



CHESIL BANK PARISH COUNCIL

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

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Strangways Hall Abbotsbury on Monday 2nd March 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 L Bailey
Cllr K Donnelly	Cllr R Doggett	Cllr J Barker

Cllr T Bartlett (WDDC), Cllr I Gardner (DCC)

Mrs M Harding (Clerk) 9 members of the Public

Apologies: Cllr G Roper and Cllr J Beck

- 609. Housekeeping and Welcome-** Cllr Coombe welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed everyone where the emergency exits and facilities are.
- 610. To receive apologies for absence-** Received and recorded
- 611. Declarations of interest and dispensations-** None.
- 612. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 2nd February 2015 and sign the same-**
Proposed Cllr I White Seconded Cllr K Donnelly Resolved
- 613. Matters arising from the minutes for information only –**
Cllr M White reported on the item under matters arising last month regarding possible signage at Clover Farm in Portesham, we are now waiting for advice and criteria of a possible new sign to warn of the farm entrance. Regarding the DCC wall in Back Street neither Kingston Maurward nor Weymouth College have been very forthcoming with help, but the Parish Council are applying for funds from Cllr Gardner's divisional fund towards Wall projects in the Parish to include this wall. The slippery road surface reported on Garston Hill just this side of the roundabout from Fleet is to have a skid test.
- 614. Democratic Forum (15 minutes on Agenda items) –**
Rosemary Rees spoke about her concerns for the mast in Abbotsbury and the style of the one in Portesham. She reported that those speaking out against the mast were treated with derision. She asked the Council about the consultation process and about the temporary pole that was erected on the site. Cllr Gardner reported that the pole was erected specifically for the planning committee site visit only. He explained that AONB did not have issues with the Portesham mast but they did with the Abbotsbury mast but members considered this and the fact there are so many other pylons and various tall farm buildings in the surrounding area, finally out of the 7 sites recommended this was the most preferable one.
- Cllr Ford explained that the PC discussed the mast at a PC meeting in Portesham and information was available for the PC meeting in Abbotsbury where it was an agenda item but very few Abbotsbury residents attended the meeting.

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Barbara Laurie reported that the Council had promised that there would be a parish meeting but it didn't happen. Cllr Ford reiterated that it was on the agenda for the Abbotsbury meeting where information was made available.

615. Promoting the Elections on 7th May 2015 for Parish and District Councillors

There will be Parish and district elections on 7th May. The Clerk had circulated nomination forms to the current Councillors and explained that if anyone was interested in the role to contact the Clerk or any Councillors for further information but that the nomination forms need to be submitted by 9th April 2015. Notices will go up around the villages shortly with full details.

616. To update the Standing Orders to agree the changes in the law in England that permits email service of the summons and agendas and to gain permission from each Councillor.

The Clerk explained that new legislation has now been passed and agendas can now be sent by email assuming that Councillors give their approval. The working group of the four chairs will meet to look at the Standing Orders and any changes necessary to include this new legislation.

617. 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		
		0.00
Payments		
M Harding	Salary/Exp	656.32
HMRC	PAYE	39.82
M Jolliffe	Cemetery/Churchyard	487.50
G James	Portesham Greens	440.70
W Vincent	Abbotsbury Rec Ground	184.50
I Pritchard	LH Amenity area	218.75
PVH	Internet café	31.50
Strangways Hall	CBPC Meeting	10.00
DAPTC	Annual Conference-shared cost	12.50
Total		2081.59

Proposed Cllr D Stevens

Seconded Cllr K Donnelly

Resolved

ii. To consider the tenders received for the LH amenity area grass contract for 2015-2018

The Clerk had received 3 quotes for the Langton Herring grass maintenance contract these were circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. The contract was awarded to Mr I Pritchard.

Proposed Cllr D Stevens

Seconded Cllr I White

Resolved

618. Working Groups

i. Mobile and Communications-

- a. The Portesham mast will be enabled imminently and the Abbotsbury mast has now been approved

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- b. Broadband- Cllr Donnelly reported on Superfast Broadband in the Parish- Portesham will not be far away and soon residents will be able to contact their suppliers to arrange contracts. Abbotsbury requires some further works on the ducting between Portesham and Abbotsbury where it is blocked.
- c. Vodafone Sure signal in LH-Cllr Doggett reported on the scheme which is government backed and based on broadband. A box the size of a biscuit tin would be attached to 3 properties within the village (To be agreed) in a triangulate and then this would provide a community mobile network. The three properties approached are The Elm Tree, West Cottage and The Old Rectory but this is not confirmed yet. Cllr Doggett is arranging meetings with the property owners. There will be a Parish meeting to gauge the support in the village. The annual cost per unit is £30- £40 per year so Cllrs Doggett and Milton asked that this cost in principle could be borne by the Parish Council. Cllr Barker commented that assuming it is within that cost then it is a good idea and would support the project and costs.

