



Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 6th January at 7.30pm in Kington Magna Village Hall

Item	<p>Parish Councillors Present: Roger Gosney (Chairman (RG)), Nigel Osborne (Vice-Chairman (NO)), Kevin Aldred (KA), Tim Wilton (TW), Matthew Hoskins (MH), Ms Phillippa Chapman(PC), Fred Shotter (FS), Simon Stranger (SS)</p> <p>Dorset Councillors Present: 0</p> <p>Members of the public: There was 13 member of the public present</p> <p>Members of the press: There were no members of the press present</p> <p>In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM), Rowlo: Martin Hibbert (MHT)</p>	Action
	<p>Public Session: Members of the public raised the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous issue regarding the KM bus shelter barrier being bent and the removal of the bin. RG will take this up with Dorset Council. • In light of the closure of the Stapleton Arms in BW, a formal statement was submitted by a resident confirming 'the community does not want a change of use' for the pub. It was thought there may be a way of applying for it as a community asset but it would be a significant undertaking for the village and Parish Council to take on as a public house. • The state of the drains in KM are very blocked with mud. Dorset Highways have been dealing with areas of flooding in both villages but this has been a county wide issue and considering there has been excessive rainfall this winter, are doing their best. <p>Action: Contact DC regarding the KM bus shelter barrier and bin.</p>	RG
79/19	Apologies: Linda Munster	
80/19	To approve the minutes of the last Full Parish Council meeting held on 4th November 2019: Cllr Aldred proposed that "the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on the 4 th November 2019 should be approved as a correct record of the meeting." Cllr Hoskins seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
81/19	Matters Arising from the previous minutes: None	
82/19	Declarations of interest: <i>Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests:</i> KA regarding agenda item 87/19.2 being a neighbour of the applicant.	
83/19	Dorset Councillor's report: No councillors in attendance, no reports received.	
84/19	Police report: No PCSO in attendance, no report received.	
85/19	Chairman's report (including update from Dorset Council's speed appraisal meeting): RG reported that Dorset Council (DC) confirmed both villages are proceeding to the next stage for the installation of speed limits. Public/statutory consultations will begin in April and any objections will need to be investigated which may delay the process. Further details will be provided at the next meeting. Flooding has been very bad and although work has been carried out in the villages, the Filly Brook is a continuing problem and a longer term solution needs to be looked at with DC. The light pollution from Henstridge remains an issue and despite several emails to South Somerset District Council (SSDC), very little response has been received. RG, FS and possibly District Councillor Ridout, will be attending SSDC's next meeting on the 16 th January to voice the Parish	

