

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN HAZELBURY BRYAN VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2017 AT 8.00 PM**

Present: Councillors Steve Murcer (SM), David Maughan (DM), Martin Richards (MR), Alun Read (AR) and Ken Huggins (KH); DCC/NDDC Cllr Pauline Batstone (PB)

Members of the public – 5

Minutes: Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk

198/17 – Apologies: Received from Cllrs Grayson and Dimmock

199/17 - Declarations of interest: None

200/17 – Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October 2017: The minutes of this meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman

201/17 – Matters arising from these minutes: Included in the agenda

202/17 – Public open session: One attendee thought that HGV traffic might have increased with Hunts now operating the old Judd’s site

203/17 - Finance a) approve accounts for payment: The following payments were approved:

| Cheque | Payee | Service | Net | VAT | Total |
|--------------|---------------|----------------------|---------|--------|----------------|
| 1064 | Align M | pavilion project | 320.00 | 64.00 | 384.00 |
| 1065 | Wilson | november pay | 327.26 | | 327.26 |
| 1066 | SSE M | pavilion electricity | 59.52 | 2.97 | 62.49 |
| 1067 | Wilson RB | expenses | 182.90 | 15.97 | 198.87 |
| 1068 | Snook | pavilion | 887.73 | 177.55 | 1065.28 |
| 1069 | Woodrow Feeds | pavilion sundries | 34.29 | 6.86 | 41.15 |
| 1070 | Came & Co | insurance | 2465.97 | | 2465.97 |
| SO | Steve Shaw | Web host | 15.00 | | 15.00 |
| SO | IK Services | Dog bins | 110.00 | | 110.00 |
| DD | NDDC | Cemetery rates | 17.00 | | 17.00 |
| Total | | | | | 4687.02 |

b) to approve insurance renewal arrangements: the clerk had received 3 quotes from brokers, Came & Co. Levels of cover for all 3 quotes were similar and acceptable and it was agreed to take the lowest quote underwritten by AXA. The annual premium is reduced by 5% for agreeing a 3 year and it was agreed this would be sensible to accept. Cheque 1070 was approved for £2,465.97 which includes the village hall element which will be refunded by the village hall management committee.

c) to agree the bank reconciliation and financial summary as at 30th September 2017: this had been circulated and was approved without demur

d) to agree the budget and precept for 2018/19: MW had circulated a draft budget and precept in advance of the meeting. After discussion the budget was agreed and the precept will rise by 5% to £18,375 which gives a small surplus of £207. This includes an allowance to remove the store of winter grit held in the barn in Back Lane if DCC can’t be persuaded to move it themselves.

204/17 – Planning – i) to consider planning applications received: 2/2017/1486/FUL – Hazeldene Farm, Back Lane, Kingston, DT10 2DT – install 8 pole mounted menage lights to replace existing - no objections ii) update on outstanding applications: DM had heard the application for the barn in Silly Hill had been approved by NDDC’s Planning Committee. MW had not been advised, PB will ask officers if parishes objecting to applications are advised of the outcome as a matter of routine (Subsequently PB has been told “no” is the answer).

205/17 - Footpath and highways matters – update: MW reported that the AONB team had still not paid out its £400 contribution to fingerpost repairs – PB will chase

206/17 – The Keep: KH has spoken with Nigel Spring. He has done some brush cutting and hopes to be able to source some more horses next year to help with the grazing. MW will try and get the Keep topped, or at least the grass on the border margins.

207/17 - Recreation Field– a) pavilion update to include progress on building: Align's final bill has been received, as well as the final payment (excluding retentions) for Snooks. Snagging remains outstanding and SM will talk with Snooks to see how best to move things forward. AR reported that the new chairs have arrived with tables due any day. Decorating is going well and topsoil has been laid to make a gentle slope up to the front of the pavilion.

ii) report and update from Chairman on other matters: Fully fitted-out, the pavilion will be a valuable community asset. It is hoped, and budgeted, that hire income will equal running costs. Assuming the tables do arrive then the next parish council meeting will be held in the pavilion with an 8.15 pm start (to allow those attending the Neighbourhood Plan Committee to make the trip from the village hall).

208/17 - Neighbourhood Plan - i) draft minutes of Neighbourhood Plan Committee of 3rd October 2017 to be noted: The minutes were noted **ii) update on progress:** IS reported that 240 questionnaires had been returned following the two public consultation events. Work is underway to allocate specific sites that can meet the housing need and other aspirations of the community. It looks like about 25-30 homes will be required in addition to the approved development at Handley Cross. MW reported on a significant meeting of NDDC's Planning Committee held earlier this day. An application for development in contravention of Policies in the Shillingstone Neighbourhood Plan had been rejected unanimously by councillors giving a ringing endorsement and support to the primacy of Neighbourhood Plan policies.

209/17 – Village hall – report: A community lunch-club is getting underway from 26th January 2018. This has involved a big commitment from volunteers in training, risk assessments etc – hopefully it will be a success.

210/17 – DCC/NDDC Cllr Batstone: PB reported that the Secretary of State is "minded" to approve the new unitary authorities in Dorset. A further consultation will be held with responses needed by 8th January 2018. Rationalisation of council tax costs will need to be phased in as there are big variations between authorities. DCC is working hard on economic growth policies.

211/17 - Public open session: MR noted potholes on Back Lane, in the direction of Sturminster. Two out of three had been repaired, he will report the other, largest one, again.

212/17 – Correspondence to note: MW reported that a new bench has been offered for the cemetery.

213/17 – Other matters: DM noted that with the hedges being cut it was noticeable how much litter had accumulated – would people please pick up what they see.

214/17 – Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th December 2017.

215/17 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss SM closed the meeting at 9.25 pm