

WEST LULWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at West Lulworth Village Hall
on Monday June 11th 2012 at 7.30p.m.

Councillors

Present: Mr P Simpson (Chairman)
Mrs M Colvin
Mr J Davey (Vice Chairman)
Mrs V King
Mr D Knight
Ms C Matthews
Mr N Miller
Mr M Whittle

In attendance: County Cllr Lovell and
Major (Retd) J Barr.
Mrs Julie Wright (Clerk)

12/13/020 **Public Discussion Period**

- a) Mr Simpson spoke in the public time about the planning applications at Newlands Farm. These buildings require change of use at present they are not used for agricultural use. All the buildings are listed and the applications will cause minimum damage to the buildings and to the environment. There will be minimum impact on public areas. The application is for holiday accommodation.
At present Mr Simpson is an agricultural tenant and these buildings form part of the tenancy – if these applications are approved Mr Simpson will receive notice and they will be removed from the tenancy. Mr Simpson will not benefit financially from these applications.
- b) Ms Matthews stated that the grass has still not been cut at the junction of Church Road/B3070.
- c) Mr Whittle expressed concern over the cycle endurance race that took place through the village due to the speed of the cyclists coming down the hill.

12/13/021 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from District Cllr Barry Quinn.

12/13/022 **Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda**

Mr Simpson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the planning applications at Newlands Farm.

Personal declarations of interest were made by Mrs Colvin (Weld Estate tenant), Mr Davey (employee of Weld Enterprises) and Mr Miller (tenant of Estate building) – all of these were not prejudicial interests.

12/13/023 **Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on May 14th 2012**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Monday May 14th 2012 were approved and signed.

Mr Simpson left the meeting and Mr Davey took the Chair for the next agenda item.

12/13/024 **New Planning Applications**

- a) **6/2012/0321** - Newlands Farm, West Lulworth, BH20 5PU. Refurbishment of cart shed and granary
- b) **6/2012/0322** - Newlands Farm, West Lulworth, BH20 5PU. Refurbishment of old shop and shelter shed.
- c) **6/2012/0323** - Newlands Farm, West Lulworth, BH20 5PU. Refurbishment of stalls attached to cottage
- d) **6/2012/0324** - Newlands Farm, West Lulworth, BH20 5PU. Refurbishment of main barn and stables.
- e) **6/2012/0342** - Newlands Farm, West Lulworth, BH20 5PU. Change of use and refurbishment of agricultural buildings to form six units of holiday accommodation.

The Parish Council recommends approval subject to the following comments.

- i) To mitigate the light pollution especially around the swimming pool.
- ii) The car parking may be insufficient for the 11 bedrooms.
- iii) The car parking area is accessed from a dangerous junction that is very narrow and steep with limited sight lines.
- iv) The accommodation is for the Lulworth Estate to rent out only and not for sale or lease.
- v) To avoid the use of uPVC and use natural materials in the building.

Mr Simpson returned to the meeting.

12/13/025 **Updates on previous issues Planning Applications**

- a) **6/2012/0125** - (Listed Building Consent). Main Road (4 - The Old Bakery), West Lulworth, BH20 5RN. Re-roof outbuilding, reduce external levels and create terraced garden. Refurbish and repair interior. Repaint exterior. **Approved.**
- b) **6/2012/0176** - School Lane (Lulworth CE VC First School), West Lulworth BH20 5SA. Replace existing chain link/palisade fencing and gates with vertical bar fencing and gates. **Approved.**

12/13/026 **Tree Works and any Updates received**

- 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 had been received.
- 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. No objections to this application for tree work.

12/13/027 **Finance**

a) Annual Subscription Payments

It was proposed by Mr Miller and seconded by Mrs King that the following annual subscriptions were paid. This motion was carried unanimously.

Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils (DAPTC) - £218.18 (Cheque number 000629)

Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) - £34.00 (Cheque number 000630)

It was resolved that the annual subscription payments were paid.

b) Payment schedule

The following payment schedule was approved for payment having been proposed by Mrs Colvin and seconded by Ms Matthews. This motion was carried unanimously.

| Payee | Amount | Cheque number |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Talk Talk Business (email address) | £43.20 | 000627 |
| Mr C Valance (Grass cutting play area/footpaths) | £216.00 | 000628 |
| Mrs J Wright (stamps) | £9.24 | 000631 |
| DAPTC General Power of Competence training, Localism Update | £50.00 | 000632 |
| We Brand It (Jubilee mugs) | £523.10 | 000633 |
| Mr R Yates (Internal Audit) | £75.00 | 000634 |
| Viking (Toner and paper) | £61.40 | 000635 |

It was resolved that the above payment schedule was paid.

The Jubilee celebrations went well. Around 80-90 people attended the event at the village hall and about 200 came in the evening to see the beacon. It was noted that there are 4 Jubilee mugs left.

c) Receipts

The following receipts were **noted**.

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| VAT refund | £490.18 |
| PDC – trail leaflets | £15.00 |
| PDC – About Purbeck delivery | £100.00 |
| Interest on Playground Account | £0.18 |

d) Internal Auditor's Report

The report from the Internal Auditor was noted. The minutes from February 2012 have been renumbered as recommended in the report.

e) May's Budget report 2012/13

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

12/13/028 **Pensions Discretions Policy**

This item will be considered at the next meeting and Mr Simpson will circulate the policy before the meeting. There are four statements to agree.

12/13/029 **Reports from District and County Councillors**

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

- i) The Over view and Scrutiny group have looked at the NHS proposals and have said that more evening workshops are required.
A committee of five members (Purbeck area County Cllrs) will be set up to look at the two proposals.
A comment was made that there are plans to build 700 homes at the Dorset Green Technology Park.
- ii) DCC still have to find £38 million of budget cuts.

The following items were reported to Cllr Lovell:

The posts of the sign to the main car park, that also states no public parking beyond this point, have rusted away and in the wind has blown it over. This has been reported online.

The verges need cutting as people cannot walk along the footpath.

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

Cllr Quinn had sent a written report.

- i) There have been a couple of IT failures and Cllr Quinn has been unable to access his PDC email.
- ii) Annual Meeting of the Council. The composition of the Council is the same as last year and following the elections is still a hung Council. Key roles as Chairman, Leader and Spokespersons remain unchanged. Cllr Quinn remains as the Deputy Leader and Efficiencies Spokesperson.
- iii) Boundary Review. This is probably the most important matter as effectively the West Purbeck Ward will disappear in 2015. There will be a new Lulworth and Winfrith ward to include West Lulworth, East Lulworth, Winfrith, Chaldon and Coombe Keynes. The Councillors felt that this was a good suggestion as the parish has links with these communities via the school being on a split site and the road links.
- iv) The Core Strategy will be known as the Local Plan. The examination in public was completed last month and some amendments are being made that will go to Council next week for approval before submission and adoption around the end of the year.
- v) It is important to respond to the NHS consultation.

c) **Major (Rtd) J Barr**

- i) There are to be more redundancies (5,000) announced tomorrow. By 2020 the size of the army will be 80, 000.
- ii) There will be visits in June to the army camp from the Weld Estate and from new parliamentary MPs.
- iii) Major Barr will look into the grants available from the army for links between the army and community. The grant would be used for the footpath between East and West Lulworth.

12/13/030 **Consultations and new items for discussion**

- a) Letter from Bridget Downton regarding changes to planning applications and the offer of training to Parish Councils at the cost of £50/annum.
The Chairman read out the letter from Bridget Downton. One representative from the Parish Council can be present at Planning Board site meetings.

It was proposed by Mr Knight that the Parish Council would pay £50.00 per annum for planning training from Purbeck District Council. This was seconded by Mr Whittle and the motion was carried with six votes for and two votes against.

b) Resolutions for the DAPTC AGM

West Lulworth Parish Council propose that all local relay television transmitters are upgraded to receive the full 40 digital channels that are available, currently only 15 channels can be received.

c) Consultation on the future of DCC's day services. Posters about this consultation have been placed on the notice boards.

d) Letter from NHS Dorset regarding the proposals for how healthcare will be delivered in Purbeck and an invitation to attend a workshop. Posters about these proposals have been placed on the notice boards.

The NHS proposals will be considered at the next meeting.

e) Are there any reasons why the audit commission should not appoint BDO LLP as the external auditor?

