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PIMPERNE PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes for the above Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 10th April 2024. 7pm at Pimperne Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllrs P Slocombe (Chairman), B Adams, A Argles, T Harman, H Sutton, J Tanner

IN ATTENDANCE: Dorset Councillor Jespersen, Mrs J Fairman (Clerk), 4 Members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr John Beckford.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: To record any previously undisclosed declarations of interest in items on the agenda- None received.

3. To consider granting dispensation to Councillors as required-None required.

4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th March 2024.

-The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman

Chairman

5. HILLFORTS WARD REPORT:

-Cllr Jespersen reported that the Hybrid Wyatt Homes Planning application had been put to DC Planning Committee for a second time. Objections on behalf of Pimperne were raised by PPC Chairman Peter Slocombe/ Simon Hoare MP/Cllr Jespersen/Richard Burden (CCNL), Rupert Hardy (CPRE), Martin Richley and Steve O'Connell. The Committee again approved the application. However, following requests from Pimperne Parish Council, The Cranborne Chase National Landscapes and the CPRE, the Secretary of State has agreed to 'Call in' this application which means that there will be a public enquiry held before this application can be formally approved. This would be held later this year, where the focus of the enquiry will be the impact of this application on the AONB, landscape regulations and the breach of the Pimperne Neighbourhood Plan.

-The Chairman extended his thanks to Jo Witherden our Planning Consultant, and our speakers at the committee meeting.

-Cllr Jespersen reported that the trial of the new Auto Speed Watch camera is now in place and operational on the A354. The camera detects speeding and has number plate recognition, 2 letters will be sent to repeat offenders and on the third offence there will be a visit from a uniformed officer. This trial is an initiative of the Police and Crime Commissioner David Sidwick, and is funded by the Police, who decided where the camera would be positioned.

6. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD:

-A resident reported incidents of bad driving on the A354 at the Salisbury end of the village where vehicles overtaking on the brow of the hill and suggested that there should be white lines on the road. She also enquired what was the current situation regarding the installation of white gates at each end of the village. The Chairman explained that due to a communication break down at DC a further site visit needs to be arranged before the quote will be issued.

-A resident commented about the short notice and lack of information available, when the 2nd meeting for the Planning Committee regarding the Wyatt Homes application was announced, (as detailed item 5 above).

7. MATTERS ARISING:

-The Clerk confirmed that funds raised from the Photo exhibition displaying the photos from the Kings Coronation Garden Party, and archive photos from village, had been used to purchase 2 new flags, The Union Jack and the St Georges flag to fly on the church flag pole.

8. URGENT MATTERS: None raised.

9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

a) **New Applications:** None received.

b) **Approved Application:** None

c) Outstanding Applications:

-**P/HOU/2023/03265** – 8 Boyte Road -Planning Appeal– Raise the edge of the roof and convert the loft space to form bedrooms with Dormer windows.

-P/HOU/2023/05052: Little Barrow, Down Road, Pimperne – Demolish garage, erect garage, raise the ridge of the roof and convert the loft space to form bedrooms.

-**P/FUL/2020/00411**- Land East of Franwill Business Estate, Down Road – Erect 14 no. dwellings including 40% affordable, form new vehicular access and carry out associated development. **Clerk/Chairman**

d) Refused Applications:

e) Other Planning Issues:

-**Woodbury site and former Methodist Chapel** -The Clerk had completed and submitted forms on the DC website to report the state of this site to DC Enforcement Officer. **Clerk/Chairman**

-**S106 Homefield** – Funds to be released to purchase 2 kissing gates. DC Ranger to contact Colonel Oliver to ensure they are fixed to his satisfaction. Work should be completed by the end of April. **Clerk/Chairman**

--Franwill Site S106:

Items agreed to be included in the S106 agreement at the last PC meeting had been approved apart from 2 item being, the village archive and floral displays. **Chairman**

-**Farquharson Arms Development:** The chimneys have been reinstalled and the new wall at the front of the development has been built. **Clerk/Chairman**

-**EV charging stations** – Landscaping is yet to be completed – PC to check what species of trees the developer is planning to plant on this site. **Chairman**

f) **Tree Applications:** None received. **Cllr Sutton.**

10. Former School Field:

-No update.

Cllr Sutton/Chairman

11. Finance:

a) The Clerk had circulated the financial report for February 2023.

b) Payment Approval: The Parish Council approved the following payments.

Clerks Salary:	At agreed rate.
HMRC PAYE	£ 96.00
DAPTC Subscription	£ 486.54
Clerks Expenses	£ 34.75
The Blandford School -Spring Newsletter	£ 354.00
Dorset Planning Consultant	£ 640.98

Clerk/RFO

12. Officers Reports:

a) **Tree Officer** –No update.

Cllr Sutton

b) **Rights of Way**- No Update.

Cllr Argles

c) Flood Warden:

-There have been further incidents of sewerage erupting from manholes in Church Road. Wessex Water have stated that they will be working in the village and towards Black Lane in the following week. They confirmed that they have overspent on sending tankers out to flush out pipework and would not be sending any more tankers to pump out the water. Cllr Tanner requested that the Clerk contact WW for their schedule of works over the coming weeks and to request an explanation of what data they use to determine that the current pipework is adequate.
-There are currently trenches dug out on the A354 near to the Anvil but this works relates to the supply of water rather than sewerage pipes.

Clerk/Cllr Tanner

d) Highways:

-Cllr Tanner requested that enquiries be made to ascertain when previously abandoned culvert works in Church Road will be completed.
-The Chairman reported that a sweeper had been around the village and remaining loose chippings following surfacing work had been swept up.

Cllr Argles

Chairman

e) Village Hall: No current update.

Chairman

-f) DAPTC:

-Local Elections will be held on Thursday 2nd May, new Cllrs will be offered training. All coming to vote must provide photo ID before they are allowed to vote.

Cllr Adams

g) Transport Officer:

-It had been suggested that the bus stop formerly at the Farquharson Arms be reinstated further along the A354 closer to Yarde Farm, it was debated where would be the safest place for waiting passengers to stand. This matter to be discussed again after the election.

Cllr Harman

-A request to be made to DC for the vegetation on the pavement near to the bus shelter to be cut back to make the pavement wider.

Chairman

h) Community Officer: No update.

Cllr Beckford.

i) Climate and Ecological Officer: No update

Cllr Harman

13. Speedwatch/ Homewatch.

-To recommence when Derek Andrews returns from his holiday.

Chairman

14. Property checks

a) General: No current update.

Cllr Beckford

b)-Play areas:

Mr King has a copy of the recent Inspection report and will be making the necessary repairs in order of urgency.

Chairman

-Wicksteed have been notified and sent photographs of the sunken surface surrounding the trampoline, we await their site visit.

Chairman

15. Correspondence:

-The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th April, 7pm in the Village Hall.

16.

-A354 Dropped kerb to the Nursery – This is still an awaited item on the PC Highways list.

-Date & time of next Parish Council meeting: Wednesday 15th May 2024 at 7.00pm – The Village Hall. Meeting closed: 20.33pm.