchtimes and vice versa. The clerk quoted figures from the bus service, Axe Valley Ring and Ride service, and that so far this year 44 parishioners had used the service, but on a downward trend from previous years. Cllr Colfox will investigate.

756 Water Supply to Pine View Allotments: Allotment holders at Pine View have requested a water supply at their allotments. The clerk had investigated possible grants and advised the councillors of the Big Lottery Fund. It was agreed to put an application in but to incorporate funding for a water supply at West Road as well. A quote had been requested from CAS plumbing and Heating.

757 Allotments – re keeping chicken: Cllr Ainley reported that a meeting between the Allotment holders at Pine View had been arranged for next week to discuss further and will make a recommendation at our next meeting.

758 Coastal Revival Grant: Mrs. Wingfield Digby's son has now received a quote for a complete rebuild of the wall at £30,000. The Clerk advised that the next round of applications for the Coastal Revival Grant is quarter 2 next year. The clerk to provide support in obtaining a grant to the landowner with the possibility of a temporary fence being established first.

759 Tipping Waste Transfer Licence: The clerk read out communication from Mrs. Wrixton to the councillors which satisfied the query. Cllr Ainley offered to help move the three remaining baths which will be incorporated into a letter from the clerk to Mrs Wrixton.

760 World War 1 Centenary Celebrations: Cllr Colfox informed the councillors of the installation of poppies being placed on Colmers Hill and sweeping down the hill to celebrate the end of the war. He had also received a quote of £12,000 to replace the flagpole. It was advised that the Symondsburry Estate should apply to the Parish Council in relation to this.

761 Spud Box Request to Trade within Symondsburry: The exact location of this is not yet known. However the proprietor has been advised that if she wishes to trade from the road she would have to contact Dorset County Council. The proprietor will apply to Symondsburry Estate to see if they have an available place.

762 Reports from lead members:

- a **Footpaths** – Cllr Ralph reported that some branches have been removed from the footpath in Watton.
- b **A35** – A meeting is due on 12th October 2018 together with Oliver Letwin MP.
- c **Transport** – Nothing new to report.
- d **Allotments** – Nothing else to report.
- e **Resilience** – A meeting is due on 22nd October ahead of the Winter period. Councillors should check their grit bins in their areas. It was felt that the grit bin should be moved in Eype and Cllr Ralph will ask the lengthsman.
- f **Coastal Matters** – Nothing to report.
- g **DAPTC** – Nothing to report.
- h **BLAP** – Cllr Streatfeild had circulated her report earlier. She advised that BLAP had been recognised as important and a valid ‘mouthpiece’. Blap is encouraged and Cllr Streatfeild will send a reply to Ian Bark and David Dixon on our behalf.
- i **Lengthsman Link** - It had been agreed with the lengthsman to re-located a dog litter bin within Symondsburry by a popular dog walking pathway. The lengthsman will also look at the damaged Perspex on the noticeboard at Broadoak. Cllr Holmes said that the standard of hedgecutting taken place recently in Eype had slipped and advised that the weeds had not been sprayed this year – the clerk to contact highways.
- j **Tree Officer** – Nothing to report.
- k **Ancient Monuments** – Cllr Holmes reported that the beacon had been missing for 6 weeks for repair and asked when it would be put back in place? At this stage it was to let councillors know.
- l **Symene Voice** – Next edition will be in March 2019.
- m **Neighbourhood Plan** –The Parish agreed to the proposed timetable changes. Cllr Streatfeild advised that Parish Councils are crucial in the delivery of Neighbourhood plans. The next consultation will be in December 2018. Cllr Streatfield will respond.

- n **Finger Posts** – Nothing to report.
- o **Symene Community Land Trust** – Cllr Streatfeild advised that we are awaiting developments for Watton Park.
- p **Planning** – Discussed earlier.
- q **Community Governance Review** – No longer required.
- r **Local Governance Review** – Nothing new to report.

763 Correspondence and information for distribution per attached listing (September): The list had been previously circulated.

764 Items for inclusion on October Agenda: Axe Valley Ring and Ride Grant request, Water supply allotments (clerk to investigate S106 monies).

765 To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th November 2018 at Symondsburry School at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.58pm.