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ii. To consider a donation to the Parish Map group (GW)

Cllr G Whitby reported to the meeting the Parish Map project, Mr Whittock has designed the map involving the children at Portesham School, Cllr Collins asked to see a copy of the map and detail, this was not currently available but a request would be made to Mr Surowiec for this information. Cllr Whitby explained that the £100 that has been requested was for the base using slabs and not gravel to make it safer for maintenance in the future.

Proposed Cllr G Whitby Seconded Cllr J Coombe Resolved

8. Working Group reports:-

- i. **Recreation- Chesil Fete update**-Cllr D Collins reported on the event, the Chesil Bank Fete has been upgraded to "The Chesil Bank Country Fayre, Fun Dog Show and Car Boot sale" posters and flyers were made available for Councillors to put up in their respective parishes. Cllr Collins explained that the event is for all in the Chesil Bank to raise the profile of the site and get people using it, pulling the community together and being done under the umbrella of the Chesil Bank PC. Cllr Coombe commended the Recreation working group for their efforts over the last 2 years.
- ii. **Mobile and Communications –report**-Cllr D Collins explained that he had received information by telephone that EE was not aware of a mast and had no plans for one but an email from Lionel Spencer of DCMS (the government body who is promoting this project) was much more positive and hoped to have further information by the end for the week. Cllr White commented that if we do not hear anything by the end of June the Council would go back to Oliver Letwin for his help.

9. Planning Consultations:-

i. To consider all planning applications since the last meeting

- a. WD/D/15/000953-Portesham-POSSUM HOUSE, 1 BRAMDON LANE, PORTESHAM
Convert garage/workshop & hobbies room to 2 holiday cottages with removal of conditions 2 and 4 of planning approval 1/D/10/000603 - to allow for use as open market dwelling houses (Variation of condition) -*no objections but comments will be made on the previous application where conditions were placed that it is against current planning policy.*
Proposed Cllr G Whitby Seconded Cllr R Chipp-Marshall Resolved
- b. WD/D/15/001021-Abbotsbury-9A WEST STREET, ABBOTSBURY, WEYMOUTH, DT3 4JT-Change of use of wedding clothes and accessories shop (A1), to a workshop (Light Industrial - B1) (Change of Use)- *no objections*
- c. WD/D/15/000995 /996-Abbotsbury-15 BACK STREET, ABBOTSBURY, WEYMOUTH, DT3 4JP -Refurbish, extend & convert existing outbuilding to provide artist studio, guest bedroom and garden store. (Full) -*No objections*
- d. WD/D/15/001082/1081-Abbotsbury 35A WEST STREET, ABBOTSBURY, WEYMOUTH, DT3 4JT-Rebuild chimney stack and increase chimney height by 300mm, repointing of stack and lining of flue with Thermocrete spray (Listed Building Consent)-*No objections*
- e. WD/CA/15/00147-Portesham-30 FRYS CLOSE, PORTESHAM, WEYMOUTH, DT3 4LQ
Palm - reduce by 25% -*No objections*
- f. 3 Roses Lane- Langton Herring-Change of use of part of closed churchyard as parking area attached to 3 Roses Lane, Langton Herring. Reposition boundary dry stone wall. Reposition part of 'great drain' under proposed parking area. (Full) – Cllr Doggett reported that this had been one of the main topics at the recent LH Parish meeting and new comments have now been invited for the Development committee meeting

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on 11th June with any further information. Cllr Doggett explained some of the history behind the Drain and the need to establish the ownership/responsibility before any planning should be considered, Cllr Doggett had spoken to Cllr Gardner and Cllr Bartlett to express the feeling of the residents.

ii. To consider any other planning/enforcement issues

No further updates on the business in Cheese Lane

10. Highways

i. Report on the request for an extension to the 30mph at Elworth after site meeting

A site meeting was held at the junction at Elworth with Cllr Gardner, Ian Newport and Andrew Brown, Cllr White and the Clerk, at the regulatory meeting in January the reduction of the speed limit had full support but unfortunately the junction does not meet the current criteria for the speed limit extension as it is not within the area of the village and the fact that it is at a recreation area is not a factor.

What was agreed was to put down speed markers for a week to see what the speeds are at the moment on the bend and gather costs for a “walk talk and Build” footway along the current verge and where it is not quite wide enough then the farmer/landowner will be asked to cut back the hedge further to create more width.

This will be a more rural footpath which was something we wanted in the first place but won't cost the £200,000 originally quoted but more in the region of £20,000 but this will have to be confirmed as only approximate.

The PC will continue to push for this and ask for the data once the speed monitors have been put in place.

ii. To receive any Highways issues

No further news on signage at Clover Farm, Cllr Beck reported motorbikes in the early mornings at weekends are still causing concern, Cllr Beck urged people to report and complain about this on the Dorset Road safe website, and then more speed monitoring can be done in the villages.

11. ROW:-

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

- Cllr M White reported that after site meetings with land owners and the Countryside team common sense has prevailed the ridgeway is now open. Cllr Coombe congratulated the Chairman on this as without Cllr White's tenacity this would not have happened.
- Japanese Knotweed is appearing in the parishes and this should be reported to the land owners or to DCC. Cllr Collins suggested that pictures of the weed should be placed in the Chesil magazine so residents are aware and where to report this non-native invasive plant species. The weed reported to the Estate along the railway line has apparently been dealt with.
- The footpath at the back of Cemetery Road is very overgrown but is in hand and Cllr White has now had conversations with Countryside about the vegetation on the wall in Back Street.

12. Reports from the Parishes

- ### i. Abbotsbury –Parish meeting-
- Cllr D Stevens reported on the Parish meeting held on 26th May where the Slow signs, white lines, potholes and the railings on the Ilchester public house were discussed, also the weeds long the high footpath. It was also reported that the manure at the

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site of the Abbotsbury mast has been removed so it is hoped that the build will commence soon.

- ii. **Portesham- Portesham Play area report (The Glebe)**-Cllr M White reported that the Glebe Play area needs some maintenance work, this has its own funds and Lucy Bailey has been asked to assist with this as she has a lot of experience with play equipment companies and gathering quotes. Cllr Janice Beck asked the Council for support in applying for a grant to repair the Bier house as this needs to be submitted by 16th June. The initial clearing of vegetation has been done but further works are necessary for the guttering and to replace the doors. The application would be to the sustainable development fund from the Dorset Ridgeway project.
Proposed Cllr G Roper Seconded Cllr D Collins Resolved
- iii. **Langton Herring- Parish meeting**-Cllr Ray Doggett was duly elected Chair of Langton Herring as Cllr Milton had stepped down but will still be on hand to provide expert advice.
- iv. **Fleet**- Cllr I White reported parking on the corners in Fleet making it very difficult to drivers. Cllr White would like to see bollards replaced. Cllr White will take photographic evidence and send to the Clerk

13. To consider all correspondence received (see list)

Item 24- request from the VH committee to continue to support the Broadband in the village Hall, the PVH meet later in June and will confirm the costs involved for a further contract with superfast. Cllr White asked that the PC consider this at the July meeting and continue to press for better Broadband for Langton Herring

14. Items for the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 6th July 2015 at Abbotsbury

VH Broadband, Update on sale of Garage, Bier House repairs and grant.

15. Democratic Forum 15 minutes

The Council was asked to request a new bin on the Village Green as it is overflowing and a poor state. The Council was asked to remind the meeting of the Chesil Fete date being 19th July from 11.30am and reminded everyone that this is a whole group parish event and it takes a lot of organising and work.

Meeting Closed at 8.20pm

Cllr Marsha White *Chairman*

Date: 6th July 2015