

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CORFE PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT CORFE VILLAGE HALL, TUESDAY 7th January 2019.

Present: Cllr J Harrison, Cllr B Lenthall, Cllr K Brown, Cllr C Brown,

Cllr D Bradbeer, Cllr W O'Brien. Six members of the public.

Chairman Cllr Harrison opened the meeting at 7pm, welcoming all.

3362: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Councillor Jackson.

3363: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllr Harrison: Almshouse Trust. Cllr C Brown: Village Hall Committee.

3364: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 6th November 2018.

The Minutes having been circulated and published and were duly approved and then signed as an accurate record.

3365: MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES.

- A358 CONSULTATION: Decision still to be made. Consultation forum to be held to inform and listen to Parish council and local business concerns. However the outcome of this is not expected to affect the decision and has come about due to business concerns. Decision to be announced in the spring.

- VILLAGE HALL: Works now complete car park area tarmac and resurfaced comment was made on how good the works had been and how the entrance to the hall and the parking space was now so much better and a big thank you went out to Councillor Lenthall for his efforts as well as all others involved.

- GOAL MOUTH: The issue of the resurfacing will shortly be addressed now that the weather has improved. **ACTION** - Councillor Harrison to contact Parson Landscapers for progress report.

- CLERK: vacancy still remains unfilled despite adverts and enquiries. Cllr C Brown is continuing to volunteer to take PC Minutes and arrange agenda for future meetings while other duties are being covered by fellow councillors and Mr Brian Goddard.

NOTICE BOARD - This will be placed back into its original position as requested by those members of the public present once labour is available to complete the work request. **ACTION** - Parish Council/Village Hall Committee to erect notice board when labour can be arranged.

3366: REPORTS OF COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.

Cllr Williams, TDBC and Cllr Thorne, SCC were not present and no reports were submitted for discussion.

3367: REPORTS OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

- Planning: Cllr K Brown (1) Application to replace the dwelling at Hurley Farm has had a minor amendment request to change a condition associated with the building. No objections have been raised regarding this so no objection from PC was agreed.
- Highways: Cllr Lenthall reported that all works mentioned had been completed and that nothing further was outstanding.
- Rights of Way: Cllr Bradbeer had nothing to report.
- Web site: Cllr Jackson Over the last few weeks, we have taken the running of the village web site in house.

There are two benefits: firstly, lower annual costs, and secondly, easier ongoing maintenance.

The Parish Council would, once again like to thank Andrew Moloney for his invaluable assistance.

- Village Hall: Cllr C Brown reported that a meeting scheduled for January had been postponed until February to accommodate absentees.

The village Christmas party was cancelled due to lack of interest this was discussed with members of the public present and would be raised as an agenda item at the next Village Hall meeting to establish the best way forward with future Christmas events.

100 club tickets were now available for purchase all are encouraged to participate and support this fund raising effort please see village hall representatives for details on how to participate and purchase tickets.

3368: FINANCES.

A spreadsheet kindly prepared by Brian Goddard and Councilor Harrison was shown to

councillors to highlight current costs compared to income for this financial year. The precept for 2019 now needs to be set. It is currently set at £3000. After discussion and to deal with future costs that will also include a local election in May without relying solely on fete monies to bridge the gaps both now and in future years it was agreed to raise this to £4700 for 2019 and to review further for 2020. The council wishes to apologise for this exceptional increase and hopes parishioners will understand the need to do this. Councillor Harrison is more than happy to explain in more detail the need for this increase to anyone if required?

CURRENT BALANCE = £10 466.23 (GATEWAY £3327.00 is included within this total)

CHEQUES TO BE CLEARED =

£ 10.49

£ 47.99

£100.00

VAT refund pending = Nothing expected.

S 106 funds still available to spend = £4231. NOTE : £500 agreed for goal mouth resurfacing.

3369: CORRESPONDENCE

- Cllr Harrison informed those present of a letter from the Charity of Allotments informing the PC of named Trustees who were willing to continue in this role. The PC had no objections and this has been accepted.

- A discussion took place regarding remaining funds of the S 106 that need to be used by 6th April 2021 following correspondence informing us of the early retirement of the lady dealing with this in local council. The new incumbent of her post will shortly be asked to approve a potential spend from this to replace the current goalposts and net in the Queens Acre with a

more robust and safety conscious piece of equipment.

ACTION - Councillor Harrison to enquire and confirm that this can be achieved and to seek costing's involved.

- Adult exercise equipment was also discussed as a possible purchase with a suggestion that we purchase two pieces of equipment that could be located within the current children's play area for adult use by health conscious parents or teenagers. The need to purchase quality equipment was emphasised as the PC would be responsible for maintaining and servicing it. The Village Hall committee will be informed and asked to comment.

ACTION - Councillor Harrison to seek costing's. Councillor Brown to discuss with Village Hall committee.

3370: ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- Cllr Harrison reported that the first fete meeting will be taking place on Wednesday 8th January at 6.30pm at Wellies and encouraged participation.
- Corfe farm resurfacing at Newton Court was discussed it appears to be going ahead in mid January following the appointment of a contractor to do the works.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th March 2019 at 7pm.