

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8th March 2022 AT 7.15 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors Val Rubie (VR), Ken Huggins (KH), Liz Stockley (LS)), Martin Richards (MR) and Sarah Meeks (SaM); Dorset Council councillor Pauline Batstone (PB); Members of the public – 10; **Minutes:** Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk.

037/22 - Apologies: Received from Steve Murcer (SM) and Phil Dimmock (PD)

038/22 - Declarations of interest: None declared

039/22 – Adoption of the minutes of the annual meeting held on 8th February 2022: The minutes were approved as drafted.

040/22 – Matters arising from these minutes: MW advised that the SID seems to be working properly and has been moved to its Kingston location.

041/22 – Public open session: In response to a question, it was noted that the defibrillator light is not working properly and a new bulb is to be fitted.

042/22 – Finance i) to approve accounts for payment: The following payments were approved:

Cheque	Payee		Net	VAT	Total
SO	IK Services	Dog bin emptying	£126.50		£126.50
	M				
1375	Wilson	Mar pay and back pay	£413.62		£413.62
1376	HMRC	Paye Jan - Mar	£269.20		£269.20
1377	Parish mag printers	Climate newsletter	£106.00		£106.00
1378	J Bettle	Bin store hinge	£11.90	£2.38	£14.28
	M				
1380	Wilson	Expenses	£143.92	£19.20	£163.12

ii) to note new pay scales for the clerk, backdated to April 2021: The new pay scales, with an increase of £0.19 per hour were noted.

043/22 – Planning: a) to consider any applications received:) P/FUL/2021/01018 – North Dairy Farm, Pulham, DT2 7EA – install ground-monitored solar panel photovoltaic solar arrays, sub-station, inverter stations, transformer stations, security fencing, gates and CCTV; form vehicular access, internal access track, landscaping and other ancillary infrastructure: This application has been re-submitted with more landscaping mitigation features. After a discussion, and being mindful of the current geo-political situation, it was agreed to re-iterate the parish council's comments made in May 2021, namely that it was agreed to support the proposed development provided that the scale and size could be reduced, perhaps by as much as 50%. The parish council would also expect full compliance with the bio-diversity measures, including planting and maintenance of hedgerows etc, for the life of the scheme and for Dorset Council to have the power and will to take effective enforcement action if necessary.

044/22 - Climate and ecological emergency: to note the minutes of the Hazelbury Climate Group on 1st March 2022 and any actions arising: The minutes of the meeting had been circulated and highlight the progress being made on the village hall project. Quotes for the pv panels and heat pumps have now been received and will be analysed and so a recommendation can come forward to the hall committee and the parish council. A visit to a similar hall near Exeter which has air source heat pumps is to be organised shortly. Arrangements are in hand for the open day on 26th March. The newsletters publicising the event have almost all been delivered and MW will also try and have it publicised in the next editions of the Blackmore Vale magazine, both paper and web versions

045/22 – Neighbourhood Plan: MW had circulated the notes of a meeting held with SM and the agent representing the owners of a site in the village that has been the subject of failed planning applications

in the past. Given the successful delivery of housing numbers allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan, it was accepted that the potential for any development of this site was virtually zero and it would not be looked at again unless the Plan was reviewed or had expired in 2031. There are differing views on the desirability or practicality of refreshing the NP at this time, before the new DC Local Plan is approved. MW has confirmed that Pimperne PC is reviewing its plan and has received nearly £10,000 in grant money from Locality. Our own position is that, having already had £17k in grant funding, only another £1k would be available for us to claim. Pimperne is under threat from the outward extension of Blandford.

046/22 - Footpath and highways matters, including i) flooding response from Dorset Highways: DC's Flood Management Team have been less than efficient with lost correspondence, private meetings and delays in getting back on the status and responsibility of the culvert. A site meeting took place on Friday 8th March, which KH attended as he just happened to be in the area at the time. DC did some dye tests and put a camera into some – but not all – of the culvert. It seems to be flowing ok. There was a discussion about possible works to the Keep to catch and retain water in times of flood and DC will outline some ideas for consideration. They will not recommend specific solutions in case they don't work and DC might be held liable. MR suggested some local groundwork companies would be pleased to offer advice. It was agreed to await a formal response from DC and then consider options. **ii) school parking:** Nothing to report. **iii) other related matters:** VR mentioned the sewage problems in the flood of 31st October. She had reported to Wessex Water but heard nothing.

047/22 – The Keep – update: Nothing significant to report.

048/22 - Recreation Field i) to note any relevant Committee minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 15th March had been circulated and were noted, including the new grass cutting arrangements. **ii) update on any other relevant matters:** MW reported on the receipt of an unsolicited donation of £400 from Mrs Reynolds, the daughter of Alec of Alec's Field fame. MW will write and thank

049/22 – Storm Eunice and village emergency planning: SM had raised this issue given recent adverse weather events. VR has identified a number of events being organised by the Dorset Community Resilience Forum and will be attending a day-long Zoom meeting on Friday 11th March. She will report back.

050/22 – Platinum Jubilee events update: SaM explained the establishment of a working group, with strong support from the Church and the Royal British Legion. More volunteers always welcome. The plan is as follows – Friday, local street parties; Saturday, watch events on TV and set up marquees etc on Alec's field; Sunday, village party with bring-your-own picnic, activities, evening music etc; Sunday, dismantle marquees and tidy up. Enquiries are being made with Dorset Community Transport to see if a collection/return route could be set-up for the less able. The Police have been advised and will use their "intelligence sources" to monitor any homes seen as at risk given most people will be at the village event. Sam has asked if she can have access to the parish councils Zoom log-on details for possible meetings. SM to share please.

051/22 – Bryan Bytes: to consider topics for the next edition: The next edition is planned for early April. Topics to be covered include the plans for the de-carbonisation of the village hall, the climate open day, Jubilee plans, flooding, the status of the Neighbourhood Plan and upcoming village hall events, if space permits.

052/22 – Village hall report: Film nights are back. The hall committee are still concerned over the surface of the land adjacent to the hall's car park. MW has received confirmation from our insurers that we are not liable for accidents on land we don't own, and even if a claim succeeded against the parish council, then we would be covered by our insurance. There was support for an "uneven ground" sign to be fixed somewhere, but MW argued against the parish council putting a sign on

land it doesn't own. He will contact the agent acting for the owning family when the Neighbourhood Plan's "Call For Sites" was undertaken to see if they would pass on to the owners a letter asking for action.

053/22 – Report from Dorset Council Cllr Batstone: Nothing to report in relation to Hazelbury

054/22 - Public open session: Details of listed properties and responsibilities of owners are on the Dorset Council web site. The broken mirror by the junction at the bottom of Silly Hill was noted but it is up to the landowner to replace if they so wish,

055/22 – Correspondence to note: None

056/22 – Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th April 2022 at 7.15pm in the village hall

057/22 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.