

## SYMONDSBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Symondsburry Parish Council held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7pm at Symondsburry School. **These minutes will be ratified at the September Parish Council Meeting.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Sir Philip Colfox, S Holmes, J Tinker, S Ainley, S Ralph and J Roddy. In attendance: Cllr K Clayton (Dorset Council) and Marilyn Stone, Clerk. 3 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:** Concerns were raised over the disappearance of a footpath alongside the A35 and it was asked whether a footpath could be re-instated from Dolton House to opposite to where the pavement starts outside Post Box House. Walking along the A35 is particularly dangerous along this route and a pavement would be sensible. Highways have cleared this area each year.

**Information from DC Councillors and Dorset Police:** Dorset Councillor, Kelvin Clayton, introduced himself and he works alongside our other Dorset Councillors, Sarah Williams and Dave Bolwell, all three of whom are Bridport Town Councillors too. Kelvin will sit on the Climate Emergency Committee, Economic Development and Digital Strategy in order to get Digital Dorset underway. He also advised that there is a full council meeting on planning next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July. He will also be involved with SENS Travel and Strategic Planning. Cllr Clayton advised that there is a monthly surgery put in place on the first Saturday each month in the Library, Bridport from 11am to 12pm.

PCSO Alex Bishop provided a report which the clerk read out. The main points being:

There had been some damage caused at Symondsburry Primary School and at the Church in the village during the weekend of 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Reports of livestock worrying had been received and dog walkers must make sure they keep their dogs on leads if there are livestock around.

**893 To receive and approve apologies for absence:** Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Streatfeild due to prior engagement and this was accepted. Apologies had also been received from both Cllr D Bolwell and Cllr S Williams.

**894 To receive Declarations of interest:** None.

**895 To approve the Minutes of last meeting:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th June 2019 were approved and signed.

**896 Chairman's Announcements:** Cllr Colfox asked that we consider any projects at this meeting and this will be discussed as part of item 8. Cllr Colfox asked if any councillor was available to attend the Citizens Advice Bureau AGM on 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm at Mountfield and Cllr Ainley will attend.

**897 Clerks Report:** The clerk reported that she had contacted local parish clerks regarding the use of the Speed Watch equipment.

**898 Finance:** a) **Bank Balances:** Current account: £10,207.77 Deposit: £20,251.15

b) **Payments of Account for approval:** i) Clerk's Salary (June and July) ii) Clerks expenses £50.54 iii) Association of Dorset Watches (Speed watch equipment) £326.54 iv) S Holmes expenses re Title Plans search £6.00. On the proposition of Cllr Ainley, seconded by Cllr Roddy, it was **Resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

#### **899 Planning Applications:**

**WD/D/19/001401 Sunnyside, Barton Lane, Eype, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 6AW** Erection of replacement dwelling – (without variation/removal of condition 6 of planning removal WD/D/18/2860 – remove requirement of obscure glass in bedroom window on the north elevation) – **Recommend**

**WD/D/19/001351 West Cliff Farm, West Bay, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 4HS** Erection of replacement dwelling – 5 councillors supported this application with 1 councillor with no objection. SPC support this application.

**WD/D/19/001553 Land West of Watton Farm** Erection of 4 dwellings with associated parking – it had been noticed that the question in relation to asking neighbours had been omitted from the application. Space for waste collection to turn would be a potential issue. Outline for 1 house had previously been agreed. It could be a potential over development of the site. Cllr Ainley will visit the neighbouring properties for their views and will advise the council accordingly for overall decision and notify the clerk accordingly.

**900 DAPTC Information Form:** The Clerk had previously completed this form but asked the councillors for potential projects that could be included and the following were suggested: A35 footpath, A35 underpass, climate emergency, planting of trees, opening of the river at Duck Street, restore pavements in Symondsburry, re-build of wall at Fisherman's Green, Eype, broadband, Shutes Lane-ancient pavement eroding away, a new allotment association, cycle path around the edge of Bridport.

**901 New Bin within Symondsburry:** The clerk to chase Palmers for a response regarding a new bin at the Ilchester Arms. In addition a new bin for the centre of Symondsburry would cost £336.88 plus fixings at £26.20. It was asked whether Nick Follett would make one? It was agreed to meet early at 6.45pm in the centre of Symondsburry before our September meeting.

**902 Road and Parking Signage – Symondsburry:** Cllr Colfox advised that the some residents of Symondsburry, and as part of the Road and Parking Group, do not like the new signs and felt that they are not good enough. The clerk was asked to write to ask that the following could be added to the Symondsburry Signs 'please use the free car parks'.

**903 Water Supply to Pine View/West Road Allotments:** Cllr Ainley had met with the representatives of The Walbridge Trust and discussed the work required at both the allotment sites at Pine View and West Road. Whilst the trust have agreed to help financially in principle, they require the request to come from an Allotment Association rather than the council. Cllr Ainley will lead this to set one up with local allotment holders and apply for the grant. The fee for setting up an allotment society membership is £3.00 per person per annum.

#### **904 Reports from lead members:**

- a) Footpaths – Following the concerns raised regarding the disappearance of a footpath alongside the A35, Cllr Clayton advised that he would speak with Will Austin at Bridport Town Council for advice and would be in touch with both the clerk and Mark Houghton, a parishioner, who would lead an action group. The clerk to check our insurance cover regarding the use of it. Cllr Ralph reported that a footpath had been tidied and cleared following a fallen tree.
- b) A35 – Nothing new to report.
- c) Transport – Nothing new to report.
- d) Allotments – Already covered previously.
- e) Resilience – Nothing new to report.
- f) Coastal Matters – Cllr Tinker reported that the work at West Bay is nearly completed, however, red materials had been used alongside the West Bay esplanade.
- g) DAPTC – Nothing new to report.
- h) BLAP Report - A report had been circulated.
- i) Lengthsman Link – Cllr Ralph to contact the lengthsman regarding some work that been reported. In addition to clear the entrance at West Road onto the A35.
- j) Tree Officer – Nothing new to report.
- k) Ancient Monuments – Nothing new to report.
- l) Symene Voice – Nothing new to report.
- m) Neighbourhood Plan – A meeting is due to take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2019.
- n) Finger Posts – Nothing new to report.
- o) Symene CLT – Nothing new to report.
- p) Community Governance Review – Nothing new to report.

**905 Correspondence List:** The list for June had been previously circulated. Cllr Colfox asked if this could be as near to up to date as possible ahead of the monthly meeting rather than by calendar month.

**906 items for inclusion at our next meeting-September:** New bin at Symondsburry, Water supply to Pine View and West Road Allotments – new Allotment Association, New projects – prioritise, River Brit Corridor Study.

**907 To confirm date of next meeting:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Symondsburry School at 7pm – (councillors meeting at 6.45pm). A meeting will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August should any urgent planning applications arise.

**Meeting closed at 8.57pm**

**Signed**.....

**Councillor Sir Philip Colfox**

**Date**.....

