



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARNE PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2023  
AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 7.15PM**

**Present:** Cllrs: R. Bessant; I. Church, I. Duckworth; J. Ives, A. Patrick and M. Sims.

Cllr. B. Ezzard (Dorset Council)

**Chair:** Cllr S. Cranshaw

**Clerk:** Mr. E. Macknamara

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr. R. Holloway (Dorset Council)

**Also Present:** 7 Members of the public.

The Chair, Cllr. Cranshaw welcomed all present to the meeting.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

The King's Coronation – Picnic: The Parish Council was asked to clarify the advertising for this event on the 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. The Chair reported that Stoborough School had been informed of this event and circulated details to parents. A Poster/Banner would also be prepared which would include details of the parking arrangements as parking at The Hayricks would not be possible. Stoborough Village Hall had kindly agreed to make their car park available for the event. Local residents would be invited to bring their own picnic and Notices would be posted in various places throughout the Village.

Planning Application 2023/01822 To add to the existing approval and create a ground floor side extension to provide a garage and utility space at Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge  
A resident informed the Parish Council of the continued concerns relating to this site and the conflict which existed with the outstanding application for 2 bungalows which had yet to be determined. This latest application would restrict access to the site particularly as a 1 metre biodiversity strip had been added to the application for the bungalows.  
Another resident pointed out that whilst there was no objection to this latest proposal there was concern about the outstanding application for the 2 bungalows.

The Chair pointed out that Cllr. Patrick had a non pecuniary interest in this site.  
Cllr. Patrick took no part in the discussion on this matter.

Planning Application 2023/01843 Erect two storey extensions to the east and west of dwelling. Demolish Garage at Maranoa, Norden Roundabout to Arne Road.  
The applicant was present to explain the need for the extension to this property which had been submitted following consultation with the RSPB, Natural England and the National Trust. It was explained that the extensions would enable a bathroom and kitchen to be added to serve the family and the pitch roof had been raised to the existing roof level. The

proposal was sympathetic to the area and the Parish Council was asked to support this application.

**1. Declaration of Interests**

**23.001** Cllr. Patrick declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 2023/01822 Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge (Agenda Item 14).

**2. 23.002 Death of Mr. John Burgess – Chair Stoborough Village Hall**

The Chair asked the meeting to record a mark of respect following the sad loss of Mr. John Burgess who had been active in the Village throughout his life and would be greatly missed.

Cllr. Shelley would attend the funeral on behalf of the Parish Council.

**3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2023**

**23.003** A copy of the minutes had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting.

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 be agreed as a true and accurate representation of the meeting and signed by the Chair. Agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes at the meeting.

**4. Matters arising – for report only**

**23.004 Arne Moors Project -Stakeholders Group:** Details of the next meeting were awaited

**23.005 The Kings Coronation 2023:** The event would be held on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 at the Hayricks commencing at 12.30 for 1pm start and finish at 4pm. Residents would be asked to bring their own picnic. Parking would be available at Stoborough Village Hall with the permission of their Management Committee. A Banner/Poster would be prepared to advertise the event locally and various locations were suggested.

ACTION: THE CHAIR
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**23.006 Flood Wardens and Resilience Plan:** No further information was available.

ACTION: The CLERK
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**23.007 Scottish and Southern Electricity – Priority Service:** The representative of Scottish and Southern Electricity had been unable to attend this meeting. It was noted that all residents had received details of their Priority Service.

**23.008 Allotment Site:** Cllr. Cranshaw reported that no further information was available and the matter of extending the allotments remained ongoing.

**23.009 Parish Council Website:** The Clerk reported that it hadn't been possible to arrange a convenient date to discuss this matter further. He would continue to make suitable arrangements

ACTION: THE CLERK

**23.010 ARNE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:** The Clerk reported that he had discussed the issue of reviewing the current Neighbourhood Plan with Dorset Council Planning Team. They had pointed out that it was possible for the Parish Council to review the existing Plan at anytime but it should be done in the context of the Purbeck Local Plan and the developing Dorset Local Plan. The Clerk felt that any review should be undertaken when further information was available from Dorset Council.

RESOLVED: That this matter remain under Review pending further information from Dorset Council.

ACTION: THE CLERK

**5. Dorset Councillor’s Report**

**23.011** Cllr. Ezzard’s report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The meeting to discuss the grass cutting at Stoborough Green had not yet been arranged. Cllr Ezzard reported on the Purbeck Local Plan in the context of the ongoing work on the Dorset Local Plan.

**6. To confirm the payment of accounts**

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The following payments were presented for payment:

INVOICE DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
25/03/2023	Scott Estate Management	Rent – Allotment Site	£72.00
01/04/2023	DAPTC	Annual Subscription	£534.41
16/04/2023	E. Macknamara	Clerks Salary -April 2023	£500.00
16/04/2023	E Macknamara	Telephone/Broadband	£16.17
16/04/2023	HMRC	PAYE Payment	£125.00
16/04/2023	Cllr. I. Church	Printer Ink	£9.99
		TOTAL	£1257.57

The Clerk also presented a report on the current bank balances and a summary of the Financial Report and Bank Balances for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023

RESOLVED: That the payments be approved, and the financial report received.

**7. 23.013 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)**

The Clerk had circulated the first Draft of the AGAR for information prior to the Internal Audit which would commence on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2023. The final figures were subject to this Audit and also receiving the final accounts from the Wareham Joint Burial Board which would

impact on the balances. The final AGAR would be circulated prior to the next meeting for final approval and signature. The AGAR would then be advertised prior to submission to BDO LLP for approval. Councillors confirmed that they had no conflicts of interest with BDO LLP.  
RESOLVED: That the report be received.

ACTION: THE CLERK/  
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**8. 23.014 VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR**

The vacancy in the office of parish councillor had now been advertised and Dorset Council had confirmed that an election had not been requested and could now be filled by co-option. The vacancy would be advertised inviting interested residents/electors to put their names forward for consideration.

ACTION: THE CLERK

**9. 23.015 The Arne Moor Project:**

The Clerk reported that he had asked for an Officer from Dorset Council to attend this meeting which had been declined as at this stage of this Project they would only be able to re-iterate information which they had already provided to the Parish Council.

However, they had confirmed that the Parish Council would not receive any monies from the S106 Agreement but they would encourage the Parish Council to come forward with small scale Projects where habitat compensation funds could be used. Details of this funding had been provided for the Parish Council to consider. The next meeting of the Stakeholder Group had not yet been arranged when further consultation with local residents would take place.

Details of the proposed 20mph temporary speed limit for various roads in Ridge and Stoborough had been circulated.

RESOLVED: That the report be received.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/  
CLERK

**10. 23.016 FP 11 Maintenance of trees**

Quotes were being obtained for work to trees along Footpath11 and would be submitted for consideration to the next meeting.

ACTION: CLLR SIMS/THE  
CLERK

**11. 23.017 Resilience Hub and Storage of equipment**

A meeting had taken place with representatives of the Stoborough Village Hall to discuss the proposed Resilience Hub and the installation and storage of the equipment for this proposal, including the generators. They had agreed that this would be discussed at their next meeting.

**12. 23.018 Parish Lengthsman:**

The Lengthsman continued to move the SID locations as needed. He had been invited to submit a quote for the tree work along Footpath 11.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/  
CLERK

**13. Parish Reports**

**23.019** Councillors' Reports on meetings attended:

Cllrs. Duckworth and Bessant had attended the meeting organised by the RSPB with the BBC. The details of the meeting would be released shortly.

Cllr. Duckworth had attended a meeting of the Climate and Emergency Support Group and also reported on Dorset Council policy relating to Zero Carbon Dorset details of which were available on the website.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/60Rsp3oQWRgow>

Cllr. Duckworth outlined the approach of the Dorset COP regarding the situation relating to the food supply in Dorset and the implications for climate change. Parish Councils would be invited to a meeting in due course.

Cllr. Bessant reported that he had attended a finance meeting of the Wareham Joint Burial Board to finalise their year-end accounts.

Cllr. Cranshaw reported on the Public Presentation organised by the Environment Agency relating to the Arne Moors Project. They would be inspecting trees along the access route prior to site works commencing.

