

**MINUTES OF THE 2019 AGM MEETING OF CORFE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT CORFE VILLAGE HALL, TUESDAY 7th May 2019.**

Present: Cllr J Harrison, Cllr B Lenthall, Cllr C Brown,  
Cllr D Bradbeer, Cllr J Jackson.  
Ten members of the public.

Chairman Cllr Harrison opened the meeting at 6.45pm, welcoming all.

**3380: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Councillor K Brown

**3381: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr Harrison: Almshouse Trust. Cllr C Brown: Village Hall Committee.

**3382: CHAIRMAN.** Cllr Harrison was re-elected as Chairman.

**3383: ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.** Cllr Lenthall was re-elected as Vice-Chairman.

**3383A - CASUAL VACANCY/CO-OPTION VOTE OF NEW COUNCILLORS.**

William Hosie introduced himself for Co-Option on to the Council and was voted in by those present. The legal process will now be applied to allow the Co-Option to proceed.

Jane Sanders introduced herself for Co-Option on to the Council and was voted in by those present. The legal process will now be applied to allow the Co-Option to proceed.

**3384: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12th March 2019.**

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

**3385: MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES -** Nothing was commented on.

**3386: CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FROM LIMITED ASSURANCE REVIEW.**

Cllr Harrison explained that unfortunately the wrong form had originally been circulated. This has now been rectified.

The Annual accounts have been circulated, as well as the Annual Governance & Accounting Statements.

Parish Councils with income and expenditure less than £25,000 can certify themselves from a limited assurance review. If agreed, this can be signed by the Chairman and Brian Goddard, our internal auditor.

**3387: APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2018/19.**

This was approved and signed off by the Chairman.

**3388: APPROVAL OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTING STATEMENT 2018/19.**

This was circulated at the meeting, being approved and then signed off by the Chairman.

All statements will be published on the village website and notice boards and a period of public inspection advertised.

**3389: FINANCES & ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2018/19.**

This was circulated at the meeting and then talked through further following questions relating to the gateway funds held and the bank accounts by Cllr J. Harrison.

**Payments made between meetings.**

£100.00 towards Hall decorators.

£123.22 Parsons Landscaping.

£355.00 to the Village Hall for replacing hall doors.

£703.99 for goal post and net to be refunded from the S106 fund.

£123.22 Parsons landscaping.

No payments to authorise.

Payments Due: £176.53 VAT refund and £586.66 refund from S106.

Bank Balance: £15,184.53

**3390: REPORTS OF COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.**

- Cllr Williams, TDBC (no longer in post following Council elections) and Cllr Thorne, SCC were not present due to excess workloads and no reports were submitted for discussion.

**3391: REPORTS OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.**

**PLANNING:** Cllr K. Brown words as read by Cllr C. Brown - During the year the PC considered 5 planning applications. None of these was contentious, and apart from one case of a small building being re-sited which was supported. No other comments were submitted to the Borough Council. The Highways England consultation on the dualing of the A358 between Ilminster and the M5 involved several meetings and the strong views of parishioners, as put forward at a public meeting, were sent to Highways England. A decision is expected in the near future.

Cllr K. Brown has now stepped down from his position and the Parish Council wished to thank him for his many years of service. His portfolio of planning position will now be passed to another Councillor in due course.

**RIGHTS OF WAYS:** Cllr D. Bradbeer - Reported that he had been busy clearing several paths within our area and that all was fine with no adverse comments received.

**HIGHWAYS:** Cllr B. Lenthall - Reported nothing new to report other than the continuing concern over the accident blackspot at the top of Corfe Hill. He recommended that we prioritise this serious issue in the coming year to draw focus on the dangers that currently remain due to poor road markings and maintenance issues at the crossroads.

**WEBSITE:** Cllr Jackson - Website Advertising - We have recently lost a couple of advertisers, although our revenue still covers the cost of running the website. We are currently looking for businesses to advertise on to the website.

A monthly newsletter continues to be sent out to the distribution list of 95 people. This provides a commentary on what has been going on in the village and compliments the bi-monthly Community Matters magazine.

Once again, the Parish Council would like to thank Andrew Moloney for his invaluable assistance on the social media front.

**VILLAGE HALL:** Judith Richards and Cllr. C. Brown - Reported that the Village Hall committee had recently had their AGM. Full details of what has been achieved during the year was commented on and the minutes of that meeting can now be viewed on the website and the village notice board.

3392: **CORRESPONDENCE** - Nothing to report.

3393: **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** -

- New bark for the play area is on order.

- Photo shots of Parish Councillors being displayed on the website was discussed and will be considered at the next meeting. This could assist with putting a face to a name especially so now that the new council has been formed.

- CLERK - The vacancy still remains unfilled. Cllr C Brown continuing to volunteer to take PC Minutes and arrange agenda with other duties being taken on by volunteer support. Cllr Harrison reported that SALC would contact every acting Clerk to see if anyone could take on the extra duty.

- NOTICEBOARD - The Village Hall notice board will be placed back in its original position when it returns from being refurbished.

**The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd July 2019 at 7pm.**