Proposed Cllr M White Seconded Cllr K Donnelly Resolved

- ii. **Recreation-** Cllr Bailey reported that the Chesil fete and Dog Show will be on Sunday 19th July. The date was brought forward so it didn't clash with other events in the parish and it will be at the beginning of the school holidays. The fete is open to all the parishes in Chesil Bank and hopes that it is as well supported as last year.

Proposed Cllr L Bailey Seconded Cllr G Haine Resolved

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

- i. WD/D/15/000100-*North Mead Farm*- Erect dwelling and attached garage plot 3- no objections
- ii. WD/D/15/000388-*The Old Dairy Tatton Farm- Change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling house (Use Class C3), and for associated operational development (Prior Approval Agricultural to dwelling)* - no objections.
- iii. WD/D/14002517- *Amended plan for Land adjacent to Malthouse meadows*- Cllr Barker reported that there are a number of issues. The Council would like this application dealt with by committee. Portesham Councillors are meeting with the case officer and gathering further information regarding the flooding issues. A parish meeting will be held to gather public opinion prior to any comments prepared and circulated to all Parish Councillors.
- iv. Enforcement issues: The Council have been made aware of a new car business set up along Cheese Lane. Also a septic tank is being installed in Rodden so further information is required on both of these issues to see if they required planning.

620. **Highways**

- i. **To consider the latest SID evaluation data** Cllr Ford reported on recent information received from Rob Camp on evaluating SID data, recommending that the SID stays for a month at each location. The battery would still require changing on a weekly basis. In order to have a further DCC SID to be at the other CBPC locations there would have to have been evidence of accidents in the last 5 years and there isn't data to support this at the locations in our Parish. This will be considered at the next meeting. Cllr M White reported that Cllr Beck who does this as a job explained that in her opinion the SID locating should stay as it is.

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ii. To receive any Highways issues

Cllr Ford asked if the vegetation could be cut back by the old railway bridge just before Goosehill cottages in Portesham so it could aid visibility at the pinch point.

621. Reports from the Parishes:

- i. **Abbotsbury**-Cllr Ford commented on the divided support for the Abbotsbury mast and thanked Cllr Tom Bartlett and Cllr Ian Gardner for their 100% support for the application.
- ii. **Portesham**-Cllr White reported that there will be Parish meeting hopefully on 23rd March to consider the development in Portesham and a further proposed development which has come to light. Cllr White also commented on the possible Wall fund which has been applied for from the DCC divisional fund through Cllr Gardner. Cllr M White asked if she could arrange for the spraying of some of the vegetation on the Churchyard wall to a maximum of £100.

Proposed Cllr G Whitby

Seconded Cllr M White

Resolved

Cllr Whitby reported that the hedge along Winters Lane just beyond the bungalow requires cutting back. The property owners have been informed.

- iii. **Langton Herring**- Cllr Milton thanked Cllr Doggett for his work with the Vodafone project and Langton Herring will also have a meeting to further discuss this with residents date to be confirmed.
- iv. **Fleet**- Cllr White reported that parking along Fleet road on verges is making a mess. Also the area of hedge from Fleet gates requires cutting back.

622. To consider all correspondence received- List of correspondence was circulated to the council. Item 24 -Request for funds from Abbotsbury Recreation ground Group- Cllr Bailey reported that the funds would be to assist with the insurance for the community play area. The Clerk confirmed that an amount has been put into the budget.

623. Items for the Parish Council meeting on 13th April 2015 at Fleet-

It was noted that the original date booked was Easter Monday so the next PC meeting will be the following Monday 13th April at Moonfleet Manor.

Cllr Coombe reminded the Council of their responsibility to inspect all PC property in their parishes for maintenance in the coming year and the Parish Plan is now 5 years old and should be considered at a future meeting.

624. Democratic Forum 15 minutes

There was a question relating to the Vodafone signal-this project is not related to the Masts that have been approved as this is a broadband project to supply Langton Herring.

B Laurie asked why Abbotsbury was not having a Parish meeting so the residents can air their views in a relaxed environment. Cllr Ford explained that fewer and fewer people came to the meeting so the quarterly meetings were no longer held. If there was something to discuss then a meeting would be held. There will probably be a meeting in April as the Annual Parish Assembly is due.

Meeting Closed at 9.02pm

Cllr John Coombe *Chairman*

Date: 13th April 2015