

# **WEST LULWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at West Lulworth Village Hall  
on Monday August 6<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 7.30p.m.

## **Councillors**

**Present:** Mr P Simpson (Chairman)  
Mr J Davey (Vice Chairman)  
Mrs V King  
Mr D Knight  
Ms C Matthews  
Mr Norman Miller  
Mrs E Rudd  
Mr M Whittle

**In attendance:** County Cllr Lovell  
District Cllr Barry Quinn  
Mrs Julie Wright (Clerk)

12/13/060 **Public Discussion Period**  
No one made any representations.

12/13/061 **Apologies**  
Apologies were received from the Wareham West Safer Neighbourhood Team and Major (Rtd) Barr.

12/13/062 **Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda**  
Mr Simpson declared an interest in the application to modify the definitive map and statement of rights of way by upgrading Bridleways 11 and 12 Owermoigne, Bridleway 5 Chaldon Herring, 27 West Lulworth and Bridleway 12 Winfrith Newburgh to byway open to all traffic (BOAT).

12/13/063 **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2012**  
The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

12/13/064 **Updates on Previous Planning Applications**  
a) **6/2012/ 0369** - Shepherds Way (21), West Lulworth, BH20 5SL. Extensions to bungalow - Certificate of Lawfulness - Proposed. **Approved.**

12/13/065 **Updates on Applications for Tree Works**  
a) **TWA/2012/0065** - The Castle Inn, Main Road, West Lulworth. **Description:** Maintenance work to 19 trees around car parking area, including some to be felled; mix of Macrocarpa, False Acacia and Ash. **Tree Preservation Order:** District of Purbeck (West Lulworth) TPO 1970 (TPO 188) and West Lulworth Conservation Area.  
**No update.**  
**Action:** Cllr Quinn will enquire about why there is a lack of direct communication with the Parish Council from the new Tree Officer.  
  
b) **TWA/2012/0069** - The Rectory, West Road, West Lulworth. **Description:** (T1) Sycamore - reduce 25%. **Tree Preservation Order:** District of Purbeck (Glebe Field, West Lulworth) TPO 1983 (TPO 187) and West Lulworth Conservation Area.  
**Granted Consent.**

12/13/067 **Finance**

a) Payment schedule

The following payment schedule was approved for payment having been proposed by Mr Whittle and seconded by Mr Knight. This motion was carried unanimously.

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Cheque number</b>
Mr K Vallance (Footpaths/Play areas. Bills 13/14)	£273.00	000643
AVG Technologies UK Ltd (2 year anti-virus)	£30.00	000644
BT Payment Services Ltd (emergency phone at Cove)	£62.73	000645
DAPTC Planning Issues Training	£20.00	000646
Mr C Vallance (Cutting of footpaths. Bill 15)	£200.00	000647

**It was resolved** that the above payment schedule was paid.

**Action:** The Clerk will add the review of the Cove telephone to the next agenda.

b) Receipts

Interest on Playground Account £0.17  
Small refund on DAPTC subscription from DAPTC due to miscalculation £15.69

c) First quarter bank reconciliation – June 2012

The Chairman read out the bank balances from the statements.

Current Account £12,060.67  
Playground Account £4,507.76  
National Savings £55.69

The Receipts and Payments cashbook balance agreed with the bank reconciliation showing the Parish Council had funds of £16,624.12 at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012. The bank reconciliation was approved and signed by the Chairman.

d) July's Budget report 2012/13

No comments were made on this report and July's Budget report was **noted**.

The fish springer has been installed. It was reported that older children are using the small play area for the young children. Signs are displayed to say that it is only for younger children.

**Action:** The Clerk will find out prices for two new swing seats, one seat will be replaced with a cradle seat.

12/13/068 **Reports from District and County Councillors**

a) **County Cllr Lovell's Report**

i) The Cove road will be resurfaced at the finish of the holiday season. The Parish Councillors wanted to see a plan of how long it would take. The best time to do the resurfacing would be during the midweek in early November.

**Action:** County Cllr Lovell will inform Highways of the Parish Council's comments.

ii) The road sign at the Car Park entrance has not been replaced (Sign to the Cove Car Park and no parking beyond this point). This was reported a couple of

months ago. Cars are parking in the restricted parking area at the Cove and there have been no traffic wardens monitoring this.

**Action:** County Cllr Lovell will look into why the signs have not been replaced.

**b) District Cllr Quinn's Report.**

- i) The Alaska Wind Farm appeal has been determined. Permission has been granted for four turbines.
- ii) PDC have supported the application for a single turbine at Masters Pit. This is to power the plant equipment and will be determined by Dorset County Council.
- iii) The Parish Council has delivered the next 'About Purbeck' magazine. If any Councillors have problems delivering the 'About Purbeck' magazine then please contact Mr Knight.
- iv) There should be a review of emergency plans by parishes.
- v) There is a new e-petition to try to get the Prime Minister to reverse the decision to close the Portland coastguard helicopter.
- vi) Cllr Quinn had a meeting with Mr R Drax MP about the Wreck to Reef Project. County Cllr Lovell had spoken to Ken Buccan who was told to consult the fishermen about this project but none have been consulted.

12/13/069 **Consultations and new items for discussion**

- a) Review of the grant support by the Parish Council to the Village Hall  
After a brief discussion it was agreed to continue to provide a grant to the Village Hall although this will need to be reviewed.  
**Action:** The Clerk will inform the Village Hall Committee of this decision.
- b) Draft Minerals Core Strategy  
No comments were made on this consultation.
- c) Application to modify the definitive map and statement of rights of way by upgrading Bridleways 11 and 12 Owermoigne, Bridleway 5 Chaldon Herring, 27 West Lulworth and Bridleway 12 Winfrith Newburgh to byway open to all traffic (BOAT).  
**Action:** The Clerk will write to object to this application for the use of mechanically propelled vehicles. This bridleway is used by a large number of walkers and cyclists and the Parish Council want this to continue. There are gates on this path that have been locked for over twenty years and evidence has been submitted about the gates.
- d) Review the West Lulworth Flood Plan  
It was agreed to set up a working party to review the flood plan which was produced by Mr S Pack. The working party will consist of Mr Whittle, Ms Matthews and one of the rangers.  
**Action:** The working party will produce a report for the October meeting.
- e) Dorset Opportunities Programme Questionnaire. Invitation to the launch event on 16<sup>th</sup> August  
No one was available to attend the launch event on 16<sup>th</sup> August. No response was made to the Dorset Opportunities Programme Questionnaire.

12/13/070 **How meetings will be run to save time**

Reports must be submitted to the at least Clerk seven days before the meeting to allow them to be reproduced and circulated before the next meeting.

12/13/071 **Affordable Housing Report**

Mrs King gave a summary of West Lulworth's housing needs obtained from the report and housing needs register. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes. There is a need for affordable local housing as well as social housing to keep the village alive. The second homes figures in the report have been based on households paying Council tax. Twenty five per cent of housing in West Lulworth is second homes; this figure does not include the army camp. Low cost market housing will come through rural exception sites. PDC's affordable housing policy development panel are looking at ways that the market housing will remain as such and not become second homes.

Need to work out some statistics to present to the village.

**Action:** Mrs King will provide a statistical report for the next meeting about what is happening with housing in the village.

It was agreed to follow the suggested actions for the Parish Council in the report.

The Parish Council agreed to adopt the draft housing needs report (Ms Matthews abstained from voting).

The housing report will be put on the Village website or a link provided from the Village website to the report on PDC's website.

**Action:** The Clerk will inform Mrs McDermott that the Parish Council have adopted the housing needs report and about Mr Simpson's actions below.

**Action:** Mr Simpson will write an article for the Parish News stating where residents can view the housing needs report and the importance of registering if you are in need of housing.

12/13/072 **Ongoing Actions and items for discussion/update from previous meetings**

a) **Wreck to Reef Project**

A letter had been received from Mr Walsh in response to the letter sent by the Clerk after the last meeting. Mr Walsh informed the Parish Council that all due legal and democratic processes had been followed and that the project would be of benefit to the fishermen by creating a lobster nursery.

Mrs King's sent a letter about the Wreck to Reef project and the petition from the fishing festival to Mr Drax MP. Mr Drax MP forwarded this letter to County. Mr Drax MP informed Mrs King that she should meet with John Tweed at the sailing academy who believes that a consensual approach is the way forward.

**Action:** The Clerk will reply to Mr Walsh's letter asking for information on who was consulted and when.

**Action:** Mrs King and Mr Miller will arrange a meeting with John Tweed.

b) **Alexanders** (biennial plant)

**Action:** Mr Simpson still needs to speak to the Lulworth Estate about this issue.

c) **Television Reception**

Many parts of Poole and Weymouth cannot receive all of the free channels as they too rely on getting their television signal from a relay transmitter.

It was reported that the advertising for Freeview is misleading as in Lulworth owners of these boxes can only receive fifteen channels if they receive their television signal from the relay transmitter.

d) **Dark Sky policy survey**

Mr Knight has sent an email to the Parish Councillors and business in the area of the benefit that the dark sky can have on tourism.

It was reported that the outside light at 3 Shirley Close is causing a hazard to driver due to the direction/angle of the light and the Parish Council has received complaints on several occasions about this.

**Action:** Mr Knight will give Mr Fern's email address to the Clerk.

**Action:** The Clerk will write to Mr Fern about these complaints.

12/13/073 **Feedback From Meetings Attended**

a) **DAPTC Planning Training 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Mrs King gave a brief report on the topic covered on this training. There is a real change in National Planning Policy. PDC's Core Strategy will be the Local Plan. Purbeck rushed to get its Core Strategy in as Districts had until 2014. Neighbourhood Plans will have more power than Parish plans and these will say where villages want development. Parish Plans need to be updated to help with grant applications. It is good that we responded to PDC's modifications to the Core Strategy in respect of affordable housing and dark skies.

b) **Report from the DAPTC Area Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> July**

The majority of the meeting was a verbal presentation about the Navitus Bay wind park. It was suggested that tidal power was more predictable.