**23.020** Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

**Hayricks:** . Cllr. Sims reported that tree work had been completed at the Hayricks including the replacement of some memorial trees and planting adjacent to the trampoline to soak up excess water.. Some weeding had been attempted  
Repairs to the Play Equipment at the Hayricks reported to the last meeting would be undertaken by Southern Playground Services when the materials needed had been delivered.

ACTION: THE CLERK/CLLR SIMS
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**Allotments:** The.allotment holders were now busy on their allotments. Manure had been Delivered.

**SANG – Bog Lane:** Problems of fly tipping had now ceased.

**11 To consider Planning Applications received**

**23.021** The following application was considered:

**P/HOU2023/01822** Proposal: To add to the existing approval and create a ground floor side extension to provide a garage and utility space.

Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge BH20 5BH Comment: The Parish Council would support the views expressed during the public session and request the Planning Authority to consider the impact of the current outstanding application for 2 dwellings on this application.

**P/FUL/2023/01236** Proposal: Erection of an agricultural building, Access track, associated car parking and hardstanding. School House access Road to Arne BH20 5BJ – No objection

**P/HOU/2023/01843 Proposal:** Erect two storey extensions to the east and west of dwelling. Maranoa, Norden roundabout to Arne Road, Corfe Castle BH20 5BJ – No objection

**PFUL/2023/02022 Proposal:** Retain 2 No. stretch tents with one full and two partial wooden sides. RSPB Arne Work Centre, Arne Road, Ridge BH20 5BH – No objection

Notification of Appeal: 6/2021/0332: 25 Corfe Road, Stoborough: Remove side extension and replace with two storey side extension with dual pitched roof. Single storey rear extension. Loft conversion with roof/dormer windows

ACTION: THE CLERK

#### **14 Correspondence and items for action and resolution**

**23.022 20's Plenty Campaign:** The campaign would be holding a meeting via Zoom on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2023.

The Group had also asked for Parish Councils to support the following motion to forward to Dorset Council:

(Arne) Parish Council supports the 20's Plenty Campaign for Dorset and calls upon Dorset Council to implement 20mph in the Parish and will write to Dorset Council to request 20 mph speed limits on streets throughout Dorset where people live, work, shop, play or learn, with 30mph as the exception for those roads, where full consideration of the needs for vulnerable road users allows a higher limit.

On being put to the vote the motion was carried

ACTION: THE CLERK

**Purbeck Transport Action Group** – Public Meeting at Purbeck Sports Centre, Thursday, 27th April, 2023 commencing at 18.30.

**Dorset CAN – Membership:** The Group had asked Parish Councils to become members of Their Group. Agreed that the Council become a member of this Group.

**New Infrastructure Levy Consultation – Correspondence received from NALC.**

Members noted the proposed changes to the CIL Levy and agreed to support the views put Forward by NALC to the Government.

**Proposed temporary 20 mph Speed Limit various roads Stoborough: Noted.**

**ACTION: The Clerk**

#### **15. Correspondence received since the Agenda was set:**

**23.023 Dorset Council Leisure Strategy Consultation:** Details had been circulated to all Members.

**Public Spaces Protection Orders:** Details of this consultation by Dorset Council had been circulated to all members.

**Website Links:** The Clerk explained that he was receiving a number of requests for links to be added to the Council's website. These ranged from Dentists to Care Homes and other social care providers. The Council was asked to give guidance on these requests.

It was AGREED that a policy would be considered when the new website had been finalised.

ACTION: THE CLERK

**16. Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman for discussion only**

23.024 No items raised.

**17. 23.025 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

RESOLVED: That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces Contract: The meeting considered the recommendations contained within the report of the Group which had met on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 together with the Draft Agreement to be used when appointing the successful Contractor.

RESOLVED: i) That the Stoborough Meadow and Open Spaces Contract be awarded to Adam Smart trading as Smart Garden Services for the period up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

ii) That the Draft Agreement circulated prior to the meeting be approved subject to amendments being incorporated into the agreement and circulated to all members prior to signature by the Chair and Clerk.

ACTION: THE CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.26pm

Date of next meeting:

Annual Parish Meeting: Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 commencing at 7.15pm

Annual Parish Council Meeting: Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 commencing after the Annual Parish Meeting. Venue: Stoborough Village Hall.

The Annual Parish Meeting is required to meet between 1<sup>st</sup> March and 1<sup>st</sup> June each year