## MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOWER WINTERBORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6th MARCH 2012 AT WINTERBORNE KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE: Mr. L. Lewis (Chairman) LL

Mrs. F. Langley (Parish Clerk) FL
Mr. M. Griffin MG
Mr. M. Cook MC
Mrs. S. Whittaker SW
Mr. I. Macfarlane IM
Mr. T. Ives TI

Jane Somper District Councillor

8 members of the public

**APOLOGIES:** Mrs. H. Cox (County Councillor)

Mrs. Emma Parker (District Councillor)

Mr. L. Burgess Mrs. S. Gale

Mrs. F. Ward (Answer phone message)

Mr. D. Holden

12/PCM/02 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

SW declared an interest in 1 planning notice.

12/PCM/03 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes accepted subject to changes following email from MG regarding the Precept and amounts to be taken from the reserves as opposed to being included in the

Precept.

12/PCM/04 MATTERS ARISING:

All action Items undertaken with the exception of meeting with the home owner regarding the pipe running across the footpath into the River Winterborne and the request to the Drax Estate for a single 5 bar gate to replace the one across the Old Allotments footpath.

12/PCM/05 RESOLUTION OF FINANCIAL REPORT:

Payment of Clerk's salary proposed SW, seconded by TI. All in favour.

Payment of all other bills proposed by SW seconded by TI.. All in favour. One additional item for the payment to Mr. Hart for remedial work to the footpath and wall at the nursery and Youth Club was agreed to be paid out of the Youth Building Fund, which is part of Parish Council Funds.

12/PCM/06 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

TI: Attached.

Following repairs to the retaining wall leading to the nursery/youth building, this now needs pressure cleaning and a coat of masonry paint applied at an estimated cost of £200.00. Proposed by TI, seconded by IM. All in favour.

Decision on the area in NE corner of recreation ground to be brought up as an Agenda item at next meeting.

Suspension of Bus Service through W. Kingston. Report from TI attached. It was agreed to write letter strongly opposing suspension without a replacement bus service to the NDDC/DCC and Bob Walter MP. (Action FL)

**MC:** Examined Drought Plan but did not send any comments back.

Work commenced on A31 and letters sent out to some residents in W. Zelston but it is not known where these originated from. This is ongoing work to improve safety of A31 around the Drax Wall.

There is water ingress into the Youth Club building and remedial work will be undertaken, paid from the Building Fund.

**SG:** Bins in the play park have been emptied and the drain holes have been cleared. Removal of the moss surrounding the play equipment will commence next week and the broken litter bin has been replaced.

12/PCM/07 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

**JS:** Council Tax for 2012/13 has been frozen at existing level. NDDC taking 2.5% from Government.

12/PCM/08 HOME WATCH/FLOOD WATCH:

No house burglaries reported in the area. 1 incident reported in W. Zelston but no details known at the present time. The Neighbourhood Team have received an award for their work at last year's Steam Fair. Dorset Fire and Rescue service are distributing leaflets in the area and will carry out checks on properties and will fit smoke alarms free of charge to residents. The river is not flowing at present and Mr. Hyde reported last month, a large tree down in the river at the back of Kingston Barnyard. Mr. Piers Chichester has been informed and will arrange for its removal before river runs again.

The problem of the Pipe discharging into the River Winterborne from the treatment plant serving two houses in W. Kingston across parish land is still causing concern. JS has been asked by Chairman to seek clarification with the Environment Agency and the Planning Enforcement Officer. It was felt that these were two separate issues, the crossing of the Parish land without consultation, and the usage of the correct pipe.

## 12/PCM/09 PLANNING:

Change of Use for former Dunbury First School approved by Planning Sub-Committee Resubmitted Plans by Cluttons for SCATS Site on view in village hall. No objections Tree work at W. Chase, W. Zelston proposed by TI, seconded MG, all in favour. SW withdrew.

Tree work at Manor Cottage, W. Zelston proposed by SW, seconded by TI, all in favour.

12/PCM/10 PARISH WEBSITE:

Narrative attached. Photos of Councillors taken for inclusion, Map to be sent by FL.

.12/PCM/11 DIAMOND JUBILEE UPDATE:

Committees set up in both W. Kingston and W. Zelston, planning ongoing.

12/PCM/12 ADDITIONAL RECREATION FACILITIES:

Decision on a different approach to be discussed at next Parish Council meeting.

12/PCM/13 CLERK'S Cilca TRAINING:

Proposed by TI. seconded by IM, all in favour. Bursary contribution from DAPTC to be sought for assistance with costs.

12/PCM/14 CORRESPONDENCE:

See attached schedule.

An additional item regarding the continual parking of a camper van outside the church in W. Kingston was raised. It was agreed that this did detract from the overall attractive appearance of this part of the village as well as causing a nuisance to the surrounding residents. It was thought that it could cause an obstruction in Church Street and it was proposed that a letter be sent to the owner asking them to find an alternative parking spot which would not cause a nuisance to residents. MG to approach the owners of North West Farm to see if they had any parking available. (Action FL/MG)

## 12/PCM/15 DOG FOULING AND DOG BINS:

Due to an increase in the dog fouling in W. Kingston it is proposed to purchase 2 more dog bins to be sited at the end of Bush Park and Bagwood Lane. FL to check with dog warden to ensure these would be empted when the existing bin at the Recreation Field is emptied.

(Action FL)

12/PCM/16 RIVER SIGNAGE:

It was agreed that a Deep Water Sign be purchased and placed beside the pond in W. Zelston to warn visitors and residents. SW to ascertain costs. (Action FL)

12/PCM/17 PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Report presented by Jocelyn Jenkins who is the Volunteer Ranger for footpaths and bridleways. She explained that there was a sum available for spending on improvements to these areas and also that the Parish Council may be able to obtain some materials to repair the pathway at the entrance to the bridleway at Bagwood Lane.

Village Meetings to be held in W. Kingston 2 May and W. Zelston on 3 May. Any agenda items to be forwarded to the Clerk at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 21.20

**NEXT MEETING** 

TUESDAY 8th MAY AT WINTERBORNE ZELSTON