



CHESIL BANK PARISH COUNCIL

INCORPORATING THE PARISHES OF PORTESHAM, ABBOTSBURY, LANGTON HERRING AND FLEET

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held

On Monday 1st February 2016 at Langton Herring Village Hall,

Present:

Cllr M White (*Chairman*),

Cllr D Stevens (*Vice-Chairman*)

Cllr J Beck

Cllr G Whitby

Cllr I White

Cllr M J Coombe

Cllr R Chipp-Marshall

Cllr D Collins

Cllr K Donnelly

Cllr J Barker

Cllr S Milton

Cllr H Ford

Cllr T Bartlett (WDDC)

Cllr I Gardner (DCC & WDDC)

Mrs M Harding (Clerk)

12 members of the Public

Apologies: Cllr G Roper, Cllr R Doggett, Cllr J Dunseith (WDDC)

752. Welcome and Housekeeping

Cllr M White announced the usual housekeeping and welcomed everyone to the meeting, Cllr White reminded member to address the Chairman and speak up when reporting on an item.

753. To receive apologies for absence –recorded

754. To receive declarations of Interest and Grants of dispensation. Cllr J Coombe declared an interest in the changes to the Coastal access path consultation.

755. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th December 2015 and sign the same.

The minutes were signed as an accurate record of the meeting

Proposed Cllr I White

Seconded Cllr R Chip-Marshall

Resolved

756. Matters arising from the minutes for information-

Item 746 -Cllr D Collins reported that at the meeting with the DCC Highways officer he led the Council to believe that it may be possible to have a 20mph limit but the Parish may have to pay for it themselves, this has now been superseded by the speed check which showed that the village does not meet the criteria.

Item 748-2 Cllr Whitby asked why the request for £150 for plug plants for Front Street was not on the agenda; Cllr White had suggested that a request could be sent to the Portesham Volunteers who actively fundraise for such things. Cllr White would follow this up.

757. Democratic Forum 15 minutes (for agenda items only) - DCC Countryside Ranger Jill Exton attended the meeting and reported on the RoW works to (BR1) Rocky Lane, Portesham, after a site meeting with Oliver Letwin, RoW Officers, residents and members of the PC in December, works had been agreed to take off the loose surface along Rocky lane to stop the surface washing into drains and onto the road, also put in a soakaway to store as much of the water as possible and eventually create a better surface to the footpath. Works had commenced on Thursday 28th Jan but when the contractors came back on site the soak away that had been dug had been filled in again, can residents please be vigilant and inform Jill if anything untoward is happening. The

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works will be completed eventually and Jill is in discussions with the landowner to try to work together and move forward.

Jill thanked the person who cleared the hedge back on FP2 up from Rocky Lane not sure who did it but a good job done.

Jill was asked about the Coast path access consultation, she explained that the coast path will remain open but in areas where the coast is eroding and the path is no longer accessible a new path is being created in consultation with landowners.

Jill was thanked for attending the meeting and left at 7.45pm

758. Finance:-

i. To consider receipts and payments

Receipts	Detail	Amount
Internet Café		21.00
HMRC	Vat refund	254.26
WDDC	Coastal Communities Grant for Fleet	7500.00
Internet Café		30.00
Payments		
A Wade	Cemetery	750.00
ND Contracting	Bier House	257.00
R H Dalley	Old Fleet church Wall	1,579.40
HMRC	PAYE	6.80
Portesham VH	Hall hire	51.00

Bank Balances as at end of January 2016 £38362.55

Proposed Cllr D Collins

Seconded Cllr S Milton

Resolved

The Council considered the DCC divisional fund and will be applying for the following:
£200- For a new Notice board for the Bier House to show the pictures of the works and copy of the Bier.

£384 -for replacement surface under the swings at the play area in Langton Herring

£200- For Abbotsbury Village Hall to assist with the fitting & electrical works for the defibrillator

Abbotsbury village Hall has already been successful with a grant for £1200 for works to the toilets

ii. To consider draft specifications for the grass cutting contracts

These will be further discussed in the closed session later in the meeting

iii. To consider a replacement fence at the Cemetery

The Perimeter fence is in need of repair/replacement, the Council will look at suitable fencing required at a cemetery and costs and investigate suitable grants and bring to a future meeting.