The Core Strategy is too urban centred as usual. Each Parish Council should respond individually to consultation.

There is too much emphasis on the natural heritage.

PDC is more regular than DCC at grass cutting.

The affordable housing policy development panel will not meet until September. The new affordable housing policy will respond to changes in the Localism Act.

The sponsorship of roundabout was covered.

12/13/074 **Highways Issues**

It was reported that the road surface on the B3071 has been damaged for approximately 20-30 yards just before the turn off to Belhuish Farm due to the tarmac melting.

**Action:** The Clerk will report this road damage.

12/13/075 **Footpaths**

a) **Dungy Head**

This is on-going.

b) **East to West Lulworth**

Mr Weld has been informed about the Paths for Communities funding. Mr James Weld needs to get an agreement with the MoD about the route. Cllr Quinn stated that this may be a project for the Royal Engineers who could do some of the work. Once a route is set up a working group would need to decide who would do the work and the cost. It is thought that the footpath would be a permissive footpath.

It was agreed that this needs to be progressed and that a working party should be set up.

**Action:** Mr Simpson will speak with Mr Weld about the footpath and that a working party should be set up to progress the footpath.

c) Maintenance Issues

- i) Durdle Door Steps to the Beach. The steps to the beach have been washed away. The Estate and Dorset County Council are working together to resolve this.
- ii) Stair Hole. The ropes need replacing.
- iii) Cliff Climbing. Signs are needed to indicate which cliffs are unsafe to climb. Climbers using cliffs that are above busy beaches have dislodged rocks that have caused injuries to those below.

**Action:** The Clerk will report these last two issues to Jenny Penney and send a copy to Maddy Pfaff.

d) Other footpath issues

- i) The verges at Hambury corner need cutting back. Mr Vallance will be asked to do this work.
- ii) The footpath sign in Britwell Drive has been removed.

**Action:** The Clerk will report this.

12/13/076 Correspondence

a) Correspondence report – August 2012

All the following correspondence had been circulated to councillors between meetings. This report was noted.

- i) July and August Purbeck Events Lists.
- ii) The password to access the members' area of the DAPTC website will be changing from 1<sup>st</sup> July.
- iii) Olympic Torch route through Purbeck on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Posters displayed on the notice boards.
- iv) Dorset Countryside news. Durlston has been nominated for the National Lottery Awards in the Heritage category and the final will be shown on BBC 1 later this year.
- v) Details of the temporary traffic orders due to Camp Bestival for the one-way system around East Lulworth village and the reduction of the speed limit. The footpaths through Lulworth Castle will temporarily be closed too. There will also be a reduction in the speed limit from Burngate Cottages to Wool for 30<sup>th</sup> July.
- vi) Public facility on the Dorset for You website to register interest in Superfast Broadband.
- vii) The detail about the Week in the Woods Course was sent to the Parish Magazine. On completion of this course there is the opportunity to apply for a Coppice Apprenticeship. Posters displayed on notice boards.
- viii) Localisation of Council Tax consultation.
- ix) Local Government Pension Scheme 2014 employer consultation.
- x) Final switchover news from UK digital.
- xi) Purbeck Sports Centre news about summer courses and car park improvements.
- xii) Details of the Armed Forces Grant Scheme.
- xiii) Newsletter from Julie Girling, MEP.
- xiv) Details of a fundraising opportunity and news from the Dorset Community Foundation.
- xv) Purbeck Events lists for August and September.

- xvi) An update on roundabout sponsorship by businesses and how it is helping to increase the highways budget to maintain verges and roundabouts.
- xvii) Purbeck District Council (PDC) Bulletin August 2012.

b) DAPTC Circular 06/12. A copy was received by all Councillors.

c) Email about the condition of the Cove toilets.

This email has been sent to Jill Jackson at PDC. The toilets are still not being cleaned properly. A query was raised if PDC still have responsibility for these toilets. It was reported that the bins at the Cove are not being emptied. The bins are supposed to be emptied twice a day. SITA need to come early to empty the bins when there are not so many people about.

**Action:** Cllr Quinn will report these issues to PDC and provide an update about whose is responsible for the maintenance of these toilets.

12/13/077 **Items for information and Items for next agenda**

a) Items for Information

- i) Please pass on any positive/negative comments to Mr Whittle that you have regarding this year's Camp Bestival.

b) Items for the next agenda

- i) Affordable Housing Report from Mrs King.

12/13/078 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012 at 7.30pm at West Lulworth Village Hall.

Mrs Rudd tendered her apologies for the next meeting.

With no further business the meeting was closed by the Chairman at 9.40pm.

Chairman: .....

Date: .....