



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARNE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 20th JULY, 2023
AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT
7.15PM**

Present: Cllrs: R. Bessant; I. Church; I. Duckworth; A. Patrick and M. Sims.

Chair: Cllr S. Cranshaw

Clerk: Mr. E. Macknamara

APOLOGIES: Cllr. J. Ives and Cllr. R. Holloway (Dorset Council)

Also Present: 16 Members of the public.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- **Floradene, Arne Road, Ridge – Application No. P/FUL/2022/04771**

Cllr. A. Patrick declared a non-pecuniary interest in this matter and would take no part in the discussion or any voting on this issue.

The Chair also advised the meeting that any rumours or unsubstantiated allegations would not be considered as part of the discussion.

A resident had contacted the Clerk outlining the concerns of residents regarding the delay in making a decision on this application by Dorset Council. The resident then outlined the concerns and asked the Parish Council to support the residents in their request that the application be dealt with without further delay. The email received from the resident had been circulated to all Members prior to the meeting.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Officer at Dorset Council in support of the residents.

ACTION: THE CLERK

- **Arne Moors Project – Traffic Flow:** A resident reported that the lorries delivering materials etc. to the Arne Moors Project were causing damage to the road and verges and several incidents had taken place including a collision with a tree. These issues would be raised with the Contractor.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/ CLERK

- **Holme Lane – Pop Up Campsite:** A resident informed the meeting of the local concerns concerning the proposal for a Pop Up Campsite in Holme Lane. The residents present at the meeting supported these concerns which included the impact on the River Frome and the Tollbrook Stream, the adverse impact on the adjacent wetlands and SANG. The use of disposal barbecues in this area was also a concern. He suggested that the proposal should be exempted from the Permitted Development rights and the amendments to them due to come into effect.

The support of the local Dorset Council Councillors had also been requested and the Clerk also advised that he had contacted Dorset Council as the Licensing Authority and the Planning Enforcement Officer. Cllr. Ezzard reported that she had also alerted the Officers

at Dorset Council of the serious concerns relating to this proposal and confirmed that no application had been made relating to this proposal which would need to be licensed by Dorset Council. Fire risks too were an issue as the use of fire pits had been proposed. The Planning Enforcement Officer had also been informed.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should support the residents' concerns and would also raise the strongest objections to this proposal.

ACTION: THE CLERK

- **Knowle Farm:** The Clerk reported he had contacted the site owner and the Planning Officer regarding the use of this site within the permitted development rights applicable. Discussions were ongoing between Dorset Council and the Site Owner.

1. Declaration of Interests

23.070 Cllr. Patrick declared her non pecuniary interest in the planning application outstanding at Floradene which had been discussed earlier in the meeting. She had taken no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

2. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th June, 2023

23.071 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 15th June, 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.

3. Matters arising – for report only

23.072 Resilience Hub/Flood Wardens: Further discussion relating to the Resilience Hub would be held during the confidential session later in the meeting,

23.073 VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR: There had been two expressions of interest from candidates to fill the vacancy. The Clerk was requested to ask both candidates to attend the next meeting to discuss the matter further with them.

ACTION: THE CLERK

23.074 Parish Website: A date for meeting the proposed web site providers was in hand. The current provider had indicated that updates to the current web site were imminent.

ACTION: THE CLERK

23.075 S106 Payments: The Clerk reported that the arrangements for considering proposed schemes relating to the S106 Monies arising from the Arne Moors Project had now been confirmed. The Clerk would circulate details to all Councillors for future discussion.

ACTION: THE CLERK

4. 23.076. Dorset Councillor's Report. Cllr. Ezzard reported on issues relating to Dorset Council. A copy of the report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

5. 23.077 To confirm the payment of accounts:

The following payments were presented for approval:

**ARNE PARISH COUNCIL
PAYMENTS - JULY 2023**

Invoice Date	Payee	Description	Pay Ref	Amount
07/07/2023	Smart Garden Services	Open Spaces Maintenance - June2023/Towpath/Tree Remoal	BACS 21	979.83
19-Jun-23	Stoborough Village Hall	Hall Hire 2021-2023	BACS 22	352.00
07/06/2023	Wareham Joint Burial Board	Parish Contribution	BACS 23	2220.10
20/07/2023	E.Macknamara	Clerk's Salary/Expenses/Print Cartridge	BACS 24	528.12
20/07/2023	HMRC	PAYE	BACS 25	125.29
Total for JULY, 2023				4205.34

RESOLVED: That the payments be approved and paid.

ACTION: THE CLERK

The Clerk also presented a report on the current bank balances and a summary of the Financial Report and Budget.

RESOLVED: That the financial report for the period ending 30th June 2023 be received.

6. 23.078 The Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2022/23

The Clerk reported that the dates for the public to exercise their rights to inspect the Accounts would commence on the 19th June, 2023 until 28th July, 2023. The final Annual Governance and Accountability Report together with the required supporting information had now been submitted to the External Auditor BDO LLP.

7. 23.079 FP 11 – TREE WORK

Quotes were awaited for the tree work needed along FP 11. These would be submitted at a future meeting.

ACTION: CLLR
SIMS/THE CLERK

8. 23.080 SWR Consultation Proposed Railway Station Changes: South Western Railways had carried out a public consultation on Railway Station Changes. Purbeck Transport Action Group had made a coordinated response to this consultation. The Parish Council confirmed their support to this response. The Clerk would respond to the Consultation on behalf of the Parish Council.