759. **Working Group reports:-** Emergency Planning-Cllr Janice Beck reported on the defibrillator for Portesham, this has been delivered, the next steps is to have official approval from the Village Hall committee to place the defibrillator in the outside porch of the Village hall. The defib will have to be fixed to the outside and an electrical supply is required. The Parish Council will remain the owners and be responsible for the equipment's management and insurance, also the PC will provide training for its use. The PC has also been offered assistance from James Irvine the local

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postman who is qualified in first aid and has been instrumental in arranging the training for the Abbotsbury defib.

The Abbotsbury Defib is to be installed later this month, this has been purchased by fund raising in the village and a generous donation from a resident, Cllr R Doggett is applying for one for Langton Herring defib from the British Heart foundation similar to Portesham it will also fix it to the VH should it be approved but on the side of the historic building, Fleet are still considering a defib and a suitable location.

Graham Moore a member of the VH committee was asked to comment at this stage, he explained that the next meeting of the committee is at the end of March, so an email to all trustees will be sent on the information supplied by the PC on its management of the equipment so it will depend on whether the VH trustees give it the all clear or have to wait until their meeting.

760. Planning Consultations:-

i. To consider all planning applications since the last meeting

Application no	Address	Detail	Comment
WD/D/15/002868	6 Court Close, Shop Lane	Erect single storey conservatory to rear or property	No Objections
WD/D/15/002890	6 Back Street, Portesham	Erect extension	No Objections
WD/D/15/002652	The Old Chapel, Back St, Abbotsbury	Change of use from existing to shop A1 to commercial gallery	No objections concerns about parking
WD/D/15/002688	Lazyhill Gallery, Abbotsbury	Change of use from part retail and part workshop	No objections
WD/D/15/002418	6 Helston Close, Portesham	Erect Car Port	No objections
WD/D/15/002897	Lower Shilvinghampton Farm, Portesham	Change of use from Agricultural to dwelling houses	No objections
WD/D/16/000074	Land Adj Whitmore Coppice, Langton Herring	Change if use & extension of barn to create a single dwelling and charges to access	Still in circulation

All the applications are dealt with by the individual parishes unless comments are requested to the Full Council for consideration.

ii. To consider any other planning/enforcement issues

No further updates on the applications of certificates of lawfulness at Willow Barn or Goalan's Caravan site also the Porch has still not been replaced on Ilchester Arms, Abbotsbury.

761. Highways

i. Road safety to Portesham School via Front Street- update and report

Cllr White reported on the site meeting held with a representative from the Diocese and governors looking at the parking issues who explained that creating extra parking could be a possibility, the lease for the playing field is with DCC and this runs until 2023, the Diocese will also look into the issues of the ditch around the playing field as it has not been cleared for many years and contains rubbish and tyres.

Progress so far:

- Reflective goodies/jackets have been supplied to children who walk to school provided by Dorset Road Safe and the No Excuse campaign.
- RoW will lift the stone and turn it sideways at the top of the footway leading to the car park

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- c. A resident of the village has offered to repaint the gate at the bottom of the footpath using materials supplied by RoW
- d. Centre white lines to be repainted on the bend from the Pub by the Old School and the centre lines at the top of the village to be repainted
- e. Two "20 is plenty" signs will be purchased by the PC and these will be placed on the back of the duck sign half way up front Street and on the give way sign at the junction to front street, these signs will be in Green they are not enforceable but advisory. This is because an order for a 20mph limit does not meet the necessary criteria.
- f. The School will be looking into enlarging the car park
- g. The PC will continue to liaise with Diocese/School on the proposed extra car parking as it may mean moving the entrance to the play area to enable safe access this has yet to be agreed.

The proposal for the 20 is plenty signs were agreed by the Portesham Cllrs- 3 For and 2 Abstentions.

The proposal for the centre white lines was agreed by Portesham Cllrs -3 For and 1 objection
The Parish Council agreed to the above actions and a request will be sent to DCC Highways

ii. To receive any Highways issues

Cllr Barker reported blocked drains on New Road, Cllr Stevens asked when the work on Abbotsbury Hill was going to be done, the Clerk will follow up.

