

MOSTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 following on from the AGM via Zoom

Present; Cllr. Neil Hickman (Chair), Cllr Rob Fry, Cllr Chris Lamb & Cllr Jim Cooper, and 2 members of the public.

Item No.		Action
	<p>PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF ITEMS ON AGENDA A resident reported that the notice board near the shop in in poor condition. Agreed to be discussed under Finance later in the meeting.</p> <p>Residents asked how many dwellings are included on the outline planning application for Land behind The Paddocks? Clerk confirmed that the application included a request for 9 dwellings.</p>	
2021/041	<p>APOLOGIES / DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST / GRANT OF DISPENSATIONS – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Angela Bullock, PCSO Alex Bishop & Dorset Cllr Rebecca Knox.</p>	
2021/042	<p>REPORTS FROM DORSET COUNCILLOR AND LOCAL POLICE OFFICER</p>	
a)	<p>PCSO Alex Bishop sent his apologies for being unable to attend and sent a report. See end of minutes. A councillor raised concerns about young people using electric scooters on the roads and pavements. The clerk has already raised this with PCSO Alex Bishop.</p>	
b)	<p>Dorset Councillor Knox sent her apologies and sent a report. See end of minutes. There was a discussion about the A3066 and the ongoing request to the Highways Department about the boundaries of the 30mph speed limits, which the parish council has repeatedly requested be moved further from the village boundaries, without success.</p>	
2021/043	<p>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 4th MAY 2021 The minutes were approved, proposed by Cllr Hickman, and seconded by Cllr Fry and signed by Cllr Hickman.</p>	
2021/044	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 4TH MAY 2021 Village Information Newsletter Resident Bill Bengé has put together a fantastic local information newsletter. It was agreed that the parish council would fund the printing of 400 copies, to allow for distribution to all houses in the village and some spare for the shop and pub to retain. <i>(Total cost was £92.00)</i> It was agreed that if further versions are produced, these will include a round up of what the parish council has been working on around the village.</p> <p>Due to lack of space it was not possible to include photos of parish councillors in the newsletter, so these will be sent to the clerk to add to the website instead. It The parish council expressed their thanks to Bill for producing the newsletter, which will be delivered to every household in the village in the next few days.</p> <p>Silt under bridge The clerk reported that she has met with the Dorset team responsible for the flow of river water under the bridge, and that they will carry out a site inspection. The clerk is also in the process of reporting potential water contamination from the pumping station into the river.</p>	All cllrs

	Sharyn Brown and Andrew House are both willing to become Trustees. The parish council were all happy with the new appointments, and thanked Graham and Dinah for all their efforts.					
2021/048	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Email from Ramblers Club, apologising for missing village meeting and notifying of boggy area on footpath to the side of church – reported to Footpaths Officer 2. Email regarding damaged fence to the right of play area, close to boundary with Axe Brook House – David Landscapes instructed to make repairs 3. Emails from Flood prevention team regarding flooding in Chedington Lane – circulated to parish councillors, no problems reported back to clerk. Large surface water drain towards The Paddocks, can we meet someone at highways to discuss, ask if Blair can come out. 4. Email from resident in Chedington Lane regarding possibly planning infringements causing surface water flooding – shared with parish councillors for info only. 5. Email from South Perrott resident regarding accidents at Lecher Lane Junction – email sent to Highways Dept to ask them to visit and assess for danger – no response received to date 6. Email from DAPTC regarding new Code of Conduct training for Cllrs – circulated, NH booked to attend, VR to re-circulate training links. 7. Temporary Road closure notification – Mosterton Cross 8. Email from Community Speedwatch coordinator regarding clash of sites with SID locations 9. Email regarding delegation of decision on planning application WD/D/19/003158 - BRANDON, MAIN ROAD, MOSTERTON, BEAMINSTER, DT8 3HN – inconsistent responses from 4 councillors, no clear decision so no response submitted 10. Proposed parking charging strategy consultation email 11. Ilminster Town Council Neighbourhood plan consultation 12. Chris Loder Local Authority remote meeting consultation response 13. Emails from resident regarding damage to road surface in Down Lane following recent flooding 14. Email from DC about Asset Transfer policies – not applicable to us currently 					
2021/049	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>See report at end of minutes</p>					
2021/050	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>Financial Status Mosterton Parish Council at 13th July 2021</p> <p>Treasurers account Payments made since last meeting</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">DAPTC Training</td> <td style="text-align: right;">35.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zoom</td> <td style="text-align: right;">14.39</td> </tr> </table>		DAPTC Training	35.00	Zoom	14.39
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Play area equipment repairs	42.00
Community Heartbeat Trust Defibrillator Annual service contract	151.20
Insurance	630.09
Play area inspection	111.60
DAPTC Subscription	276.14
Play area & Village Green maintenance & repairs inc. Caretaker	381.85
Repair kit for zipwire	157.80
Allotment land rent	5.00
New laptop	399.00
Village Hall Hire	17.00
Clerk salary (May & June)	530.40
Clerk's expenses (inc. mileage to attend extra meetings)	88.05

Income Since last meeting

None	
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Balance as at 9th July 2021 £18,657.49

Next PWLB payment due on 1st September 2021.

Amenities account

Balance as at 9th July £12,153.39

This includes a donation of £20.00 from Mosterton Preschool from the funds raised by the clothing bank.

Interest accruing at rate of approximately £0.10 per month.

The above payments approved, proposed by Cllr Hickman and seconded by Cllr Fry.

	<p>The clerk raised the issue of the parish council considering a regular annual donation to the village hall. It was agreed that this would be discussed when the 20200-2023 budget is considered.</p> <p>Clerk reported that the initial quote for a new notice board is £2770, inc. VAT. It was agreed to obtain 2 further quotes, and again consider the matter when the 2022-2023 budget is considered.</p> <p>Mr Bengel also offered to obtain an additional quote as he was involved with the replacement of the village hall notice board recently.</p>	
	<p>PUBLIC DISCUSSION TO RAISE ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS/GENERAL MATTERS</p> <p>Cllr Cooper raised a matter on the behalf of a resident who has reported that the dustmen on a Friday arrive at the same time as local school children causing inconvenience. It was noted that the parish council cannot affect the timings of the Dorset Council contractors.</p> <p>Cllr Fry raised the issues of flooding in Chedington Lane, and asked the clerk to see if a meeting can be arrange with the local Community Highways contact to discuss the drainage issues in the area.</p> <p>Cllr Fry reported that a resident has mentioned the possibility of renting the Old burial ground at Chapel court, but they have not attended the meeting tonight, so Cllr Fry will ask them to contact the clerk if still interested.</p> <p>Cllr Lamb raised the issue of dog waste bags for dog walkers. It was agreed to purchase some to be attached to lampposts around the village.</p> <p>A resident raised the idea of a dog waste bag on Down Lane. It was felt that there are too few dog walkers in that area to warrant the cost of over £400.</p> <p>A resident asked when defibrillator training may be next taking place. Clerk confirmed that face to face training is still on hold due to Covid, but we are on the waiting list once sessions resume.</p>	

Meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14th September at 7pm

Planning report July 2021

Planning App Number	Address	Works	Action/outcome
Applications received since last meeting			
P/OUT/2021/01128	Land East Of The Paddocks Mosterton DT8 3HQ	Outline application for the erection of up to 9.no dwellings and access	Comments submitted objecting to the application
P/VOC/2021/00925	Dunlop House Main Road Mosterton Beaminster DT8 3HJ	Change of use of double garage (C3) to create a nursery for a childminding business (D1 and erection of garage and 1.5m high boundary wall (Part retrospective) - Variation of Condition 2 and removal of Condition 3 of Planning Approval WD/D/19/001634 (with variation of Condition 5 of Planning Approval WD/D/20/001828 to increase the numbers of children attending).	Comments received back from only 1 parish councillor, so no comments submitted.
P/FUL/2021/00670	Shepherds Well Main Road Mosterton Dorset DT8 3HN	Erection of 1 bungalow following the demolition of showroom/workshop and convert barn to dwelling.	Comments received back from only 2 parish councillors, so no comments submitted.
P/PABA2/2021/01524	Broadoak Farm Watery Lane Mosterton Dorset DT8 3HG	Construction of agricultural road	Determination of whether or not Prior Approval is required for the proposal. No response required from parish council.
			Comments submitted to say happy for

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P/NOTP/2021/01061		Removal of 3 public phone boxes	removal as long as site is left clear and level
WD/D/19/003158	BRANDON, MAIN ROAD, MOSTERTON, BEAMINSTER, DT8 3HN	Partly demolish and rebuild stone boundary wall. Erection of single storey rear extension, porch and garage. Conversion of loft space and insertion of dormer windows. (Demolish conservatory	Option for Cllr Knox to request referral to planning committee. Inconsistent comments received from 4 councillors, 2 in favour 2 against, so no comments submitted
Decisions notified by Dorset Council since last meeting			
P/HOU/2021/00500	Minors Main Road Mosterton Dorset DT8 3HN	2 storey extension to ancillary accommodation	Approved 10/06/2021
Tree Applications			
TPO/2021/0033	Land East of The Paddocks, Mosterton, DT8 3HQ	T1 – Oak	Comments submitted in support of the TPO being applied

PCSO Alex Bishop Report

Good morning Vicky. Please find my apologies and a report as follows:

Fortunately I have little to report in terms of crime and other incidents. I would like to advise about scam calls that have come to our attention recently. A caller purporting to be a Police Officer advises that the recipients bank card is used in a fraud and attempt to get details. The Police would not operate in this manner, this is a scam, please do not pass any details over the phone and just hang up. If you think that the caller is a Police Officer, take their name, collar number, station they are based at and Force they work for, then hang up and call 101, choose the option to speak to the Force they said they were from to confirm the call is genuine. If you think you have given out any details to a cold caller, please call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040, or report it online at www.actionfraud.police.uk.

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I am hoping that I will be able to get back to face to face engagements in the next couple of weeks, therefore getting back to attending the Post Office each month. Should this be the case, I will be there on Monday 9th August at 1.30. Regards to all, Alex. Alex Bishop PCSO 5404

Report From Dorset Councillor Rebecca Knox

Dear Vicky and all, I am sorry I will not be with you this evening but I hope you have a good meeting.

I have followed up on several highways matters which Vicky has alerted me to. I have seen an update from Mike Potter regarding the A3066 Lecher Lane issue, and this matter at the moment sits with the police accident report to provide evidence for next steps.

The matter regarding the school sign – this has come as a bit of a surprise to the Lead Councillor for Schools and Children’s Safeguarding – I hope that matter is addressed now, I felt that safety of children was the policy area to address since highways have not been forthcoming.

Down Road – thanks to the vigilance of residents of Down Road that goes on I have now provided evidence that the Road was given a new makeover, whatever ones thinks of its standard, only in May 2021. For the road’s surface to fail within two months and then to be told these roads are not being actioned now is very disconnected. I have drawn the matter to the attention of Cllr Ray Bryan who leads on highway matters so it will go to the Director.

Community Infrastructure Levy – having had a review of this process, Dorset Council is continuing with distributing 15% of developers CIL to parish councils (25% if the parish has a neighbourhood plan). Considering the amount of development that has been carried out in the village I am hoping that the Parish Council is receiving the amounts it should be and that the process is working properly for Mosterton. There should be little the parish cannot spend the CIL on but if there are any adverse experiences then I would appreciate any feedback. Does the Council have the ability to check the amount it should be receiving through the paperwork from Dorset Council.

Community Grants – a process should be agreed very shortly that will open up a grants facility for local not for profit organisations. There is a lot of detail but what I helped to secure within it was that small groups wanting to carry out community projects would not have to have their own business bank accounts which can put them off right at the start. The solution being that a body like the parish council “look after” the award for them. Parish and town councils will have a say via the Dorset Councillor on the bidding process too, so to ensure local knowledge about what is needed and who is applying can assist in the grant making process. But more detail when it is finally agreed by the Cabinet at Dorset Council.

Virtual Meetings – there is still a considerable lobby to Central Government to allow councils to pursue the Hybrid Way of holding meetings and be legal. Some councils are using delegation at the moment, but that will not be able to continue for too much longer without the central Government making some regulations suit the 21st century and democracy through greater use of technology.

I hope you are all keeping well and safe.

Best wishes Rebecca

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