	Council's concerns. The precept request will shortly be submitted to DC and RG was pleased to note that the precept figure has not increased in four years, with the Parish Council achieving much without additional contributions from the community.	
86/19	Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer's report: The report, accounting statement and bank reconciliation were circulated prior to the meeting, copies of which are available on request from the clerk.	
86/19.1	To receive and approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st November to 31st December 2019 including salaries and associated accounts: Cllr Aldred proposed to "approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1 st November to 31 st December 2019 including salaries and associated accounts." Cllr Hoskins seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.	
	Bank Reconciliation: The current account balance is £9096.91. The NS&I account balance is £4932.50. Payments received to date are £9984.14. Total payments out so far this financial year are £8506.50.	
86/19.2	To agree the precept request for 2020/2021 for submission by 31st January 2020: No amendments/additions to the proposed precept, circulated previously, were received therefore the reports issued with the agenda remain the same. Cllr Gosney proposed to "agree the precept request for 2020/2021 as per the proposal circulated to councillors." Cllr Aldred seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.	
	Action: Submit precept request to Dorset Council.	Clerk
87/19	Planning:	
87/19.1	To receive decision notices from Dorset Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blossom Cottage, Common Lane, Kington Magna, SP8 5EU. Develop land by the erection of 1 No. dwelling, form vehicular access. (Outline application to determine access). = appeal dismissed (2/2019/0504/OUT) • Spindelberry, Green Lane, Kington Magna. Erect single storey extension. Form new vehicular access, modify existing access and retain as pedestrian access = approved (2/2019/1036/FUL) 	
87/19.2	To consider application 2/2019/1645/HOUSE, Peasedene, Shave Hill, Buckhorn Weston, SP8 5HY: Erect 1 no. 2-storey side extension, 1 no. single storey rear extension and 1 no. single storey front extension: The applicants explained that a similar proposal had been submitted and approved a few years ago. Having temporarily moved away from the area, they were now back and aiming to forge ahead with the new application, having all three extensions under full planning permission instead of the front being permitted development only. Cllr Ms Chapman proposed the "Parish Council support this application as the proposal is very similar in design to the application previously submitted and approved and the character intended, and materials used, will be in keeping with the locality". Cllr Shotter seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.	
	Action: Submit comments to Dorset Council.	Clerk
87/19.3	To consider application 2/2019/1481/FUL, Land at E376250 N125235, Shepherds Hill, Buckhorn Weston, Dorset: Change of use of land to station 1 no. shepherds hut, create 1 no. parking space and install treatment plant: Having discussed the application in detail, Cllr Aldred proposed the "Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons: 1. The change of use applied for includes the entire 3 acre field rather than just the immediate area surrounding the proposed one shepherd hut and parking. The purpose of change of use for the entire field is not apparent in the application. 2. The treatment plant appears to be positioned at a higher level on the plot than the shepherd's hut which is curious. 3. The point at which the existing access joins Shepherds Hill has sharp bends on a steep hill and is already hazardous. The site's existing access is intended to be used by visitors who are unfamiliar with this lane therefore creating a further safety hazard. 4. The siting of the shepherd's hut is encroaching on the privacy of Vespers Hollow. 5. There is a public footpath directly across the field and it appears the soakaway will interfere with said footpath". Cllr Osborne seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.	
	Action: Submit comments to Dorset Council.	Clerk
88/19	Other Reports:	
88/19.1	Highways: RG submitted a report advising the council of the following:	

