

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2022 AT 7.15 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors Steve Murcer (SM), Liz Stockley (LS), Val Rubie (VR), Sarah Meeks (SVM); Martin Richards (MR), Phil Dimmock (PD) and Ken Huggins (KH); Dorset Council councillor Pauline Batstone (PB); Members of the public – 6; **Minutes:** Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk.

178/22 - Apologies: None

179/22 - Declarations of interest: None

180/22 – Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2022: The minutes were approved as drafted.

181/22 – Matters arising from these minutes: All covered in the agenda

182/22 – Public open session: None

183/22 – Finance: i) to approve accounts for payment: The following payments were approved:

Cheque	Payee		Net	VAT	Total
SO	IK				
	Services	Dog bin emptying	£136.50		£136.50
DD	Dorset Council	Cemetery rates	£25.00		£25.00
1417	A J Gallagher	Insurance	£2,906.15		£2,906.14
	M				
1418	Wilson	Oct pay	£344.95		£344.95
	M				
1419	Wilson	Expenses	£157.95	£11.37	£169.32
	K				
1420	Huggins	Expenses	£21.50		£21.50
1421	V Rubie	Expenses	£32.32	£1.50	£33.82
1422	HB village hall	Hire	£32.00		£32.00
		Total			£3,669.23

ii) to approve the bank reconciliation and financial summary as at 30th September 2022: This had been circulated in advance and was approved and signed by the Chairman.

iii) insurance renewal: The insurance cover renews on 8th November 2022 and the renewal premium was agreed as part of an on-going, long-term agreement.

184/22 – Planning: a) to consider any applications received: i) P/HOU/2022/06046 – Greenacres, Kingston Lane, DT10 2DZ – erect new conservatory: No objections, application supported.

185/22 - Climate and ecological emergency: i) to note the minutes of the Hazelbury Climate Group on 4th October 2022: The minutes had been circulated and were noted ii) **“Hazelbury Abuzz”:** This was held on 2nd October and was judged a success with about 40 people in attendance. The group are looking to follow-up on this and other new initiatives.

186/22 – Neighbourhood Plan: VR had circulated the review groups report and recommendations and MW had added his own comments. Ian Stevenson, as the main driver for the review, could not attend this meeting. With some confusion over the inclusion or otherwise of the Handley Cross development in the number of sites available for development, SM deferred further discussion. MW was asked to get the views of Dorset Council planners and Jo Witherden on the wisdom of trying to review the policy in the Plan on housing site allocations.

187/22 - Footpath and highways matters, including i) school parking: PB is still to follow up with the relevant officer at Dorset Council ii) **other matters:** i) an accident occurred by Little Cansirons in Pidney – PB will show the site to the new CHO on her visit (see minute 192/22 below) ii) SM is still to speak with Jestyn Coke re the Poor Lands path iii) the “slide” on the footpath from Wonston to the shop is getting worse as it gets wetter, and the unofficial detour through a hedge has been blocked off by the landowner – MW will refer to the Rangers iv) the hedges adjacent to the pavement on the main road at the bottom of wheat Close are overhanging and make it difficult for pedestrians to avoid having to walk into the road – MW will refer to the Rangers.

188/22 – The Keep – update: i) encroachment: MW had been about to write to Mr & Mrs Burroughs but SM then met her in the village. She said they had drafted a reply to our letter in August but had not sent it; she would nor do so. Nothing has been heard since and so a further letter has been sent stating the parish

council's view that they have encroached onto our land. In addition, they have not addressed the concerns and requirements of Dorset Council Flood Management team. If no response is forthcoming in the next two weeks it was agreed that MW should arrange for a solicitor's letter to be sent. Although there is no desire to enter into an expensive legal boundary dispute, the parish council has an obligation to protect the assets held in trust for the village. At the very least, the parish council needs to be able to refute any claim on the land in years to come because it did nothing now. **ii) management strategy:** KH and SM, with the help of Nigel Spring, have agreed a way forward, as described at the last parish council meeting. Brambles have been cut back. Other than planting more yellow rattle, little will now be done until the spring.

189/22 - Recreation Field i) to note any relevant Committee minutes: MW will be organising a meeting in October.

190/22 – Village resilience planning: SM has a meeting planned shortly. VR has spoken to the Blandford food-bank who would welcome the donation of another sack of potatoes.

191/22 – Village hall - report including i) grant funding: The Lottery has declined our application, citing a lack of demonstrable public support. MW was asked to re-work a revised application, with more data if possible. Nothing has been heard yet from Dorset Council regarding the CIF grant application. **ii) discussions on a financial contribution from the hall towards the capital cost of the decarbonisation project:** Nothing additional to report at this time. MW has still to progress the VAT implications. **iii) wi-fi:** There seems to be little or no appetite to move forward with this.

192/22 – Report from Dorset Council Cllr Batstone: PB is taking the new Community Highways Office, Amanda Penfold, round the village. She will show her the lack of 30 mph repeater signs along the Causeway'

193/22 - Public open session: No comments

194/22 – Correspondence to note: i) On behalf of the Royal British Legion, James Porter has suggested two oak trees – one to commemorate and celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth II and the other to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. A suitable site on the Keep needs to be found and agreed. Appropriate plaques would be fitted. If a site can be found, it was agreed to share the cost. **ii)** the Remembrance Day parade will be held as usual on Sunday 13th November. SM will lay the PC's wreath. **iii)** MW has been advised by DAPTC that the digital Register of Members Interests does not have details for MR, KN and VR. He will arrange a new link for these to be completed. MW and the respective councillors believe these forms were completed many months ago, but seem somehow to be missing in action.

195/22 – Date of next meeting: This will be on Tuesday 8th November at 7.15pm in the village hall

196/22 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.