ACTION: THE CLERK

9. 23.081 Parish Lengthsman: The Chair had contacted Dorset Council to request assistance with moving the SID to help support the 20mph speed limit for vehicles delivering to the Arne Moors Project.

Cllr. Ezzard reported that Wareham Town Council had agreed to set up a Speed Watch Scheme and hoped Neighbouring Parish Councils would lend their support to the scheme. Volunteers would be needed and training and equipment provided. To this end Parish

Councils in the area would be asked for financial support of £500.

ACTION: THE CLERK

10. Parish Reports

23.082 Councillors' Reports on meetings attended:

Cllrs. Cranshaw and Duckworth had attended the meeting of the Arne Moors Stakeholders Group held via zoom on the 19th July, 2023. Cllr. Patrick had also been in attendance.

Cllr. Bessant reported that he had also attended the last meeting of the Stoborough Village Hall Committee and the minutes had been provided to the Clerk. In his capacity as Vice Chair of the Wareham Joint Burial Committee he had been invited to the judging of the Burial Grounds and the judges had been impressed with the standard of maintenance achieved by WJBC.

Furzebrook Village Hall: Cllr. Patrick had attended the last meeting of the Furzebrook Village Hall Committee.

Cllr. Cranshaw reported that Stoborough School had recently held their Annual Fete.

23.083 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Hayricks: Cllr.Sims reported that three trees planted by Dorset for Trees would need to be replaced. He had also asked Anvil to replace a dead willow tree. The memorial trees had now been replaced'

The Play equipment would need some repainting. Two bench seats needed to be repaired. The Men's Shed would be asked to carry out the repairs.

Southern Playground Services had sent a quote to repair protruding bolts on the slide and replace some surfacing amounting to £824 plus VAT. As this issue had not been raised in the Playground Inspection Report Cllr Sims agreed to review the need for this repair to be done.

A tree in Stoborough meadow had damaged a street light and a quote was being obtained to cut the branches back to prevent further damage. Dorset Council had repaired the light.

The planting enrichment areas were now flourishing.

ACTION: THE CLERK/CLLR SIMS

23.084 Allotments: The Clerk reported that there were now no applicants on the waiting list. It was agreed that an advert be placed on the Council website.

Cllr. Duckworth suggested that the cost of providing water taps to the allotment site should be considered during discussion of the 2023/25 Budget.

ACTION: THE CLERK

23.085 SANG – Bog Lane: Two local residents had found the missing “No Camping Signs” and had repaired and reinstated them on site. The meeting agreed that thanks for this action should be recorded in the minutes.

11 To consider Planning Applications received

23.086 The following applications had been received and details circulated:

P/HOU/2023/03489 Erect single storey extension (demolish existing conservatory) Hyde Cottage, 48 Furzebrook Road BH20 5AX

P/Phou/2023/03763 Erect two storey extension and alterations. Cypress Cottage, Barnhill Road, BH20 5BG

P/HOU/2023/03065 Erect a two storey porch and second storey extension over existing garage footprint, with dormer to front. Internal alterations. 35 Arne Road, April House BH20 5BH

No objections were raised to the above applications.

ACTION: THE CLERK

12 Correspondence and items for action and resolution

23.087 Floradene, Arne Road: This matter had been discussed during the public session.

23/088 The Moors at Arne Project: Work had commenced on this project on the 6th July, 2023.

23.089 Citizens Advice East Dorset and Purbeck> A letter of thanks had been received for the financial assistance given to them by the Parish Council.

23.090 The Arne Water Company: The company had now resolved the issue with the water pipe from Ridge to Shipstal. Cllr. Cranshaw had attended the meeting which had discussed this matter.

23/091 Public Spaces Protection Orders: Dorset Council were consulting on the introduction of Public Spaces Protection Orders and the Parish Council supported their introduction in appropriate areas.

23/092 Request from Wareham St. Martin Parish Council to support a Bye Law proposal to prohibit the use of portable BBQ's in Wareham Forest and surrounding heathland due to fire issues: RESOLVED: That Arne Parish Council support this suggestion.

ACTION: THE CLERK

13. Correspondence received since the Agenda was set:

23.093 D Day 80th Anniversary Celebration: DAPTC had suggested that Parish Council should consider giving support to the celebration of the 80th Anniversary of D Day in 2024. The item was deferred to a future meeting.

23.094 Volk Fest 2023: A resident had complained about the excessive noise arising from Volk Fest 2023 and asked the Parish Council to object to the granting of a licence in 2024. The information was noted.

23.095 NHS Campaign to help young people with learning difficulty: Details of this Campaign had been circulated to all members for information.

23.096 Litter/Dog Bins: Dorset Council had confirmed that work to replace dog/litter bins agreed with the Council in February, 2023 was now in progress.

**14. 23.097 Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman for discussion only:
No items were raised.**

15. 23.098 Resignation of the Clerk: The Clerk/RFO had submitted his resignation to the Chair on the 6th July, 2023 and the vacancy advertised on the DAPTC website. One application had been received. The date for submission of applications would end on the 31st July, 2023.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and the arrangement made to fill the vacancy approved.
The current Clerk would be ask to remain in post until the next meeting on the 17th August, 2023 to enable further discussion to take place with applicants.

ACTION: THE CHAIR/CLERK

16. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION 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 (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to the transacted.

23.099 Resilience Hub:

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.14pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday, 17th August 2023 commencing at 7.15pm Stoborough Village Hall.