

# WINFRITH NEWBURGH & EAST KNIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Village Hall Starting at 7pm

Minutes

## **Present**

Councillors: Brenda Mustoe (Chairperson), John Yonwin (Vice Chair), Mark Morley and Charles Smith

Parishioners: Richard Barrett, Annabel Canaven, Julian Hill, Adrian Lowes, Wendy Morrison, Lucy Sisman and Jill Sonner

## **1. APOLOGIES**

394. Cllr AM, Clerk IA and Cllr LM

## **2. PARISHIONERS' OPEN FORUM**

395. General discussion about how to help Ukrainian refugees. Cllr Mustoe stated PC could start a group – wait for more information

Julian Hill asked about first-aid training and Cllr Yonwin said it would be scheduled soon.

## **3. Minutes – 7<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

396. These were accepted as a true and accurate record.

## **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

397. Cllr AM had a planning application – interest declared in his absence.

## **5. MATTERS ARISING**

398. Adrian Lowes has shown an interest in becoming a new councillor.

## **6. DORSET COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

399. Cllr Peter Wharf summary is in the Parish news.

400. Cllr Yonwin said he was concerned about an increase in Council spends against precept but he added there was also money available for various activities and he would keep us posted on these.

## **7. TREE PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

401. Winfrith Court Paddock, south of Willowborne Gardens, East Chaldon Road, Winfrith Newburgh, DT2 8JR 1 - Remove fallen limb. 2 - Remove lowest limb. 3 Hazel coppice - Remove lowest branches where overhanging fence. 4 - Remove 2x lower limbs where overhanging.

No objection

402. Cllr Morley asked if planning permission was needed to fell any tree and was told as we are in a conservation area this was always necessary if the trunk was over a certain diameter.

## **8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

403. **P/TRC/2021/05047** Modification of kitchen to enlarge overall footprint and replace roof with glazed portion.

No objections

## **9. TRAFFIC**

404. Cllr Mustoe reported no further news on 20mph limit.

405. Cllr Mustoe also reported that Speedwatch duties are ticking along - last week there was a report of one car doing 36mph and another doing 38mph.

Cllr Yonwin asked whether we might do earlier shifts as he witnessed a car doing 55mph at 6am recently. Cllr Mustoe said she would check what the operating hours are for Speedwatch duties

## **10. CHILDRENS' PLAY AREA & PAVILION**

406. Cllr Yonwin said there had been no meetings and no further repair work done on the pavilion to date. A surveyor agreed that the pavilion was tired and needed work. An electrician is coming to inspect what needs to be done. Cllr Morley said that he would be surprised if the pavilion passed an electrical inspection.

407. Dogs on the recreation ground - Dorset Council policy is that dogs walkers must follow a restrictive 5m perimeter around marked sports pitches with dogs on leads  
However, as sole occupiers of the field's lease we can waive this order and we have the right to determine what we want. Cllr Yonwin said dog walkers were usually very well behaved.

## **11. PLAYING FIELD LEASE**

408. Cllr Yonwin said there were ongoing discussions with Lulworth Estate — he was in discussion with a new person about setting up the lease and then everything would go to the respective solicitors.

## **12. PLATINUM JUBILEE**

409. Things are moving along, but there's concern centred around the marquee — the electrics for the marquee will cost about £3,000 (including VAT) — too much for the PC to guarantee. There's the possibility of holding the celebration at the Village Hall. Cllr Morley asked if it could be held in the open air, but it was thought there were too many problems associated with this. Cllr Smith asked if it could be self-funding, but Cllr Mustoe stated as many activities were weather dependent it could not be certain that enough money would be raised. Cllr Yonwin thought it was a big ask to raise so much money for the electrical work. This would all be discussed at a meeting at 6pm on the 16th March.

### **13. TENDER FOR MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR**

410. Maintenance takes a large proportion of the £15,000 precept - it's takes up a third of this money.

Quotes:

1. Crossways Garden Service £6,900 (1 year contract)
2. Wessex (who we use at the moment) £5,000
3. Dorset Council £3,538.80 (3 year fixed contract)

Cllr Yonwin (speaking for himself and Cllr Muir) were in favour of Wessex as their work has been good and they've done extras, but all agreed the price gap was too big to ignore so a decision was made to switch to the council for maintenance work.

### **14. New Email Address**

411. These are the new email addresses

[cllrbmustoe@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrbmustoe@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

[clerk@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

[cllrmorley@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrmorley@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

[cllramuir@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllramuir@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

[cllrcsmith@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrcsmith@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

[cllrjonwin@wnek-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrjonwin@wnek-pc.gov.uk)

Cllr Morely said it was good practice to clear old email frequently and Cllr Mustoe said the clerk was diligent about storing all documents on the cloud.

### **15. Annual Meeting Proposal**

412. This meeting needs to be scheduled between 1st March and 1st June. Cllr Mustoe explained that as each councilor has to write a report for the end of the year for this minuted meeting it was agreed to have a separate PC meeting in May to accommodate this and make it a social event for all parishioners to be able to hear what the PC does and what they would like to see in the future.

### **16. Response to Mr Bayfield's letter**

413. There have been ongoing issues with the Council planners concerning both the land once owned by Alan Beak and the glamping site.

Cllr Mustoe would formulate a letter to the planners expressing concern as to how this was dealt with

Principal points of concern:

Lack of thoroughness by the planning department in following through concerns

The planning permission application for a barn at Fives Farm was passed due to it not being dealt with in the necessary time frame despite planners being aware of the contentious issues with the site

Query raised as to how many units there would be at the Glamping site and period of time it could operate

Discontent with the delay in ascertaining ownership of Colehill Drove and the subsequent transfer of access rights

#### **17. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

414. **DAPTC.** Cllr MM Nothing else to report.

415. **Rights of Way.** Cllr CS Gateway at Gatemore Road was chained closed – reported and rectified.

Matter of diverted right of way from Claypits to Coombe Wood still not resolved

416. **Community Engagement.** Cllr MM Nothing else to report.

417. **Flood Plan.** Cllr BM The riverbank /riverside walk have path have been repaired.

418. **Village Hall** Cllr JY Next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> April

419. **Playing Field** Cllr JY already covered this.

420. **Playground Strategic Plan.** Awaiting new councilor to lead

421. **Trees and Hedgerows.** Cllr AM. Nothing to report.

422. **Village Maintenance** Cllr AM. Nothing to report.

423. **Stake Holder** Cllr BM. Delegated to Nick Johnson

#### **18. CLERK'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AND GENERAL REPORT.**

424. The electronic banking now up and running for Cllr BM and Clerk. Set up confirmation from Cllr JY to follow.

425. 1000718 Wessex Ground Services £419.46, 100729 £56 Village Hall, 100730 I Atkins Catch up pay and expenses for August 21 to March 22, 100731 £250 for the Sports committee

426. Due to problems registering the PC as an employer with HMRC the clerk will declare earnings in her own self-assessment.

#### **19. CORRESPONDENCE.**

427. None

#### **20. MATTERS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION.**

428. None

#### **21. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA.**

429. None

#### **22. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022

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