

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY  
8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019 AT 8.00 PM**

**Present:** Councillors Steve Murcer (SM), David Maughan (DM), Val Rubie (VR), Ken Huggins (KH), Sarah Meeks (SaM) and Phil Dimmock (PD); DCC/NDCC Cllr Pauline Batstone (PB); Members of the public – 6

**Minutes:** Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk

**020/19 - Apologies:** Martin Richards (MR)

**021/19 - Declarations of interest:** SaM declared a personal interest in planning applications 2/2018/0266 and 2/2019/0040

**022/19 – Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019:** The minutes of the meetings were approved and signed by the Chairman

**023/19 – Matters arising from these minutes:** SaM has been in contact with the British Horse Society. They hope to contact the DCC Rangers to initiate a plan to ensure the 5 bridleways in the parish are open and usable by riders, walkers and others. SaM reported that the science centre, her suggestion as a possible beneficiary from the village trust fund, had gone into liquidation. MW is still to update the locator index. DM reported that the Police had been due to visit the school to talk to children and parents about road safety, especially parking, but the visit had been thwarted by the snow. SaM asked that the next edition of Bytes urged walkers, cyclists and riders on the narrow lanes to wear hi-viz clothing, especially in poor light conditions.

**024/19 – Public open session:** No comments.

**025/19 - Finance**

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

Cheque	Payee	Service	Net	VAT	Total
1175	SSE	Pavilion electric	62.62	3.13	65.75
1176	A Read	Table tennis kit	47.46		47.46
1177	Parish mag printers	N Plan referendum copies	65.00		65.00
	M				
1178	Wilson	Feb pay	250.34		250.34
	M				
1179	Wilson	Expenses	60.37	2.58	62.95
SO	IK Services	Dog bin emptying	110.00		110.00
			Total		601.50

**b) to consider and agree a discretionary payment to the parish clerk in respect of almost three years work on the Neighbourhood Plan:** MW as clerk had spent about 500 hours working on the Plan over the last 3 or so years, with no additional recompense. The proposal is to provide a post-tax payment, discretionary payment of £1,000. This was agreed. Given the personal financial details involved in making the payment, the mechanics are covered in a confidential appendix to these minutes.

**c) to agree to continue with the appointment of Rosie Darkin-Miller as internal auditor for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019:** It was agreed to re-appoint her for a further year

**026/19 – Planning**

**a) to consider planning applications received: i) 2/2018/1814/REM – erect 8 dwellings, form vehicular access and car parking, form public footpath on land south of the Beeches (reserved matters application to determine appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following the grant of outline permission:** The Parish council accepts that outline approval has been granted for this site. However, with the Neighbourhood Plan referendum set for 7<sup>th</sup> February then, assuming it is approved, the policies in the Plan will become part of the District’s development plan for Hazelbury Bryan. Applicants and their agents must now take account of the contents of the Plan. The parish council therefore agreed to object to the application based on non-conformity with Policies HB5(d) [renewable energy], HB7(a) [Partway Distinctive Character], HB16 [4 bedroom houses in an inappropriate setting], HB22 (Parking)[not permeable surface and too few spaces] and Appendix 3 (Design and Access Statements – Questions to Address) [architect and applicant appear not to have read the Appendix]. The question has also been raised of any contribution towards community infrastructure from an S 106 agreement **2/2018/0107/OUT) ii) 2/2019/0040/HOUSE – demolish existing sun room and extend at**

**ground floor level:** No objection. Application is in accord with policies HB5 and HB11 in our Neighbourhood Plan

**b) updates on outstanding applications, including recent approvals: i) 2/2017/2022/OUT – develop 35 new homes on land north of the Antelope** SM reported that following detailed representation from the parish council and other speakers from the community, NDDC Planning Committee had refused this application on a number of grounds, but primarily because the site was not in the Neighbourhood Plan and was contrary to many of the Policies in the Plan. **ii) 2/2018/0266/OUT – Orchard Farm, Silly Hill, Kingston – to agree a response to the Inspector hearing the applicants appeal against refusal by NDDC:** It was agreed to update the parish council's objection to this application to reflect the Neighbourhood Plan's status once there has been a "yes" vote in the referendum. A detailed report will be prepared and submitted by MW focussing on non-conformity with Policies HB11 (Kingston Distinctive Character), 13 (Settlement Boundaries and Important Gaps), 15 (Meeting Housing Needs – amount and location of new dwellings) and 16 (Meeting Housing Needs – dwelling types)

