

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN HAZELBURY BRYAN
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2015 AT 8.00 PM**

Present: Councillors Steve Murcer (SM) – Chairman; David Maughan (DM); Alun Read (AR); Ken Huggins (KH); Emma Grayson (EG), Tricia Walton (TW) and Martin Richards (MR)

Members of the public – 5

Minutes: Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk

022/15 - Apologies: Received from Cllr P Batstone

023/15 - Declarations of interest: SM declared a personal and possible pecuniary interest in the matter covered in minute 032/15/c

024/15 – Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 6th January 2015: The minutes of this meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman

025/15 – Matters arising from these minutes: All matters are covered in the agenda

026/15 – Public open session: Comments were made as follows: a) the decayed oak tree in Coney Lane mentioned in minute 017/15 could be considered to be of value to invertebrates etc as it rots away – the Clerk has referred the tree to DCC Rangers who will use their expert judgement as how to proceed b) the approval of the outline planning application for the Church Room seems to have placed an obligation on Cllr Batstone to mediate on a design acceptable to the PCC and the parish council – the clerk will remind her if necessary c) could the hill down from Woolland be added to the gritting route, as has happened in previous years – the Clerk will ask DCC Highways d) the sign erected by the School has been on the recreation ground for some time – should it come down? DM said ideally it would remain in place for another month or so; he will also check the safety of the fixings

027/15 – Finance

a) to approve accounts for payment: The following payments were approved:

Cheque	Payee	Service	Net	VAT	Total
866	Parish Mag Printer	Jan Bytes dog	43.00		43.00
867	IK Services M	bins	82.40		82.40
868	Wilson	Feb pay	320.90		320.90
869	G Belsham	Cemetery maintenance 2014	450.00		450.00

028/15 – Ideas Please project: The successful contractor (JB Gardens) has been instructed. The allocated budget might allow for new signs to be provided. The Clerk had spoken to the youth club about a potential award scheme, but there are major difficulties over risk assessments, child safeguarding etc and the club does not have the resources to make a scheme viable. It was agreed the Clerk would ask the club if it had a specific project that the funds could be granted toward.

029/15 – Elections 2015 – report from Clerk: The Clerk reported that information is beginning to come out from NDDC. The Clerk will co-ordinate the completion of the nomination forms for candidates. These have to be returned to NDDC in a narrow time period over Easter. There will be the usual seven vacancies and at present six existing councillors are likely to seek re-election. After the election the Clerk will try and ensure a consistent approach to the completion of Register of Members Interest forms.

030/15 – Hedges, footpaths and grass cutting etc, including the Antelope/Causeway path: Despite reminders nothing has been heard from Hall and Woodhouse. It was agreed a formal letter rather

than e mail should be sent asking for a speedy positive response. The Clerk has confirmed the DCC funding on offer will carry forward to the next budget year if necessary.

031/15 – Web site – update and advertising: After a discussion it was decided that allowing adverts on the web site at no cost for businesses within the parish should be regarded as an appropriate use of the community web site. If there was demand from businesses outside the parish then charges should be levied at a rate to be determined. The Clerk will organise the format etc with the web host and then publicise the facility.

032/15 – Planning

a) to consider planning applications received:

2/2015/0019/PMBPA – Dutch Barn, West Lane – change of use and conversion of agricultural building to form one dwelling, class C3 – resolved, no objections

2/2015/0043/CATREE – Old Forge Cottage, Partway to Churchfoot Lane, Wonston – reduce height of silver birch by 10-15 feet – resolved, no objections

b) to note decisions made by North Dorset District Council:

2/2014/1118 - Mustonfields and 2/2014/1533 – Old Forge Cottage - both approved

c) Pidney Hill – proposed development: Savills are holding a public consultation on their client's proposals in the village hall on 10th February. They have also asked if a meeting could be held with the parish council to discuss matters. It was agreed they should be invited to the next parish council meeting. The clerk will organise and emphasise that the parish council is happy to listen to proposals but cannot make any decisions on how it will comment until a formal application is presented for consideration. It is acknowledged that increased traffic flows might be an issue.

A comment was made by a member of the public that there seemed no overall strategy for development in the village. SM noted that the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan would achieve this but both volunteers and money would be needed to create a robust Plan that would stand up to formal examination and approval. This will be an agenda item for the next parish council meeting.

033/15 – Recreation field – (DM/EG): DM had nothing to report.

034/15 – Village hall – report: (TW): 80 new chairs have been purchased. The Clerk will ask for a copy of the purchase invoice as part of the Ideas Please grant documentation. The film Captain Philips is being screened on 7th February.

035/15 – DCC/NDDC Cllr Batstone: Nothing further to report in her absence

036/15 - Public open session: TW reported that a residence in Drum Lane had been burgled – this is a rare event but people should perhaps be more alert than usual. The mastiff dog that has created previous problems apparently badly bit a member of the public on Bulbarrow Hill recently. The Clerk will ask the dog warden for any up to date information. The RSPCA has been advised that the owner appears to be away with the dog, but the remaining livestock at the Drum Lane property appear not to have feed.

037/15 – Correspondence to note: Nothing of note.

038/15 – Other matters to note: The Clerk reported on discussions with the Royal Mail about procedures for relocating a post box if this is requested by the community. He will make enquiries about the procedure and possible costs of having an extra box installed, probably near the village shop. It was agreed that SM, DM and possibly AR and MR will attend the meeting of Stalbridge Town Council on Wednesday 4th March to see how other council operate. The Clerk will make the arrangements.

039/15 – Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be held at Tuesday 3rd March 2015

040/15 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss SM closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.