MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOWER WINTERBORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8th MAY 2012 AT WINTERBORNE ZELSTON VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE: Mr. L. Lewis (Chairman) LL

Jane Somper District Councillor
Emma Parker District Councillor

5 members of the public

APOLOGIES: Mrs. H. Cox (County Councillor)

Mrs. F. Ward (Answer phone message)

Mr. D. Holden

12/PCM/01 ELECTION OF PARISH CHAIRMAN & VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE NEXT YEAR:

Chairman - Mr. Lynne Lewis - Proposed TI and seconded SW all in favour Vice Chairman - Mrs. Susanne Whittaker - Proposed TI, seconded MG all in favour.

12/PCM/02 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes accepted subject to change to MC's report, item 6 regarding the broken wooden signposts, this should read "wooden posts may be replaced by plastic ones but there is no money in the budget at present." Proposed TI, seconded by MG, all in favour.

12/PCM/03 MATTERS ARISING:

All action Items undertaken. Responses received from all regarding the suspension of the bus service and it was noted that the service has been scheduled to continue until 9th May whilst alternatives are sought. After discussions with NDDC and the information that no new dog bins would be emptied by the Council due to budget constraints, it was decided not to go ahead with the purchase of new dog bins until such time as they can be emptied by the Council. Information on signage sent to SW.

Following receipt of a letter from another resident in Church Road regarding the parking of the camper van outside their property and no response received to the letters written to the owner, it was decided that further courses of action should be investigated and followed up. Proposed by MC, seconded by MG, all in favour.

.12/PCM/04 RESOLUTION OF FINANCIAL REPORT:

Payment of Clerk's salary proposed TI, seconded by IM. All in favour. Payment of all other bills proposed by SG seconded by MG.. All in favour.

(a) The Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2012 was presented, approved and signed by the Chairman.

(b) The annual governance statement was approved by the Council and recorded. The monies allotted in the budget for the Diamond Jubilee expenses to be supported by invoices and cheques raised by the Clerk.

12/PCM/05 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

MC: This was last report as MC standing down from the Council. Reported that the Parish Maintenance Unit has now been disbanded due to budgetary constraints and all potholes etc. should now be reported to the Highways Authority on 01305 221020 and a reference number taken.

SG: Play park at W.Kingston in good order but approx. 10 of the fencing posts surrounding the area are now rotten and require to be replaced. It was agreed that a quotation be sought for this and also for fencing and gate to area at rear of the recreation ground which is being planted up with trees and benches installed as part of the Jubilee programme.

SW: All public areas in W. Zelston are in good shape. Permission was sought for gravel to be laid around the new Jubilee planter by the pond to enhance its appearance and it was agreed.

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DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT 12/PCM/06

> JS/EP: Olympic Torch to go through both Winterborne Whitechurch and Milborne St. Andrew and adequate parking has been allocated for people in surrounding parishes can watch. JS

reported that the BBC had been in touch with her regarding the event.

12/PCM/07 **HOME WATCH/FLOOD WATCH:**

> 8 incidents reported for rural South, a burglary of dwelling in Milborne St. Andrew, theft of a boat trailer from Anderson, cannabis found in pubs in Blandford. The pubs in Blandford are now monitored by CCTV and can pass information between themselves. The Safer Neighbourhood Team will not be available over Olympic period as they will be operating in Weymouth so response times may be longer for any local incidents. Parishes should be aware of scrap metal thieves, a drain cover stolen in Bush Park.

12/PCM/08 **PLANNING:**

See schedule. All approved. SW abstained from voting on tree felling in W. Zelston as she

had an interest in this item...

12/PCM/9 **PARISH WEBSITE:**

> Website up and running. More entries and photographs to be added. Notices to be displayed on the notice boards throughout the Parishes giving the details of the website address. Links to be added to Dorset4vou and also for the DAPTC.

DIAMOND JUBILEE UPDATE: .12/PCM/10

All the plans drawn up for both villages and the details to be displayed on the website.

.12/PCM/11 **INSURANCE FOR DIAMOND JUBILEE:**

The sub-committee set up by W. Zelston to plan the activities for the Diamond Jubilee are

covered by our insurers Cane & Co.

12/PCM/12 ITEMS RAISED IN VILLAGE MEETINGS:

W.Kingston - discuss repainting of telephone box with BT

W. Zelston - Fund raising event to be organised to pay for grass cutting in the churchyard. Signage for the river/pond and Children Playing to be investigated, together with any insurance implications.. Mobile library questionnaire to be returned as a matter of urgency. Proposal for a cycle path to use footpath or bridle path to be investigated with the ROW

officers.

12/PCM/13 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

See attached schedule.

One additional letter regarding grass cutting in Bush Park and the cutting of hedges locally.

(Action LL/TI)

12/PCM/14 **PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

> Report presented by Jocelyn Jenkins who is the Volunteer Ranger for footpaths and bridleways. She also gave clarification regarding the split of responsibilities between the ROW officer and the Volunteer Rangers. The ROW officer walks the paths, any problems he reports to the volunteer ranger for remedial work.

Planting of Copper Beeches and Scots Pines to be carried out in the Autumn.

Chairman thanked Mike Cook for all his work over the past years and expressed his best

wishes for a happy retirement from the Council

Meeting closed at 21.30

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 26 JUNE AT WINTERBORNE KINGSTON