**c) to note any information received or action required in respect of the Neighbourhood Plan referendum:** The "referendum special" edition of Bryan Bytes has been delivered and all is in hand for the vote on 7<sup>th</sup> February. MW, DM and Ian Stevenson area attending the count and MW will e mail the result as soon as possible, probably about 11.30 pm. Although the Plan will need to be "made" at the next NDDC Council meeting, the Plan will have full legal force immediately after the referendum by virtue of the Neighbourhood Plan Act 2017, part 1, section 3, always assuming a "yes" vote.

**d) to formally disband the Neighbourhood Plan Committee after the referendum on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018:** With the Committee's magnificent work now complete it was agreed to disband the Committee with grateful thanks from the parish council and the community. The PC will host a celebration for the Committee after the referendum.

**027/19 – Local elections 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 – to note the timetable and arrangements:** NDDC has circulated details of the forthcoming parish council elections. Key dates are as follows:

Mid-February – nomination packs available from the Dorsetforyou website

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Notice of Election published

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – 4 pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – period for submission of nomination papers, by hand and appointment only to NDDC at South Walks House, Dorchester. MW can co-ordinate collection and delivery of forms if needed. Councillors will be elected for a 5 year term.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April – statement of persons nominated published

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Notice of Poll published

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – polling day

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May – count of votes

**028/19 - Footpath and highways matters – update: i) Antelope to Coney Lane footpath – update:** DCC ROW team had lost the confirmation e mail and business case sent to them after the last parish council meeting. Apologies received, they will press on with the work. **ii) speed indicator device (SID):** Delivery and training for MW due tomorrow, 6<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30, so the device should be operational by lunchtime.

**029/19 – Web site – update on progress:** MW has uploaded content and the site is now live – [www.HazelburyBryan.com](http://www.HazelburyBryan.com). It is very much "work in progress". The next edition of Bytes can focus on the new site and call for up to date information from clubs, societies and local businesses etc who wish to be listed at no cost. MW will see how people can best be diverted from the old site when searching.

**030/19 – The Keep - update:** Nothing to report at this stage, other than that Pig has apparently arrived. MW will check with Richard Bray.

**031/19 - Recreation Field :** The next Committee meeting is on 11<sup>th</sup> February. Little to report in advance other than the opening night of the youth club had a disappointingly low attendance – just one person.

**032/19 – Village trust fund:** MR was away so there was no update on progress.

**033/19 – Village hall – report:** DM said Allan Peters will be talking about his Royal Protection police duties on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

**034/19 – DCC/NDDC Cllr Batstone:** PB's report has been delayed but will be circulated. Key points to note include: special educational needs pressures are immense, budgets for Dorset Council are set, council tax will be harmonised across the old Districts, Central Government will not require a grant rebate, 80% of DC budget

goes on children, families and adult social care (excluding Education), the number of councillors will be much reduced and staff reductions, redundancies and re-gradings are underway.

**035/19 - Public open session:** It was confirmed that the planning application adjacent to Wheat Close has been withdrawn, but noted that it can always be re-submitted. Parking requirements for new developments were explained, as well as the Neighbourhood Plan aspiration for these to be enhanced. It seems that bridleways marked as such on the OS maps are not necessarily bridleways on the Definitive Map managed by DCC. MW will check with the Rangers to see if they have any current concerns over status. MW will forward the Community Highways Officers contact details to SM in connection with increasing the size of the lay-by at the school. SaM suggested some of the village trust fund could be used to buy land for a car park from a neighbouring farmer. DCC Highways were congratulated for their gritting and snow clearing last week – MW was asked to pass on thanks to Matt Pile at DCC Highways.

**036/19 – Correspondence to note:** Magna Housing, who are working across the County with Hall & Woodhouse, have asked if they could work with the parish council to facilitate the speedy delivery of social housing at the three larger sites earmarked for development or in the Neighbourhood Plan – Handley Cross, Martin Richards and Frank Martin depot. Councillors felt this was a matter between Magna and the site owners/developers.

**037/19 – Other matters:** None

**038/19 – Date of next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in the village hall. SM and DM are both away so KH will be in the chair.

**039/19 – Close of meeting:** With no further business to discuss SM closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.