

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HAZELBURY BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY
2nd APRIL 2019 AT 8.00 PM**

Present: Councillors Steve Murcer (SM), David Maughan (DM), Ken Huggins (KH), Val Rubie (VR), Martin Richards (MR) and Phil Dimmock (PD); DCC/NDDC Cllr Pauline Batstone (PB); Members of the public – 5

Minutes: Malcolm Wilson (MW) – parish clerk

058/19 - Apologies: Received from Sarah Meeks (SaM)

059/19 - Declarations of interest: None

060/19 – Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 5th March 2019: The minutes of the meetings were approved and signed by the Chairman

061/19 – Matters arising from these minutes: These are covered in the agenda items.

062/19 – Public open session: A single comment on the village web site was reported saying the SID was a waste of money, as it didn't stop someone going by at 45 mph. The clear strategy of the parish council has been to encourage speed limit observance rather than seek to punish offenders. Many supporting comments have been received by councillors.

SaM had been asked by the proprietors of the Red Barn shop if a dog waste bin could be provided. Their general rubbish bin is being used by the public for waste bags when they come off the fields. In dealing with other recent requests for further bins the parish council's response has been to ask the requestor to purchase the bin and the parish council would pay for emptying. In this case it was decided to make an exception due to the need for impeccable hygiene in the food environment and the parish council agreed to buy the bin. MW will order and install and arrange for the bin to be emptied. SM will tell Tara at the shop.

063/19 - Finance

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

Cheque	Payee	Service	Net	VAT	Total
1186	GeoXphere	Mapping licence	60.00	12.00	72.00
1187	JB Gardens	Allotment and Pidney hedges	755.00	151.00	906.00
1188	JB Gardens	Cemetery hedge cut	125.00	25.00	150.00
1189	S Goacher	Payroll admin	123.91		123.91
1190	SSE	Pavilion electricity	54.69	2.73	57.42
	M				
1191	Wilson	March pay	591.93		591.93
	M				
1192	Wilson	Expenses	62.56	5.16	67.72
SO	IK Services	Dog bin emptying	116.50		116.50
DD	Dorset Council	Cemetery rates	24.15		24.15
		Total			2109.63

b) to note arrangements for year-end audit: MW is meeting the internal auditor on 17th April

c) to agree the bank reconciliation and year-end review as at 31st March 2019: This had been circulated to councillors in advance and the reconciliation was approved and signed

d) to note the revised National Salary Scales for parish clerks: Details of new arrangements had been provided by the payroll administrator and circulated to councillors. SM will arrange a meeting with the MW for an appraisal and to consider hours, pay scale position etc.

064/19 – Planning:

a) to consider planning applications received: None received

b) updates on outstanding applications, including recent approvals: Nothing to report

065/19 – Local elections 2nd May 2019 – to note the timetable and arrangements: Nomination forms have been submitted by all existing councillors. MW will be advised on 4th/5th April whether others have been nominated which would mean an election..

066/19 - Footpath and highways matters – update: i) Antelope to Coney Lane footpath – update: This work is imminent according to the Rangers **ii) bridleways:** SaM has had another meeting with the Rangers. They are optimistic other funding pots might be available for a new bridge and gates. Drainage and the influence on adjoining land is a major issue and the impact is being explored. British Horse Society is likely to provide some funding. SaM will continue to monitor progress etc.

067/19 – The Keep - update: KH reported that the field is too small to be worthwhile for sheep grazing and ponies from Alners Gorse may be put on to graze later in the year. The plan is to take some hay off later in the year, but an area will need to be fenced off to avoid contamination from dog poo. Cowslips and buckthorn have been planted in the fenced off area (buckthorn is a great nectar plant for butterflies and bees). MR said a risk analysis of any electric fence or netting would be essential.

068/19 - Recreation Field : The minutes of the meeting of 11th March 2019 were noted and approved.

069/19 – Village trust fund: MR reported on the procedural difficulties of opening a charity bank account with two signatories. He and Emma Grayson, as designated replacement trustees, are to consider a different approach.

070/19 – Village hall – report: DM had nothing new to report.

071/19 – DCC/NDCC Cllr Batstone: PB reported her work has all been focussed on the winding down of DCC and NDCC into the new Dorset Council. All seems to be going well.

072/19 - Public open session: A question was asked about when the new Vodafone mast would be turned on? VR suggested Vodafone might be waiting until they have a number of masts to commission in the same area to minimise costs. In response to a comment, MW confirmed he has a job description, a contract and a properly evaluated job grade on the National Scales.

073/19 – Correspondence to note: None

074/19 – Other matters: PD reported on a car scam involving “registered keepers” details. DM asked about maintenance of the small piece of land opposite the cemetery. PD asked the parish council to plant trees here a couple of years ago, and whilst he apparently cuts around them a couple of times each summer DM noted they were overgrown with brambles etc. and something ought to be done now. PD suggested JB Gardens might do it when they cut the cemetery grass. MW will arrange

075/19 – Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and it will be held on Tuesday 7th May 2019 in the village hall, immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting which starts at 8pm.

076/19 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss SM closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.