No objections to the appointment of BDO LLP as the external auditor from 2013/14.

12/13/031 **Report on Buses**

Mrs King reported that the 103 bus service will continue and the evening bus to East Lulworth has been reinstated. Woolfarer will produce a short summary of the bus timetable for the local hotels and visitors. Mr Knight will put this on the website. It was reported that the 104 bus service is very popular and that the X43 will run again over the summer this service has proved extremely popular.

12/13/032 **Ongoing Actions and items for discussion/update from previous meetings**

a) **Annual Parish Meeting - Lights at the Army Camp**

The lights at the army camp are variable. The less lighting at the camp the better although it is essential to have some lighting for security. West Lulworth wants to minimise light pollution of the night sky. Major Barr took these comments onboard.

b) **Wreck to Reef Project**

A letter will be sent to Mr David Jenkins, Chief Executive at DCC, about the project's affect on local fishermen. It was reported that there is a meeting tomorrow at County Hall about the Wreck to Reef project. £20,000 funding is required to help start funding this project. Dorset Wildlife Trust is against this project.

Action: A copy of the letter will be sent to Mr Miles Butler, Environment Directorate, County Cllr Lovell and Mr R Drax, M.P.

c) **Alexanders** (biennial plant)

DCC has reduced the frequency of cuts of the verges and this has allowed the Alexander to thrive. There is the possibility of the Weld estate conducting a programme of selective spraying as a large amount of the Alexanders is growing on their land. Some of the nearby houses had neglected their gardens and have substantial growths of Alexander too. As the plant is a biennial a programme of cutting and or spraying over a two year period would be required to ensure eradication of the plant

Action: Mr Simpson will speak to the Lulworth Estate about this issue.

d) **Church Road Skip**

The skip has been removed. Thanks were expressed to Ms Matthews for this.

e) **Television Reception**

Mr Knight reported that he cannot receive digital radio.

Mr Simpson asked everyone to find out which properties can receive the digital signal for radio or television.

f) **Dark Sky policy survey**

This item will be added to next month's agenda.

12/13/033 **Feedback From Meetings Attended**

a) **Flood Workshop**

Ms Matthews had leaflets from the workshop. One of the leaflets was how individuals can protect their home from flooding. These will be circulated around the Parish Council.

Action: Ms Matthews will circulate the report for this meeting before the next Parish Council meeting.

12/13/034 **Highways Issues**

a) **Cycle Races through the village**

It was reported that cyclists are hurtling down the hill and are travelling in excess of the speed limit. These cyclists are causing a danger to other road users as in places pedestrians need to walk in the road as there is no pavement. There was a near miss with a cyclist with a motorist.

The police and DCC will be informed of this cycle event. The Parish Council want better marshalling of these events and the speed limits observed.

b) **White centre lines at the Launches**

These lines need removing and white lines painted at the side of the road to indicate the narrowing of the road. Due to the centre white line motorists do not realise how narrow the road is.

c) **Resurfacing of the B3070 to the Cove**

The road needs resurfacing and County Cllr Lovell has been onto County about this issue.

d) **As County are not going to cut the verges Mr Vallance will be asked to cut the verges in Church Road, the footpath up from the Old Butcher's shop and by the grit bin at Farm Lane.**

12/13/035 **Footpaths**

a) **Dungy Head**

This is on-going.

b) **East to West Lulworth**

There was nothing to report.

c) **Other footpath issues**

None.

12/13/036 **Correspondence**

a) Correspondence report – June 2012

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

i) Olympic Torch route through Purbeck.

ii) PDC Bulletin June 2012.

iii) The decision on the Alaska Wind Farm appeal from the Inspector is due 16th July.

b) **DAPTC Extraordinary Circular.** Copies of this circular were distributed to all Councillors.

12/13/037 **Items for information and Items for next agenda**

a) Items for the next agenda are:

i) Report on Affordable Housing. Mrs King reported that today she had been on a walkabout with Synergy visiting Shirley Close, The Launches and Moreys Close.

b) Items for Information

The footpath sign in School Lane is missing.

12/13/038 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday July 2nd 2012 at 7.30pm in West Lulworth Village Hall.

With no further business the meeting was closed by the Chairman at 9.50pm.

Chairman:

Date: