



MINUTES OF THE ARNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT
STOBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING 7PM

Present: Cllrs I Church, A Patrick, J Ives

Chair: Cllr S Cranshaw

Clerk: Mrs A Crocker

Also Present: 4 members of the public, Ian Alexander (Natural England), Dorset Cllr Beryl Ezzard

1. Public Participation Period

Wareham bypass – A resident asked if there was anything that could be done to lower the speed limit. Pedestrians do not feel safe crossing at the roundabout by the Blue Pool. It was suggested that any concerns should be put to Dorset Highways with a copy to the Ward Councillors. It was noted that the bypass was put in place in order for vehicles to avoid the village roads and it is split at reasonable points to allow safe crossing. It may be possible to ask the Police to monitor the stretch leading up to the roundabout where it is felt vehicles are travelling in excess of the speed limit.

Ian Alexander reported that the work on the cattle grids on Hartland Moor would be commencing and he would forward a map of the location of the grids. The fencing exercise will happen over the coming winter, and Natural England are in discussion with the owners of the livestock regarding what and how many can be put on the land. The next step will be to discuss the speed limit within the grazing unit. Once the grids are installed, it would be an appropriate time to start talking about the speed limit. He suggested that the Parish Council might like to start thinking about speed limits within the area as any amendments to the current limit will need to be led by the Parish Council.

2. Declaration of Interests

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

3. To receive apologies for absence

21.66 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Vivienne Ward, Malcolm Sims, Ian Duckworth and Richard Bessant, and Dorset Cllr Ryan Holloway.

4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th August 2021

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

5. Matters arising – for report only

21.68 SANG sign – Mr Pettit-Mills had confirmed that the Estate would be looking to install a new sign which would include the logos of Dorset Council and the Police. This may discourage the removal or damaging of the sign in the future. He is currently liaising with Dorset Council regarding this.

Ragwort – Whilst it is the responsibility of farmers to clear ragwort, it is not compulsory for all landowners to do so. Ragwort is only harmful to livestock if it is cut, dried and baled. In normal circumstances, livestock do not eat it and it is a natural resource for flies and other insects.

6. Dorset Councillor’s Report

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

Regarding the speed limit over Hartland Moor, Cllr Ezzard felt she would like to see a 40mph limit, as in the New Forest.

Cllr Church noted that signs highlighting the fact that there are animals roaming the area should be put in place as soon as possible.

19.24 Cllr Ezzard left the meeting.

7. To confirm the payment of accounts

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The following payments had been requested:

Zoom	28.08.21 to 27.09.21	BACS035	14.39
DC Pension Fund	Sept’ pension contributions	BACS036	155.41
Amazon	Ink cartridges	BACS037	22.34
HRMC	September PAYE	BACS038	106.80
A Crocker	Sept’ wages & expenses	BACS039	443.38
Southern Play	Repair bike ramps, matting	BACS040	2717.93
Southern Play	Final payment re play equip	BACS041	8584.97
Southern Play	Bench & bin fitting	BACS042	486.00
MD Weller	Standin for August meeting	BACS043	78.80

Total amount requested from Precept for September £12,610.02

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

ACTION: CLERK

21.71 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

21.72 Councillors' Reports on meetings attended

No meetings had been attended.

21.73 Reports from other village committees

Stoborough Village Hall – Steve Wedmar reported that the Hall will have WiFi from October.

There were no other reports available.

21.74 Reports relating to the Hayricks, Allotments and SANG

Hayricks – Cllr Cranshaw reported that Cllr Duckworth has been in touch with the Chair of Trees for Dorset. They are able to support 50% of the cost of the planned planting. We already have 2 days allocated for planting – they are Friday 12th November for the school involvement and Saturday 13th November for community involvement. A 10am start is proposed with a break for lunch. It is proposed that no large trees will be planted in order to maintain the present proportion within the Hayricks. No oak, hornbeam or field maple will be planted.

Anvil will deal with the grass encroaching on the footpath in the Hayricks. At the end of the season, they will be trimming the boundary hedgerow with the aid of a tractor.

The Parish Council must consider the rewilding experiment from the last year, especially with regard to the village green which should retain its amenity value. Cllr Cranshaw suggested a sub-committee is set up to look at the plans for the Winter and the costs and choices for the Spring.

Benches – to be raised and repainted, possibly with the assistance of the Men's Shed who will also undertake some painting in the play area.

Allotments – All the allotments are in full use and the contracts for the coming year are due to be issued shortly.

SANG – Nothing further to add.

21.75 To receive an update on the Parish Council website

Nothing to report.

21.76 To receive an update on the Arne Moors Project

Nothing to report.

9. To consider Planning Applications received

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

P/HOU/2021/02737 The Larches, Puddletown Road

Erect 2 storey side extension & single storey rear extension with internal alterations

No objection – many of the residents along this stretch of road have all undertaken similar alterations over the years. The plot is large and can easily accommodate the proposal.

6/2021/0290 Land associated to No 1 Corfe Road
Change of use to enable use of part of field as training area for dog agility

No objection - concern raised regarding site access and parking. In addition, site is part of the water meadow and prone to flooding.

6/2021/0311 RSPB Arne Nature Reserve, The Work Centre
Create new entrance pathway

No objection

6/2021/010 1 Thatch Cottage, Grange Road
Erect single storey rear extension

No objection

P/HOU/2021/02671 Adele, Arne Road, Ridge
Front & rear extension plus raise ridge to allow formation of accommodation in roof space

No objection. The plots are very extensive, and the neighbour has undertaken similar alterations. Concern was expressed that the original building contains asbestos and this needs to be removed with the appropriate precautions if the original building is likely to be disturbed.

6/2021/0341 Holly Bank, Sunnyside, Ridge
Alterations & additions to form bedroom

No objection

The following applications have been received after the agenda was set;

6/2021/0238 Stockswood, Grange Road
Variation of Conditions 2 & 3 of planning permission 6/2001/01688 to convert garage to a pool & garden room

No objection

SCO/2021/0019 Doreys Ball Clay Work, West Creech
Scoping Opinion request for a south westerly extension to Doreys South Pit to develop land at Bridewells

Members agreed that comment should be made in support of Professor R Kenward's statement and the need to engage hydrologists from the British Geological Survey in order to gain the most complete view of the longterm impact of the proposal.

10. Correspondence and items for action and resolution

21.78 To consider a response to the Climate & Ecology Bill

A copy of the email received regarding the CEE Bill had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Letters have previously been sent to the MP and to the Head of Council and members agreed that they continue to support the Bill in principle although more information is required from Central Government.

21.79 To consider the adoption of the new model Code of Conduct

This had originally been issued to all members in July and many have now undertaken the training offered by DAPTC. Cllr Cranshaw proposed that the Code of Conduct is adopted. This was seconded by Cllr Patrick and agreed unanimously.

21.80 To consider any defects to be passed to the Lengthsman

- Nutcrack Lane – road signs are covered and the hedges need cutting back. Highways will be contacted.

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

21.81 Nothing further to add.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 21st October. Members are reminded to pass any items for inclusion on the October agenda to the Clerk by the 10th October.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:45pm.