Cllr White reported that Janice Beck is now going to be moving the SID as Tom Varley will be moving out of the village. A letter of thanks to be sent to Tom as he has being moving the SID since November 2008. Cllr Beck reported after the stolen battery that people should be vigilant; the SID may well be lifted higher to stop this issue.

Cllr White also asked that a letter is sent to Robert Fraser who is storing the DCC stone that was removed from the Back Street wall in Portesham so it is available as and when funds can be made available to rebuild it.

Winters Lane will be closed between 15-17th Feb for further repairs

762. ROW:-

i. To receive a report of RoW issues in the parishes-

Cllr White briefly reported on the Rocky Lane issue but this had been previously discussed by Jill Exton.

Cllr Donnelly reported that he has a meeting arranged with Ben Jones of the Estate to discuss issues in Abbotsbury.

763. Reports from the Parishes

i. Abbotsbury –Cllr Stevens reported drains outside the butchers are blocked, the Porch on the Ilchester has still not been replaced and issues of dog mess along Chapel Lane.

- ii. **Portesham**-Cllr White reported that some of the devices purchased for the use in the Internet Café will be sold as the users of the internet café have purchased their own tablets and iPads and the monies raised will be used to continue to fund the internet café in hall hire etc. The railway hut roof has now been repaired at the Portesham end. Cllr White also reported on the proposed reduction of bus service to Dorchester, Cllr Gardner is meeting with Oliver Letwin to further discuss this issue; there may be a community bus project but no further details at this time.

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- iii. **Langton Herring- Parish meeting**-Cllr Milton reported that Langton Herring now have a Green open reach box to supply fibre to the village, it is not yet known when this will be available the Clerk will follow this up. Cllr Milton also explained that the planning application by the Lime Kiln will be made available to the residents of the village.
- iv. **Fleet**- Cllr Coombe explained that the PC had been awarded a £10000.00 grant from the DCLG Coastal Communities fund for the repair of the Old Fleet Church perimeter Wall, the grant monies are held by WDDC as the accountable body, a contractor has been agreed and commences work the first week of February but works have to be completed by 31st March in order to comply with the grant criteria. There is also a potential issue with one of the trees in the Old Churchyard as it is adjacent to the wall to be repaired, the Council are also looking into the removal of the tree as part of the project as it may be a Health and Safety risk. Cllr I White also reported the issue of the overhanging hedges, this has already been reported but the Clerk will follow up.

764. To consider all correspondence received (list circulated)-

Item 1- Rural transport Consultation Cllr Whitby will prepare a response on behalf of the PC.

Item 3- Each of the Parishes will consider entering the Dorset Best Village Competition 2016, the competition judges the public areas of the village, there are also individual awards for environmental projects and the peoples award. Cllr White explained she had contacted the Portesham Volunteers to ask if they would like to work with the PC to keep the village tidy and maintain some of these public areas. This will be discussed further at the March meeting.

Item 4- A road bike event is to be held 10th July 2016 and is proposing a one way system through Abbotsbury, The Council discussed this and asked why the road cannot be manned by marshals as with other events, the Councillors were asked if they would like to arrange a meeting with the organisers, one of which was at the meeting and explained that Highways advice had been taken and was happy to meet to further discuss the event.

Item 12- Home watch signs for Glebe Close Abbotsbury-an email received from PCSO Sarah Pilcher requesting some signs, the Council agreed to the signs as long as there weren't too many. The Clerk will follow this up.

765. Items for the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 7th March 2016 at Abbotsbury

Tenders for grass cutting in the Parishes, Portesham safer route to school, Bus consultation

766. Democratic Forum 15 minutes

K Hatter commented on the minutes when he commented on the issue of driving out of Church Lane, he didn't comment on the cars parked at the pub but those on the junction which makes the visibility out of the junction very difficult.

Mr Beason commented on the new planning application in Langton Herring as the applicant, he offered to answer any questions, Cllr Milton explained that the village of Langton would be able to view the plans in the Village Hall

767. To consider to move to Closed session to discuss past and current specifications

Proposed Cllr M White

Seconded Cllr J Beck

Resolved

Meeting Closed at 8.44pm for closed session

Cllr Marsha White Chairman

Date: 7th March