



Minutes of the West Lulworth annual parish meeting held on Wednesday 27 March 2019 at 7:30pm in West Lulworth village hall.

Councillors present: Mr J Davey (Chairman), Mr N Miller (Vice Chairman), Mr de Chazal, Mr G Dale,
Ms C Matthews

In attendance: County Councillor C Brooks
Miss E Blake (Clerk)
5 members of the public

Apologies

18/19/1

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor (Cllr) Jackson and County Councillor Quinn.

Talk by David Corben, RNLI Swanage

18/19/1

Mr David Corben gave a presentation, '35 Years A Local Lifeboat Man'.

Mr Corben has been a member of the Swanage Lifeboat for 49 years and was a crew member for 35 years. More than four thousand and six hundred crew members serve with the RNLI plus fundraisers and there is no financial support from the government.

Each year the ocean takes more than one hundred lives around the country and there is a nine in ten chance that rescuers will be volunteers from the RNLI.

A video from the One show on BBC showed the training that the RNLI crew have to go through.

The RNLI college in Dorset has a pool with wave and weather effects to simulate the conditions out at sea although there is no requirement for crew members to be able to swim!

There have been numerous improvements to the lifeboats including radar capacity, increased speed and cushioned seating.

Funds are needed to provide the best boats to enable the RNLI Crew to save lives. In 2017 £190 million was raised for the RNLI. 431 lives were saved and more than eight thousand people were rescued with an average of forty-five launches a day.

Lifeboats can be out for four to six hours searching for missing people and more recently crews are now involved with flood rescue teams.

A new boathouse was built to accommodate the new Shannon Class boat that arrived in 2016. The Swanage boathouse appeal raised over £480,000 and the unpaid crew members now total more than thirty.

Mr Corben has been awarded with several medals and is now the Duty Launching Authority (DLA) and a fundraiser for the Swanage RNLI.

There is an annual lifeboat week full of events in Swanage and this year it takes place from 9th to 18th August. You can view further information at: www.swanagelifeboat.org.uk and you can log in to individual stations and receive notifications of when the lifeboat has been launched.

Thanks were given to Mr Corben for such an informative and interesting talk.

Minutes

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The minutes from Wednesday 21 March 2018 were noted.

Chairman's Report

18/19/1

Chairman Davey reported that it had been a busy year.

Thanks were given to County Councillor Brooks, District Councillor Barry Quinn and all the Parish Councillors and the Clerk for their efforts over the past year.

There had been much work on the Purbeck Local Plan and the SHLAA document within the Plan had showed several small sites around West Lulworth. Cllr Brooks clarified that Policy H8 had been removed from the Plan before it was submitted to the Inspector. The Parish Council will make comments if invited to do so by the Inspector.

The Cove public toilets had transferred to Lulworth Estate and planning permission had now been granted to change the toilets into a bistro.

Information had been given to the planning officer about flooding at the Old School site and a planning application had been put on hold until the flooding concerns have been addressed.

The Old Butchers Shop had a new planning application submitted and the footpath there requires diversion. Cllr Davey is in consultation with Dorset County Council to sort out the incorrect recording of the footpath on the Definitive Map.

There were traffic issues last year and double yellow lines are expected early April 2019.

Purbeck District Council and Dorset County Council will cease to exist on Monday 1st April and the new unitary authority, Dorset Council, will come into effect. There will be a reduction in councillor numbers from to hundred and six to eighty-two and it is thought that this will impact the opportunity to liaise with the new Council.

West Lulworth Parish Council will continue to strive to improve engagement with the new Council.

b) Cllr Matthews reported that the Parish Council had been looking at street furniture around the village and had brought examples of possible replacement benches. Suggestions were welcomed on the location of new benches.

c) Cllr Davey informed the meeting that all of the Parish Councillors are up for re-election on Thursday 2nd May and new councillors are needed. Anybody interested in standing as a candidate can contact the Clerk for information and assistance.

Residents Comments

a) Mr Andrew Lance queried what new responsibilities will be expected of the parish council when the new Dorset Council comes into effect. Cllr Brooks stated that nothing will be forced on parish councils but there may some discussion about areas such as grass cutting.

b) Ms Felicity Redman raised concerns about the impact of new benches in the area.

c) Mrs Pauline Hill questioned the progress of a request for residents parking within Shepherds Way. Cllr Brooks pointed out that after May a whole view of all the issues in the parish will be looked at. Clerk to contact Highways and update.

d) Chairman Davey thanked all attendees for coming and closed the meeting at 9:25pm.

The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 1 April 2019 at 7:30pm at West Lulworth Village Hall.

Chairman: Date: