



**MINUTES OF THE ARNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021 AT**  
**STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING 7PM**

**Present:** Cllrs I Church, I Duckworth, A Patrick, M Sims, R Bessant

**Chair:** Cllr S Cranshaw

**Clerk:** Mrs A Crocker

**Also Present:** 3 members of the public, Ian Alexander (Natural England), Catherine Farrugia (Environment Agency).

**1. Public Participation Period**

Jane Lambert of the Stoborough Meadow and co-founder of Sustainable Wareham – raised the enhancement of the Hayricks. No Mow May produced a number of interesting flowers. There has also been talk of tree planting on the site and she felt that the area in front of the new fence would be an ideal site for planting wildflowers and trees. She would be happy to co-lead a walk around the Hayricks telling people what is there and how the bio-diversity of the site will work and encourage pollinators.

Joy Gwinnett expressed concern about crossing the bypass from Grange Road. The bypass acts as a barrier to people living in Grange Road who wish to walk or cycle to Stoborough. She would like to request that a crossing is installed to facilitate this.

Catherine Farrugia reported that there will be a public presentation of the Arne Moors Project later in the year. The planning application is now due to go in after Christmas. The presentation that was given at the Stakeholders meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> July will be available on the website and members of the public are invited to send in any questions they may have. Funding is currently in place to take the project to the planning application stage. Once planning is submitted, additional funding will be requested.

**2. Declaration of Interests**

21.22 No interests were declared at this stage and no requests for dispensation had been received.

**3. To receive apologies for absence**

21.23 Apologies had been received from Dorset Cllrs Beryl Ezzard and Ryan Holloway.

**4. To agree the co-option of 2 Parish Councillors**

21.24 Two vacancies currently exist on the Parish Council and three candidates have put their names forward. Each candidate present was invited to say a few words. A secret ballot was taken, and Vivienne Ward and John Ives were duly elected to the council.

**5. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

21.25 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Patrick proposed them to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Bessant and agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes in the presence of the meeting.

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

21.26 Climate Change letters to MP and Councillors – letters had been sent and two acknowledgements received.

**7. Dorset Councillor’s Report**

21.27 A copy of Cllr Ezzard’s report had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. No comments were made.

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

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The following payments had been requested:

HRMC	July PAYE	BACS021	106.80
A Crocker	July wages & expenses	BACS022	443.39
Zoom	28.06.21 to 27.07.21	BACS023	14.39
DC Pension Fund	July pension contributions	BACS024	155.41
Dorset Sign Co	Balance of No Cycling signs	BACS025	223.00
D Norton	Refund allotment rent	BACS026	10.00

Total amount requested from Precept for July £952.99

Cllr Patrick proposed the payments are made. This was seconded by Cllr Church and agreed unanimously.

**ACTION: CLERK**

21.29 To agree the bank reconciliation and position against budget

Copies of the reports had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting.

21.30 To agree payments made under delegated powers

The following payments had been made during the period between 6<sup>th</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> June when the Parish Council was unable to meet.

25.03.21	Scott Estate	Allotment rent 25.03 to 24.09.21	BACS007	60.00
17.05.21	DAPTC	Annual subscription	BACS008	494.12
03.05.21	Barker-Fox	Internal audit	BACS009	69.25
04.05.21	Came & Co	Insurance renewal to 31.05.22	BACS010	1145.90
26.05.21	DC Pension	May pension contributions	BACS011	155.41
28.04.21	Zoom	Video conferencing May 2021	BACS012	14.39
26.05.21	A Crocker	May salary + expenses	BACS012	455.89
26.05.21	HMRC	May PAYE	BACS013	113.00

Total amount for May 2021			£2,507.96
28.05.21 Starboard Systems	Annual subs re accounts package	BACS014	345.60
08.06.21 DAPTC	Chairs training	BACS015	25.00
22.06.21 HMRC	June PAYE	BACS016	105.00
22.06.21 DC Pension Fund	June pension contributions	BACS017	155.41
28.05.21 Zoom	Video conference June	BACS018	14.39
23.06.21 Dorset Signs	Deposit on No Cycling signs	BACS019	223.00
28.06.21 A Crocker	June wages + expenses & laptop	BACS020	1,028.47
Total amount for June 2021			£1,896.87

Cllr Patrick proposed the payments are retrospectively agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Bessant.

## **9. Parish Reports**

### **21.31 Councillors' Reports on meetings attended**

Cllr Duckworth – Arne Moors Project 15/7; Climate & Ecological Emergency Support Group

Cllr Patrick – No meetings attended

Cllr Sims – No meetings attended

Cllr Church – Burial Committee

Cllr Bessant – Burial Committee – Cllr Bessant is now Vice Chairman.

Cllr Cranshaw – Arne Moors Project 15/7; WDDT 29/6

### **21.32 Reports from other village committees**

Stoborough Village Hall – No report available

Furzebrook Village Hall – No report available

Stoborough Meadow Residents' Association – No report available

Stoborough Primary School – Cllr Cranshaw has met with the Head Teacher, Mrs Murray. The issue with the nursery school has been resolved and parking has been arranged at the Kings Arms for drop off and pick up times.

### **21.33 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG**

Hayricks – Equipment – the sea-saw is now in and being used. There is an inclusive swing seat, and the trampoline has been installed. All the other work has been delayed by the bad weather, but it is hoped that this will be done next week. Play panels will be installed around the play area and some on the climbing equipment. The Men's Shed will be approached to undertake some painting.

Planting – An email had been sent to all members regarding a planting proposal. This will involve planting 4 or 5 trees in the central area but not encroaching on the football area. This will include a memorial tree, shown on the plan as ‘tree with circular bench’. About 60 shrubs will be planted around the site, largely all of which will be native species.

Cllr Sims proposed using Bonsai for the main plan, Anvil for the wildflower sections, subject to costings, and adopt the Trees for Dorset proposal for the hedge/boundary planting.

Cllr Patrick proposed that Cllr Sims suggestion is accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Duckworth and agreed unanimously.

Allotments – Cllr Duckworth reported that 2 of the allotment holders have recently retired. Both allotments were subsequently re-rented. Wessex Water attended the site to clear the overflowing sewage pipe after the period of heavy rainfall. The Scott Estate will be approached to see if they would be willing to donate the neighbouring area, currently not being used, as additional land for allotments.

**ACTION: CLERK**

SANG – Nothing to add.

21.34 To receive an update on the Parish Council website

The new website has now been populated with all the information from the old site and is up and running. Cllr Duckworth suggested a working party is set up to go through the website and decide what should be on it and how it should be organised. Cllr Sims and Cllr Church offered to assist Cllr Duckworth.

21.35 To receive an update on the Arne Moors Project

The Environment Agency has done a very thorough job of keeping everyone informed of what is happening.

**10. To consider Planning Applications received**

21.36 The following plans and tree work applications had been agreed and responded to during the period from 6<sup>th</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> June.

6/2021/0152 Ivy Cottage, Worgret Hill Change of use from garden storage building to holiday let and retain existing vehicular access  
**No Objection**

6/2021/0281 Worgret Heath Replacement poles  
**No Objection**

6/2021/0052 Long Barrow, Barnhill Road Erect new porch, render/clad existing walls. Erect new garage, greenhouse and garden room. Widen existing access.  
**No Objection**

6/2021/0346 Stoborough Heath Replacement poles  
**No Objection**

TPO/2021/045 103 Corfe Road T1 Oak – crown reduce; T2 Oak – crown reduce  
**No Objection**

TPO/2021/037 Galicia, Arne Road G1 Oaks – crown lift  
**No Objection**

TPO/2021/059 Daysies, 111a Corfe Road Various works to Scots Pines  
**No Objection**

## **11. Correspondence and items for action and resolution**

21.37 To receive and confirm all matters agreed under delegated powers

A copy of both reports had been issued to members prior to the start of the meeting.

21.38 To review and agree the Representatives on external bodies for the coming year

A copy of the existing list had been issued to all member prior to the start of the meeting.  
An updated copy will be issued.

**ACTION: CLERK**

21.39 To consider the outcome of the ‘No Mow May’ and review treatment of open spaces, including the planting of a wildlife hedge at the Hayricks

Cllr Duckworth had forwarded the report from Sophie Lake of Footprint Ecology to all members.

21.40 To review and update the contract in respect of Stoborough Meadow & village green

Cllr Duckworth had issued members with a draft proposal for the maintenance of the open spaces. Cllr Cranshaw proposed that the amended contract is accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Church and agreed unanimously.

The new recycled bench will be in place on Footpath 11 in the next month or so.

21.41 To consider supporting Church Knowle Parish Council in requesting a 40mph speed limit throughout Purbeck

An email had been received from Church Knowle Parish Council to canvass opinion on a 40mph. To date, the three Parish Councils that have responded – Kimmeridge, Worth Matravers and East Holme have all rejected the idea as most have organised their own form of traffic calming or do not perceive there to be a problem.

All members felt that this could not be supported. The Clerk will respond accordingly.

**ACTION: CLERK**

21.42 To consider any defects to be passed to the Lengthsman

- The SID needs to be moved

21.43 To confirm delegated powers to the Finance Committee to comment on planning applications, sign cheques and deal with any urgent business on behalf of the Parish Council during August

Cllr Church felt that the Parish Council should meet in August. This was seconded by Cllr Duckworth and agreed unanimously.

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

21.44 Verge outside the village hall is in need of cutting. The Clerk will contact the Village Hall Committee to determine whose responsibility it is.

**ACTION: CLERK**

Cllr Duckworth pointed out that, following the heavy rain over the weekend, several of the gardens of properties in New Road were flooded. This was partially caused by the run-off from the Lookout and partly by the fact that the water could not get away into the ditches along New Road. One of the issues seems to be the ditch running between the two fields, belonging to the Scott Estate which has not been cleared for many years. They will be approached once again to ask if they would clear the ditch.

**ACTION: CLERK**

Cllr Bessant highlighted the problem of flooding on West Lane by the bypass. Instead of clearing quite quickly, it took two days to clear. Cllr Ward will submit a report to Highways with a list of the drains that need clearing.

**ACTION: CLLR WARD**

Members are reminded to pass any items for inclusion on the August agenda to the Clerk by the 6<sup>th</sup> August.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:45hrs.