



CHESIL BANK PARISH COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Langton Herring Village Hall on Monday 2nd February 2015

Present:

Cllr M J Coombe (<i>Chairman</i>)	Cllr D Stevens	Cllr G Whitby
Cllr M White (<i>Vice Chairman</i>)	Cllr I White	Cllr S Milton
Cllr H Ford	Cllr G Haine	Cllr G Roper
Cllr K Donnelly	Cllr J Beck	
Cllr T Bartlett (WDDC),	Cllr I Gardner (DCC)	
Mrs M Harding (Clerk)	19 members of the Public	

Apologies: Cllr R Doggett, Cllr L Bailey, Cllr J Barker

- 595. Housekeeping and Welcome-** Cllr Coombe welcomed residents to the first meeting of 2015. The Chairman and pointed out the exits and facilities.
- 596. To receive apologies for absence-** Received and recorded
- 597. Declarations of interest and dispensations-** None.
- 598. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 3rd November and sign the same-**
Proposed Cllr D Stevens Seconded Cllr G Haine Resolved
- 599. Matters arising from the minutes for information only –**
590 ii) Cllr M White reported that a meeting was held with highways officers regarding the issues at the entrance of Clover Farm and further investigations into signage will be considered.
- 600. Democratic Forum (15 minutes on Agenda items) –**
Mr Lovelock an expert in mobile and radio frequencies spoke in support of the Abbotsbury telecommunications mast and commented on the concerns about safety, stating that TV aerials are far more dangerous than the mobile phone masts but people would not be prepared do without TV.
Mr Dredge spoke as a structural engineer and commented on the positioning of the Portesham mast as he had considered it not to be where it stated on the application also that he would like to see health monitoring put in place as part of the constraints to the application if approved.
Mr Wickham spoke FOR the mast stating that there is no reception in Abbotsbury and this mast is very much needed in the village- there have been issues with getting in contact with emergency services in the past.
Cllr Ian Gardner reported that the mast is on the list for the planning committee on the 12th February; they will only be considering any landscape issues.

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601. Finance

i. To consider receipts and payments

The full payments list was previously circulated to Council members, all payments have been authorised and paid in line with the necessary internal controls and contracts.

Receipts		
	Internet café	34.00
	BT Way leaves	50.00
	Raglan house rents	1,658.90
	Internet café	47.80
Payments		
HMRC	PAYE	15.80
Portesham VH	Internet Café- January	24.00
Langton Herring VH	Hall Hire x 3 sessions	30.00

Proposed Cllr J Beck

Seconded Cllr I White

Resolved

602. Working Groups

- i. **Recreation-** the Clerk reported that the Recreation Group now has a project manager Colin James who lives in Portesham and is assisting the group with coordinating contractors. It is hoped to have the porta cabins on site at the end of February/ early March weather dependent.
- ii. **Mobile and Communications-** the Clerk reported that the Portesham mast is up and should be enabled over the next 5-6 weeks. The application for the Abbotsbury mast is still being considered and will go to the planning committee as reported by Cllr Gardner.
Cllr M White reported that “Vodafone sure signal” project will be doing a survey and it is hoped that Langton Herring which has been short listed is successful for the support.

603. Planning consultations -the following planning applications were considered by the council

- i. WD/D/14/003214-3 *Winters Close Portesham-* Single storey extension to rear of dwelling and alteration of the existing kitchen and dining room- no objections
- ii. WD/D/15/000099-11 *Winters Close Portesham-Removal of French doors and replacement with bi-fold doors. Replace redundant oil fire flue with building in of wood burning stove. Brick up old kitchen doors. Reduce height of front window. Re-ordering of rooms internally & general refurbishment-* no objections.

604. Highways

i. DCC owned Wall In Back Street

A meeting with Ian Newport (DCC officer) reported that the vegetation will be cleared from the wall in Back Street and talks will be held with colleges to see if there is any help with the rebuilding of the wall as it is a DCC asset, this will also include the wall along Goosehill which is also in need of repair.

ii. To receive any Highways issues

Cllr Beck reported an incident in November concerning a resident of Goose Hill Cottages, who was struck by a car as she walked along the westbound pavement outside the terrace of cottages. The car that struck the victim, who wishes to remain anonymous, was squeezing through the natural pinch point, so as not to have to wait for a lorry travelling Eastbound. Fortunately the accident happened at fairly low speed and the injuries sustained by the resident were “only” severe bruising which lasted many weeks. The car that struck the victim did stop, but drove off as soon as the victim was back in her house. They did not leave

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any details as to their identity. This accident had the potential to be far worse, the recent traffic survey has shown us the excess speed of vehicles prior to, and leaving the pinch point at Goose Hill. Cllr Beck asked if it was not time for there to be a controlled passing point put in place. Cllr Beck also stressed the importance to all members of the public to report all accidents and near misses to the Police. Even if no injuries have been sustained it is vitally important that road traffic incidents are recorded. Cllr Ian Gardner asked for a copy of the report as it could be combined with the reduction in speed from Portesham to the West Elworth junction

- iii. The Clerk reported that the petition to reduce the speed from Portesham to beyond the West Elworth junction went to the regulatory committee on 29th January and was 100% supported, we now wait to hear what actions are to be discussed and taken. Thanks were given to Cllr Gardner for supporting this request.

605. Reports from the Parishes:

- i. **Abbotsbury**-Cllr Ford reported a site meeting had been held to look at the junction at Market Street and Church Street after the issues of vehicles driving in the middle of the road- it was agreed that white lines be placed in the centre of the road just on the bend to guide drivers around it, this will happen once the bad weather turns and no further grit is required.

- ii. **Portesham**-Cllr White reported that the Rocky lane issue is still ongoing but is now being dealt directly with DCC Countryside team and the land owner.

Proposed Cllr K Donnelly

Seconded Cllr S Milton

Resolved

- iii. **Langton Herring**- the Grass cutting contract is due for renewal in Langton Herring; a spec had been previously circulated and will now be advertised ready for consideration at the March meeting.
- iv. **Fleet**- Cllr White reported that the vegetation over the BT lines had been removed but other tree/vegetation works have yet to be completed.

606. **To consider all correspondence received**- List of correspondence was circulated to the council. Item 24 DAPTC Annual conference- the clerk asked if any Councillors wished to attend Item 30- Open meeting for prospective Town and Parish Councillors- this will be an agenda item for March with the impending elections on 7th May 2015

Item 6- New road name plate- this was requested by residents of the houses by the Surgery as the old Goosehill road was an adopted road but had not been named and there had been issues with deliveries.

607. Items for the Parish Council meeting on 2nd March 2015 at Abbotsbury-

New Councillor Info, Langton Herring grass contract, update on speed limit, Update on the communication masts.

608. Democratic Forum 15 minutes

Mrs Loveloch who lives in the Coast guard cottage on Burton Road asked if there could be anything done about the amount of litter left on the Chesil beach. Also the road is on Sat Navs as an access to Burton Bradstock which it is not. It was explained that there are bins put there by Ilchester Estates during the summer months and there is nothing that can be done about Sat Navs and there is signage to say that is a dead end at the roundabout.

Meeting Closed at 8.10pm

Cllr John Coombe *Chairman*

Date: 2nd March 2015