

SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 7pm at Symondsburry School. **These minutes will be ratified at the January Parish Council Meeting.**

PRESENT: Cllrs Sir Philip Colfox, S Holmes, A Streatfeild, S Ainley, S Ralph, J Tinker and J Roddy. In attendance: Marilyn Stone, Clerk. No members of the public were present. All names were recorded in the Attendance book.

Democratic Half Hour during which members of the public are invited to raise matters of interest:

The clerk read out communication on behalf of a parishioner concerning the proposed planning application Land West of Watton Lane. It was agreed to forward the communication to the Dorset Councillors ahead of the scheduled Planning Committee on 17th December 2019.

Information from DC Councillors and Dorset Police: No reports were available.

955 Planning Applications:

(We discussed this item following item 961)

WD/D/19/002522 Gladwyn, West Road, Bridport – Erect single storey extension, install 2no dormer windows and extend existing dormer – Councillor Roddy has spoken with neighbouring property owners. **Support.**

WD/D/19/001237 Site of Colston, West Cliff Road, West Bay – It was agreed that the clerk would request an extension of deadline for comments to provide the councillors time to visit the property.

WD/D/19/002603 Highlands End Holiday Park, Highlands End, Eype, Bridport- Use of land for the siting 6no. glamping pods with decking, terracing, electric hook-ups, bench tables, gravel paths and parking. Provision of landscape and shelter belt planting (**Retrospective**)- It was agreed to request that the following condition be added should this retrospective planning application be granted – further screening to be provided to the whole caravan park particularly along the full length of the western side.

956 To receive and approve apologies for absence: No apologies had been received.

957 To receive Declarations of interest: None.

958 To approve the Minutes of last meeting: The Minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2019 were approved and signed.

959 Chairman's Announcements: None.

960 Clerks Report: The clerk reported that a decision was needed on the Precept/Budget for 2019/2020.

961 Finance: a) **Bank Balances:** Current account: £6,663.69 Deposit: £25,353.02

b) **Payments of Account for approval:** i) Clerk's Salary. On the proposition of Cllr Ralph, seconded by Cllr Tinker, it was **Resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

c) **Strategic Planning and Precept 2020/2021:** The Clerk provided the Councillors with the proposed budget for 2020/2021. She advised that the proposed precept of £14,910 would result in a 3.1% increase on last year. This would result in a precept for Band D of £28.86. The Clerk advised that there will be no further Local Tax Support grant. The Clerk felt that £5,000 of the reserves of £25,302 could be earmarked for specific projects. **All voted in favour of the precept of £14,910 and earmarking £5,000 for projects.**

962 Water Supply to Pine View/West Road Allotments: The Clerk reported that she had not yet received a quote from Chris Scadding in relation to the digging up and installing a pipe from the water cock outside near the garages at Pine View together with one or two water troughs. However, the quote will be provided after the Christmas period.

963 Dorset Council Plan/Engagement with Town and Parish Councils Consultation: The Clerk will forward the response from BLAP in relation to the Dorset Council Plan to all councillors for their comments. Symondsburys Parish Council will endorse the BLAP response together with further comments to be received. Cllrs Colfox and J Roddy together with the Clerk recently attended the Consultation: Engagement with Town and Parish Council. This is ongoing.

964 Consultation: Strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments: To be discussed at our next meeting in January.

965 Request to support the Local Electricity Bill: To be discussed at our next meeting in January.

966 Reports from lead members:

- a) Footpaths – Cllr Ralph has had no reply from Russell Goff recently regarding a couple of enquiries. Footpaths are understandably very muddy. The clerk to chase when required.
- b) A35 – The Parish Council are researching the owner of the strip of land alongside part of the A35 near the London Inn. In the meantime Cllr Ralph will talk to the lengthsman about clearing it.
- c) Transport – Nothing new to report.
- d) Allotments – A cheque of £500 had been received from the Walbridge Trust to be put towards the water installation costs at Pine View Allotments.
- e) Resilience – A Resilience Plan adopted by Symondsburys Parish Council will be placed on to our website on the home page.
- f) Coastal Matters – Nothing new to report.
- g) DAPTC – Nothing new to report.
- h) BLAP Report - Cllr Streatfeild will maintain her role. A new parish liaison is required and both Cllr Colfox and the Clerk will attend the next parish liaison meeting on Wednesday 22nd January at 4.15pm.
- i) Lengthsman Link – Cllr Ralph will ask the lengthsman to look at a footpath where the stile has been broken and the footpath alongside part of the A35. (See footpaths)
- j) Tree Officer – Nothing new to report.
- k) Ancient Monuments – Nothing new to report.
- l) Symene Voice – Councillor Roddy would like ideas in January 2020 for the next edition.

- m) Neighbourhood Plan – The final plan has gone to print prior to referendum on date to be organised by Dorset Council.
- n) Finger Posts – Nothing new to report.
- o) Symene CLT – Nothing new to report.
- p) Community Governance Review – Nothing new to report.
- q) Climate Emergency – Is in working progress.

967 New Projects– A35 Underpass, Planning Protocol (engaging earlier), New website and use of social media – Underpass: A representative from Hallam Land will be attending our meeting in February. Planning Protocol: Cllr Colfox to produce a first draft. Internet: The new Facebook page has started. £5,000 has been set aside for these projects.

968 Correspondence List: The list for November/December had been previously circulated. The Clerk read out a letter received from St John Ambulance thanking us for the grant.

969 Items for inclusion at our next meeting January: Allotment at Pine View, Projects, Local Electricity Bill, Consultation: Strengthening Police Powers to tackle unauthorised encampments, defibrillator at Eype (the clerk to write to a chalet owner re an electric source and to Bidy Wingfield regarding putting a box on the side of her building).

970 To confirm date of next meeting: Tuesday 14th January 2020 at Symondsburry School at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.28pm

Signed.....
Councillor Sir Philip Colfox

Date.....

