



**MINUTES OF THE ARNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2021 AT**  
**STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING 7PM**

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

**Chair:** Cllr S Cranshaw

**Clerk:** Mrs A Crocker

**Also Present:** 3 members of the public

**1. Public Participation Period**

Hugh Ricks raised the issue of the Arne Moors Project. At the start of the project, many residents realised that the main problem was going to be rainwater and storm water. The EA did a lot of work to dispel their concerns and produced a document which says Ridge will not flood. He understands that there are 2 different models being used – one to cover a large area of ground and has a volume of water that the area will cope with. There is a second model covering a smaller area of land and uses a forecast of half the volume of water of that of the larger one. The EA are apparently using the latter to prove that Ridge will not flood. However, if you use the larger model, there is a possibility that Ridge will flood. Dorset Council have now appointed an Officer to go through the scheme with the relevant agencies. He asked that the Parish Council take this up with the EA.

Anna Blakeway – the telephone kiosk in Furzebrook Road, near the entrance to Imerys has been refurbished. It is situated just inside the Church Knoll Parish boundary, but thanks are extended to Imerys for undertaking the work.

**2. Declaration of Interests**

21.82 Cllr Bessant declared an interest in planning application P/HOU/2021/02675. No other interests were declared at this stage and no requests for dispensation had been received.

**3. To receive apologies for absence**

21.83 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Ian Duckworth and John Ives, and Dorset Cllr Ryan Holloway.

**4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

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

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

21.85 No matters arising.

**6. Dorset Councillor’s Report**

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

Concern was expressed that there is no news regarding the development of the Wareham Middle School site.

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

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The following payments had been requested:

Glasdon	Dog poo bags	BACS044	48.90
Amazon	Storage boxes	BACS045	30.60
Zoom	28.09.21 to 27.10.21	BACS046	14.39
DC Pension Fund	Oct’ pension contributions	BACS047	155.41
A Crocker	Oct’ wages & expenses	BACS048	462.56
HMRC	October 21 PAYE	BACS049	106.80
Scott Estate	Allotment rent to 24.03.22	BACS050	60.00
Anvil	Grounds maintenance’ Aug & Sept	BACS051	1,240.87

Total amount requested from Precept for October £2,119.53

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

**ACTION: CLERK**

21.88 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.

**8. Parish Reports**

21.89 Councillors’ Reports on meetings attended

Cllr Bessant – Wareham Burial Board 23/9 – the precept will be set the same as the current year.

Cllr Church – Men’s Sheds – review of the Hayricks; they will look to raise the benches to make them easier to get up from. If this does not work, the Parish Council will look to replace the benches; PTAG 20/10 – there is a new Member in charge of Highways, Cllr Simon Gibson. Community Speed Watch – this may be an initiative for the Parish Council to pick up at a later date.

Cllr Sims – Zoom meeting with Robert Kenward regarding the website and undergoing some training.

21.90 Reports from other village committees

Stoborough Village Hall – Steve Widmer reported that there will be an AGM on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November at Stoborough Village Hall. The grant money for the Wi-Fi is awaited and should be in by the end of the month.

Stoborough Meadow Residents' Association – The minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> October had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. There will be an AGM on the 8<sup>th</sup> November.

Stoborough Primary School – The school has started educational outings again and is raising money for UNICEF and Afghan refugees.

21.91 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Hayricks – Cllr Sims reported that the sign for the gym equipment is now in place. Anvil have cut the hedge but have not done the shrub opposite No 19 without checking to see if it has a TPO on it. They will be back to tidy up the tractor marks when the area dries. Community planting of the shrubs will be taking place on the 13<sup>th</sup> November. The memorial bench has been quoted at £1,080 for recycled plastic. This will go around a Rowan tree. Anvil will be asked to quote for wildflower planting along the perimeter.

Allotments – Nothing to report.

SANG – Cllr Ward reported that the fence along the layby has broken alongside the access gate. This has been reported to Savills.

21.92 To receive an update on the Arne Moors Project

Nothing to report.

21.93 To receive an update on the Parish Council website

Nothing further to report.

**9. To consider Planning Applications received**

21.94 The following plans and tree work application have been received since the last meeting:

P/HOU/2021/003414 7 Gover Close, Ridge  
Proposed single storey extension

**No objection.**

6/2021/0349 Worgret Manor Farm  
Erect new agricultural building

**No objection.**

P/FUL/2021/0261 Knoll Farm, Soldiers Road  
Amend to commercial campsite for 56 days in any one calendar year for tents and caravans, erect timber constructed utilities block

There are no documents on the website so there is very little information available on which to comment. Cllr Bessant informed the meeting that, under 3 Barrow Farm (the original name of the site), 3 applications were submitted in the 1970s for an 80-caravan site. All were turned down. The current campsite has no waste collection service, and the campers are expected to take their litter home. However, it is being left along the roadside in the area. The access road is very narrow with no suitable passing places. The moment facilities are installed this is a step to an all-year-round caravan site. Cllr Bessant proposed that we object to this application, and this was unanimously agreed. The area is one of natural beauty and will be detrimentally affected by the proposal.

P/HOU/2021/02675 35 Furzebrook Road, Stoborough  
Erect orangery to rear elevation

This is a large plot and can easily take the proposal. No objections.

P/FUL/2021/03237 Roadside verges Hartland and Norden Middlebere Heath and New Mills Heath, Wareham  
Proposed rationalisation of ‘ad-hoc’ parking areas along the road to form designated of roadside verges and prevent damage to sensitive areas

This makes a lot of sense and has been a long time coming. No objections.

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

### 21.95 To review preparations for winter

All the bins have now been checked and filled.

### 21.96 To consider requesting a reduced speed limit on Hartland Moor following the installation of the cattle grids

The installation of the cattle grids is on-going. This is a very popular area with walkers, cyclists and horse riders. Both the speed limits and cattle grids will need signage. It is a single-track road and 30mph would be a more appropriate speed limit for vehicles to be able to negotiate some of the bends.

Cllr Cranshaw explained that any limit would be self-enforcing. A meeting with Highways has been requested but, to date, no response has been received. Cllr Cranshaw will email both Katie Black and Cllr Simon Gibson to arrange a meeting.

### 21.97 To set up a Hayricks Management Working Party to oversee the maintenance of equipment and planting and review arrangements for community planting on 12<sup>th</sup> November

This is primarily to agree the maintenance schedule for the equipment and general maintenance.

### 21.98 To reform the Planning Working Party

This will consist of Cllrs Bessant, Sims and Cranshaw together with the Clerk.

21.99 To consider a response to the Dorset Rights of Way Improvement Plan consultation 2022-23

Cllr Church has drafted a response which was passed to members at the start of the meeting. It was agreed that this should be submitted.

<b>ACTION: CLLR CHURCH</b>
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21.100 To consider any defects to be passed to the Lengthsman

- The SID needs to be moved

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

21.101 Nothing further to add.

**12. Additional items considered urgent by the Chairman**

21.102 Cllr Church raised the issue of the gullies being cleared by Highways, but they are not doing the drains. A request has been made for them to be cleared.

Cllr Ward reported that the Stoborough Green land is up for sale and requested that the Parish Council obtain TPOs for the oak trees on the site.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Members are reminded to pass any items for inclusion on the November agenda to the Clerk by the 10<sup>th</sup> November.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:10pm.