

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF  
THE LOWER WINTERBORNE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON TUESDAY 15th OCTOBER 2013 AT  
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Mr M Griffin (Chairman)	MG
Mr. T. Ives	TI
Ms. S. Gale	SG
Mrs. D. Lewis	DL
Mr. G. Nash	GN
Mr. L. Burgess	LB
Mrs. S. Seaton	SS
Mrs. F Langley (Parish Clerk)	

8 Members of the public

**APOLOGIES:** Mrs. J. Jenkins, Mrs. J. Somper District Councillor, Mrs. E. Parker, District Councillor

Mrs. Sarah Seaton was co-opted onto the Parish Council as a new Councillor for Winterborne Kingston and took her place alongside the other Councillors.

**13/10/PCM/02 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Approved by SG, seconded by TI. All in favour.

**13/10/PCM/03 MATTERS ARISING:**

**JJ:** not at this meeting and no update available on Mr. John Williams with regard to improving the path alongside the river in W. Kingston. .

**FL;** Following the RoSPA report on the play equipment, the clerk has contacted the contractors who installed the equipment on a four occasions and is still awaiting feedback.

- GN to seek alternative quotes.
- MG to seek a possible grant to assist with the cost of this work.

Letters written to both tractor contractors regarding the speed of vehicles in West Street. Reply from other farm informing us that tractors cannot exceed 30mph.

Response to letter sent to DCC Highways Dept., regarding speed restriction measures in West Street. Only suggestion was to install a SID which can create other problems.

MG: Highways Dept., of Dorset County Council have responded to the suggestion of the erection of Intelligent Traffic Lights at the junction with the A31. They have informed us that this the responsibility of the National Highways Authority.

**13/10/PCM/04 RESOLUTION OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

(a) Payment of all bills proposed by TI seconded by GN. All in favour. (See attached schedule)

(b) Acceptance of Concluded Audit proposed by GN, seconded by SG. All in favour.

**13/10/PCM/05 PLANNING:**

**Ravensholt, W. Zelston** - some objections from neighbours which have been submitted to NDDC. Now awaiting decision.

**Greyhound Inn, W. Kingston** - No objection

**Tree Felling in W. Zelston** - Awaiting report from Tree Officer

**Mapperton Solar Farm**, response received from Good Energy to every point raised by the letter from the Chairman raising the concerns of residents which were aired at the last meeting. Letter received from North Dorset to inform the Council that they have also now been notified regarding this proposed development.

**Broad Close**, no acknowledgement received from NDDC to the Chairman's letter raising the concerns which were aired at the last meeting. However, on the website there are five letters raising concerns and mostly not in favour of this build.

It was also of concern that during a walkabout by the Spectrum Housing Officer responsible for this estate, she was not aware of this proposed development.

#### **13/10/PCM/06 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:**

None available.

#### **13/10/PCM/07 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**

**TI:** Report attached -

Grant to be sought for repairs to Mary Keynes' tomb.

Agreed to other works in churchyard and for purchase of topsoil and seed at a price of approx £1,000.00. Notices to be displayed explaining proposed works. New galvanised bin to be purchased.

Request for sale of existing football posts in recreation ground for approx. £50.00.

Awaiting confirmation of lease of football pitch by Bere Regis junior football team. They have smaller goals.

Request to revisit the split of the water bills for the cemetery, youth club and Montessori nursery.

#### **TI to review burial fees.**

**DL:** 33 people took part in W. Zelston river clear. Environment Agency have informed councillor that this is a main river and they will have to apply for a permit to remove silt from the bed. A member of the Environment Agency will come to the Annual Village meeting to talk about river management.

A new Councillor for W. Zelston has been found and will be co-opted at the next meeting.

**FL:** Form completed for DCC Highways Dept., to fill grit bins.

Approach from Bere Regis Clerk regarding the LWPC making a contribution towards the retention of the Post Office in Bere Regis and therefore the Outreach Post Office in W. Kingston.

**MG:** WK are winners of the Previous Winners in the Large Village Best Kept Village competition. Congratulations to Joan Nash and all her assistants for their continued hard work to achieve this. Thanks also to Brian Shears, assisted by Pat for all his work around the village hall.

Together with Brian Shears attended two meeting regarding the future of the bus services in the village. The final decision will be made by DCC at a closed meeting to be held on 6 November.

Request for approval to purchase book "Local Councils Explained" at a cost of £50.00. Approved by TI, seconded by SG, all in favour.

#### **13/10/PCM/08 HOME WATCH/FLOOD WATCH:**

In Rural South there were 21 incidents, one in Winterborne Stickland

was a dwelling burglary. There were 6 motor vehicle crimes and a criminal damage to a door in Winterborne Whitechurch.

There is discharge from the treatment plant in Broad Close and under their licence they are allowed to discharge 50 cubic metres per day. After tests it was reported that there were 1% of nitrates in the discharge. Allowable level is 15%.

Drax have done flaying work all along the river. Environment Agency have flailed all along the river from the Greyhound to Stoney Lawn. There is still a tree in the bed of the river which does need to be moved.

Mr Burgess has received approval from the Environment Agency to remove the sludge from his section of the river. After work by some fencing contractors, trees were thrown into the river. Arrangements are being made to have these removed. Mr. Morris has cleared the side of the river alongside the path between the Greyhound and Sackville Street and erected the Deep Water sign.

**13/10/PCM/09 INSURANCE RENEWAL:**

Approval to renew the Parish Council Insurance for the next 3 years with existing Insurers. Proposed LB, seconded GN. All in favour.

**13/10/PCM/10 DAPTC AGM RESOLUTION:**

It was agreed to support the first Resolution. No decision on the second Resolution. See attached.

**13/10/PCM/11 CORRESPONDENCE:**

See attached schedule

**13/09/PCM13 PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

Request that we are updated by Bere Regis following their PC meeting, regarding the discussions reference the Post Office so a decision on any contribution by LWPC can be reached.

Mr. Morris to be thanked for his hard work in the village, particularly the clearing of the roadways and paths.

Mr. Williamson, the Rights of Way Officer to be approached regarding the clearing of the bridle path by West Acres and who actually owns the land.

A letter to be written to Councillor Cox regarding parking at the new proposed development at Broad Close, the buses and the potential loss of the post office.

A request for a contact to cut the hedges along West Street and Mr. Kerley of W. Zelston was suggested.

**Meeting closed at 21.15**

**NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2013 AT WINTERBORNE ZELSTON VILLAGE HALL AT 19.30**