



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARNE PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2023  
AT STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT  
7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs: R. Bessant; I. Duckworth; J. Ives, and M. Sims.  
Cllr. B. Ezzard (Dorset Council)

**Chair:** Cllr S. Cranshaw

**Clerk:** Mr. E. Macknamara

**APOLOGIES:** Cllrs. I. Church, C. Loades and A. Patrick. Cllr. R. Holloway (Dorset Council)

**Also Present:** 2 Members of the public.

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

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

A representative of Natural England was present and gave an update on the Arne Moors Project. A Public Event would be held in Stoborough Village Hall on the 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 between 2pm and 7pm.

A Construction Management Plan was being prepared and it was hoped that work on the site could commence on the 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 although vegetation clearance had already been started. The terms of the S106 Agreement was being discussed by the Lawyers prior to the payment required being made to Dorset Council.

The Contractors (Kier) had appointed a Public Relations Officer for the Project and would attend future meetings of the Parish Council.

Hayricks – Footpath Repair: A resident asked if the surface of the footpath recently repaired at the Hayricks could be monitored. A local resident had noted that in places the surface appeared to be “gritty” which might prove to be difficult to walk on for less mobile persons. The situation would be monitored.

**1. Declaration of Interests**

**22.202** Cllr. No declarations were made.

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

**22.203** A copy of the minutes had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. The following amendments were proposed and seconded:

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 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**

**22.204 The Kings Coronation 2023:** Cllr. Cranshaw reported that the local school had offered to assist with the publicity for the proposed Celebration Picnic on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 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. Portable toilets to be considered. Children would be encouraged to enter a Best Crown Competition. The Stoborough Village Hall would be asked if their car park could be used for parking. Publicity to be agreed at the next meeting.

ACTION: THE CLERK

**22.205 Flood Wardens and Resilience Plan:** The Clerk reported that he was awaiting further information regarding the Flood Resilience Plan and would report further to the next meeting.

ACTION: The Clerk

**22.206 Scottish and Southern Electricity – Priority Service:** The representative of Scottish and Southern Electricity had been unable to attend this meeting but hoped to be present at the meeting in April.

ACTION: The Clerk

**22.207 Allotment Site:** Cllr. Cranshaw reported that the situation regarding the use of the adjoining land to extend the allotments was dependent on clarifying the current position with the current landowner.

ACTION: The Chair/Clerk

**4. 22.208 NOTICE OF MOTION –** The following Notice of Motion has been received under Standing Order 9 from Cllr.Duckworth:

“That Arne Parish Council invites local resident members of the Arne Moors Stakeholder Group to join in establishing a small group (say 6/7 people) which would:

- Review and if appropriate propose amendments to the various agreements that have to be entered into between the Environment Agency and Dorset Council as part of the implementation of the Arne Moors Project;
- Make recommendations to Dorset Council on the environmental projects to be initiated under the S106 Agreement between the Environmental Agency and Dorset Council to address the loss of priority terrestrial habitats. Dorset Council have indicated that these S106 funds should be spent on creating, restoring, or enhancing priority grassland and woodland as close to the site as possible.”

“Arne Parish Council is the Community most affected by the Moors at Arne Project, and hence, I suggest that the Community should be involved in commenting on and influencing the various agreements and expenditure of the £550,00 S106 Funding which should be spent locally as far as possible.

This motion put forward and seconded at the last meeting had stood deferred pending legal advice from DAPTC/NALC which had now been received and circulated to all Members.

The Chair reported that Natural England would be continuing to hold the Stakeholders Group which could be used as a forum to involve local residents on how the section 106 Monies might be allocated by Dorset Council. This would enable the Parish Council to formally discuss any projects put forward by residents prior to being forwarded to Dorset Council as the Local Planning Authority responsible for the disbursement of S106 Receipts.

A suggestion that the Parish Council should be entitled to a fixed proportion of the S106 Monies from the Arne Moors Planning Permission would be clarified with Dorset Council.

The meeting agreed that the important issue was to continue the involvement of residents in the discussion regarding the Arne Moor Project and the Stakeholder Group could, for the time being, continue to be used for this purpose. It was, therefore,

RESOLVED: i) That the Parish Council use the Stakeholder Group as a means of involving residents in the Arne Moors Project including the disbursement of monies received by Dorset Council from the S106 Agreement.

ii) That the Officer appointed by Dorset Council to monitor the Arne Moor Project be invited to the next meeting.

ACTION: The Clerk/Chair

## **5. Dorset Councillor's Report**

**22.209** Cllr. Holloway's report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Ezzard added that a meeting was being arranged with Aster Housing regarding the ongoing maintenance of the grass verges. Cllr. Cranshaw confirmed that the Parish Council would attend such a meeting if invited.