88/19.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both villages have been selected by DC to proceed with the next stage towards the installation of speed restrictions – see Chairman’s report above. • DC have spent £70,000 and 2 weeks making repairs to Church Hill KM to stop the flow of surface water. Some small leaks are still there and have been reported to DC. • The ditches in Back Lane KM have been cleared and excess water is now collecting in the run off. • Flooding issues at Filly Brook BW have been reduced – see Chairman’s report above. DC have been informed, that although better, this has not been fully resolved. It is thought a full solution will involve work to the brook and the culvert under the road. • Mud on the lane at Church Hill BW has been reported to DC. • Dip on Gigg Lane BW has been reported to DC and is in line for attention. • DC have been reminded that the vehicle activated sign at Stour Hill is still not working. <p>FS advised Nyland has also suffered from flooding.</p> <p>Public Footpaths (MHT): MHT confirmed there are no major new problems although many of the paths are suffering from quite a bit of flooding. The paths north of Barton Hill need sleeper bridges – the works have been agreed but need to be scheduled. Some broken stiles are being repaired. A broken dog stile and fingerpost were reported as needing attention. A meeting to introduce the first stage of the ‘adopt a path scheme’ will be held in KM village hall on the 25th January at 10am. This will involve walking the footpaths regularly. The second stage, to be introduced later on, will include minor maintenance to said paths. Health walks continue and MHT is hoping to reintroduce the Stour Head walks. The planning application for the Fifehead solar farm is going to appeal.</p>	
89/19	<p>Nyland - including updates regarding the light overspill at Henstridge and HACC meeting (FS): FS reiterated that flooding has taken place in Nyland and that a resident has queried the possibility of raising the road surface and may submit a formal request to the Parish Council regarding this. As per the Chairman’s report, FS will be attending the SSDC meeting on the 16th January to voice the Parish Council’s concerns regarding the Henstridge light overspill. He will also request a separate meeting for this issue. It was thought the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) may be of help and RG will contact them regarding this matter. Photos of high level lamps at the DC depot at Henstridge were submitted to the Parish Council and RG will take this up with Roger Bell.</p> <p>Action: Contact CPRE and Roger Bell regarding Henstridge light overspill</p>	RG
90/19 90/19.1 90/19.2 90/19.3	<p>Kington Magna:</p> <p>Kington Magna Play Area: SS regularly inspects the play area and reported all is well, apart from the wood chippings which are getting low and will need to be replenished in the summer. RG noted there is enough money in the KMPA budget to cover the cost. A resident has asked to install a commemorative toddler swing which the Parish Council are thankful for.</p> <p>Receive quote for the cleaning of stonework and lettering of Kington Magna war memorial and consider source of funding (FS): No quote received to date. RG considered another contractor who could proceed with the work immediately should be sought. (Current War Memorial budget = £137.13). Cllr Hoskins proposed “The Parish Council should go ahead with the above works provided the quote submitted is financially reasonable (within £200.00)”. Cllr Osborne seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved.</p> <p>Action: To approach Mr T Cox regarding the work.</p> <p>Horse Trough update: Nothing to report.</p>	RG
91/19	<p>To consider options relevant to the parish for climate change and carbon footprint reduction: The main areas for carbon footprint reduction are focussed on council owned buildings and the involvement of the community. It was suggested the Henstridge lighting issue could be linked in with this. Another possibility is for the Parish Council to consider renewable energy in a more positive light at planning stage. As the Parish Council do not own any buildings, not much was thought to be able to be put forward however, to continue to try and get Cllr Ray Bryan to attend and present at a Parish Council meeting, or perhaps Simon Hoare MP or Cllr Belinda Ridout.</p> <p>Action: To approach the above named and invite them to present at the next meeting in March.</p>	Clerk
92/19	<p>Update on Dorset Council requirements for a TPO on the Yew Tree and whether to proceed with an application (SS): SS reported no further progress will be achieved unless there is an immediate</p>	

	danger to the tree or the Parish Council can prove its historical importance. In previous correspondence with Roger Bell from DC, the tree was said to be over 100 years old. Action: Forward to SS a copy of said correspondence.	RG
93/19	Update on Shutes Lane goat farm and expiry of mobile home unit: The mobile unit remains on site, having passed the expiry date plus the further 28 days in which to remove it, and was reported to the planning case officer who in turn has forward this to the enforcement department at DC. Mark Hitchcott has acknowledged receipt and will investigate. It was noted that much excavation is currently being carried out and possibly affecting the drainage on the road. Blocked footpaths were also noted. Action: To visit the site and report back regarding the drainage. Action: Investigate blocked footpaths and report back.	KA MHT
94/19	Update on land next to railway line in Buckhorn Weston: No response was received to a request for an update. KA agreed to look into this matter.	
95/19	Items for next agenda: Update on meeting being held at Dorchester on the 3 rd February (KA). Update on details for speed limit installation (RG). Climate change presentation (by Cllr Bryan, Simon Hoare MP or Cllr Ridout). Update on Yew tree regarding TPO application (SS). Update on light overspill from Henstridge (FS). Update on land next to railway line and Shutes Lane in BW (KA).	
96/19	Matters Pertinent: None	
97/19	Date of next Meeting: Monday 2 nd March 2020 at Buckhorn Weston Village Hall 6.30pm – refreshments 7.00pm – Annual Parish Meeting BW 7.30pm – Full Parish Council Meeting	
	Meeting closed at 21.15pm	
	Signed Chairman Date	

Appendices

- A. Accounts and payments for the period of 1st November to 31st December 2019
- B. RFO & Clerk's report
- C. Bank reconciliation 31st December 2019
- D. 3rd Quarter budget report
- E. Proposed precept for financial year 2020/21
- F. Highways report

Copies of the appendices can be obtained from the Parish Clerk.