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

### **22.210 To confirm the Payment of Accounts**

The following payments were presented for payment:

INVOICE DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/03/2023	j. Ives Refund	Printer Cartridge	£26.38
15/03/2023	DAPTC	Networking Event	£75.00
16/03/2023	R. Bessant	Underpayment	£3.00
16/03/2023	E. Macknamara	Clerks Salary -March 2023	£500.00
16/03/2023	E Macknamara	Telephone/Broadband	£16.17
16/03/2023	HMRC	PAYE Payment	£125.00
		TOTAL	£745.55

The subscription to McAfee Live Safe £109.99 was deferred to enable the Clerk to consider alternative providers

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

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

## **7. 22.211 Parish Lengthsman:**

The Clerk had circulated the current Contract with the Lengthsman and it was agreed that this should be reviewed and updated. The Lengthsman continued to move the SID locations as needed.

ACTION: The Clerk

**8. 22.212 RESILIENCE HUB:**

The Clerk had contacted the Chair of Stoborough Village Hall who had agreed to a meeting with an Electrician to check the suitability of the Electrical System for the Generators to be used at the Village Hall as a Resilience Hub.

ACTION: The CLERK/CHAIR

**9. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:**

**22.213** Members would be asked again to confirm their availability so that the proposed meeting with website providers could go ahead,

ACTION: THE CLERK

**10. Parish Reports**

**22.214 Councillors’ Reports on meetings attended:**

Cllrs. Cranshaw and Duckworth had attended the meeting organised by Dorset Council via Zoom which had discussed the challenges of Climate and Ecology priorities within their Corporate Plan.

An Officer had been appointed to oversee the strategy being adopted for the Natural Environment Climate and Ecology. Parish Councils would wish to know how the strategy Progresses.

Cllr. Duckworth gave an update on the Natural Nature and Tourism Sustainability Plan.

Swanage Railway now had a link with Wareham which would help to reduce car use in the Purbeck area.

Engagement with local landowners near to the River Frome to reduce silt etc getting into the River and Poole Harbour.

Cllr. Sims reported that he had attended the Networking Session organised by DAPTC With Dorset Council. The presentations made would be circulated when received from DAPTC.

Cllr. Bessant reported on the various meetings to discuss the Grounds Maintenance Contract

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

**Hayricks:** .

Repairs to the Play Equipment at the Hayricks had been received from Southern Playground Services as follows:

1.2m Nest Swing to replace existing	£1299.00
Carriage	£320.00
Fitting	£150.00
Supply and Fit new Zip Wire Trolley	£898.00
Supply New Zip Wire Cable 10mm Galvanised	£225.00

RESOLVED: That the above repairs be approved and carried out.

ACTION: THE CLERK/CLLR SIMS

Hegding: The hedging work had taken place on the 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

The Chair thanked Cllr. Duckworth for arranging this work and involving the local Youth who had supported the hedge planting.

**Allotments:** The allotment holders were now commencing work on their allotments.

**SANG – Bog Lane:** The area was now being used by local residents.

## **11 To consider Planning Applications received**

**22.216** The following application was considered:

2023/00263 Two storey side extension 82 Furzebrook Road, Stoborough No objection

2023/01405 Alteration to existing portal framed duo pitched agricultural barn and removal of adjoining smaller timber and concrete blockwork barn. Building of a new natural stone and timer boarded farm storage building with farm office above in space created by altering the existing barns. Marinao Slepe Farm, Corfe Castle Determination whether or not prior approval is needed for this proposal. NOTED

WP/20/00692?DCC Construction of an Energy Recovery Facility with ancillary buildings and works etc. with site access through Portland Post from Castletown DT5 1PP

To be determined by Dorset Council on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March. The Parish Council had submitted an objection to this application.

**12. 22.217 ARNE PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:** The meeting considered a proposal to carry out a review the Neighbourhood Plan.

**RESOLVED:** That the advice of the Neighbourhood Planning Team, Dorset Council be requested on this matter.

ACTION: THE CLERK

**13. 22.218 Representation on Outside Bodies:** The meeting considered current appointments to outside Bodies which required review. It was agreed that the list be updated by the Clerk and circulated again to the next meeting for further discussion.

ACTION: THE CLERK

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

**22.219 Hedgehog Highway Project:** The Clerk had circulated details of the Hedgehog Highways Project. Details about the project were available on the following link:

<https://hedgehogsrus.co.uk/hedgehog-highway-project>

Members felt that this may be more appropriate as a Project for the local school and that details be provided to them.

ACTION: The Clerk

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

**22.220 Disturbance to the Yoga Group:** The Stoborough Village Hall Secretary had written to ask that the Yoga Group using, the adjacent Room on Parish Council meeting nights, were not disturbed until after their session ended at 7pm. They concluded their session with a quiet period ending at 7pm

At the last meeting additional chairs had been required due to the large number of residents in attendance. To overcome this it was suggested and agreed that future meetings commence at 7.15pm.

ACTION: THE CLERK

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

22.221 No items raised.

**20. 22.201 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: Due to the absence through illness this item was deferred and a meeting would be re-convened to enable all Members to be present.

In the meantime the current Contractor would be asked to continue to mow the areas in the current Contract in April.

ACTION: THE CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.58pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 commencing at 7.15pm Stoborough Village Hall.