



## CHESIL BANK PARISH COUNCIL

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

### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Abbotsbury

**Present:**

Cllr M White ( <i>Chairman</i> )	Cllr G Whitby	Cllr G Roper
Cllr D Stevens ( <i>Vice-Chairman</i> )	Cllr R Doggett	Cllr K Donnelly
Cllr J Coombe	Cllr R Chipp-Marshall	Cllr I White
Cllr D Collins	Cllr J Barker	
Cllr T Bartlett (WDDC)	Cllr Jean Dunseith (WDDC/DCC)	Cllr I Gardner (WDDC)
Mrs M Harding (Clerk)	6 members of the Public	

**Apologies:** Cllr J Beck, Cllr S Milton, Cllr H Ford

**2017/11-1 Welcome, Housekeeping and to receive apologies for absence**

Cllr Marsha White welcomed all to the meeting, carried out housekeeping and received apologies for absence

**2017/11-2 To receive any declarations of interest and grants of dispensation-** Cllr Collins regarding the planning for the Scrap Yard

**2017/11-3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October and sign**  
Proposed Cllr R Doggett                      Seconded Cllr D Stevens

**2017/11-4 Matters arising for info only –**

- i. Cllr Doggett asked if there had been a response to the planning portal logging on issue, the Clerk commented that there were no issues found by WDDC for those logging on within the system but the reason for logging on was to ensure that comments are genuine and to remind those commenting that these will be in the public domain.

**2017/11-5 Democratic Forum 15 minutes (agenda items only)    None**

**2017/11-6 Reports from the Parishes**

- i. **Abbotsbury-** Cllr Stevens made an official request for Yellow lines along West Street to assist with issues of traffic flow and where emergency vehicles have been delayed due to cars parked on the road; a meeting will be arranged with the Community Highways officer to discuss where to place them and to follow due process.
- ii. **Portesham-** Portesham Parish held their meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> October, items discussed were donations for Duck food, possibly more geese in the village and repairs to Back Street wall. A request was made for a memorial bench to be placed in the Cemetery, it was agreed that a bench could be placed in the cemetery assuming that the bench design is presented to the PC prior to purchase and that the owner of the bench is responsible for the future maintenance. There is currently a flood running down Front Street, this is due to the bridge into Manor Farm yard which has collapsed, the owner of the property is speaking to contractors to repair the bridge/entrance and highways have been informed as the water could be a hazard running down the road.  
It has been reported to the Parish Council that a child fell through the gap in between the slide and the connecting rope bridge at the play area in the Glebe in Portesham. The child has broken their wrist and it's likely that they will have to have it pinned to assist the mend and will be off school for several weeks, the PC have forwarded the accident reporting form to the School for completion, the area where the accident occurred has been inspected and there are no visible faults with the equipment.
- iii. **Langton Herring-** LH Parish meeting was held on 18<sup>th</sup> October, items discussed were the lack of response to quotes for signage from the DCC sign shop for "no access to sea through village"

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Clerk to follow up, large vehicles are still driving through the village and damaging walls and property, potholes are occurring in Angel lane and the road surface in Roses lane is getting worse, these items will be reported online and to the community highways officer, defibrillator training will resume over the winter.

- iv. **Fleet-** The tree works application at Goalen Caravan site was uploaded late to the planning portal and comments have been sent on behalf of the Council and residents.

## 2017/11-7 To consider all correspondence received for decision, consultation and information -

- i. The Parish Council have received the design for the proposed notice board for the Bus Shelter, this would be installed and paid for by the Portesham Volunteers, concerns were raised about possible graffiti, so it was advised that toughened glass is used not Perspex, also that the future maintenance of the notice board is managed by the Volunteers. The PC have also had a request from the volunteers to paint the gates at the bottom of Portesham Hill, this was agreed assuming that all risk assessments are completed and insurance for working on the highway is covered.
- ii. Information on the S106 monies held for Chesil Bank Parish has been received and following up on this information some of this money can be used to update the pavilion in the future.
- iii. The Clerk highlighted the Boundary review for 2018 this is for the parliamentary boundaries so that Chickerell and Chesil would then be included in the South Dorset area not West Dorset.

## 2017/11-8 Finance

### i. To consider receipts and payments

All payments have been authorised and paid in line with the necessary internal controls and contracts, all reports are available on the PC website.

Bank Balances as at the end of October 2017 **£51678.79**

**Proposed Cllr K Donnelly**

**Seconded Cllr G Roper**

### ii. To consider the Budget recommended by the F & GP working group

The notes and recommendations from the meeting had been previously circulated; the report was read out at the meeting, Cllr Doggett explained that the precept request would stay the same at £26000.00, although this would mean a slight decrease as parishes will no longer receive the LGCT grant. The Budget and report was agreed

Proposed Cllr D Stevens

Seconded Cllr R Doggett

### iii. To consider financial support for the Rodden Superfast Project

Cllrs considered the request for financial assistance and agreed that in principle the Parish Council would support the community project but are not in the position to provide any financial support at this time. The Parish Council will continue to do all that it can to assist the group in raising the profile of the need for the superfast service in rural areas.

Proposed Cllr M White

Seconded Cllr G Roper

### iv. To consider the quotes for repairs and maintenance to Portesham play area-

After the recent play area inspections a few items of equipment require servicing or minor repairs, quotes have been gathered for the works and it was agreed to engage a company from Bridport who have dealt with this kind of equipment before to carry out the works, Cllrs would like to be on site when the roundabout is serviced to see if this is something that can be done in house.

Proposed Cllr G Roper

Seconded Cllr R Doggett

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This contractor also gave their views and costs to other works to be carried out in Langton Herring and Abbotsbury play areas and these works would also be looked into by the parishes.

**v. To consider a request for solar lights for Portesham**

Cllr M White commented that Portesham has £247 left from the Best Village winnings to be spent in Portesham and requests have come in for solar lighting along the footway to the Doctors surgery. Cllr White proposed to purchase approx. 4 lights to be placed along the route, there were concerns that these could be pinched if not fixed, the PC agreed to the purchase.

Proposed Cllr M White

Seconded Cllr D Stevens

## Planning Consultations

2017/11-9

**i. To consider all planning applications**

WD/D/17/002269- Elms, Winters Lane, Single storey front extension- No objections

WD/TP/17/00342- Goalen Caravan Site, clearance of vegetation within site with a stem diameter of less than 50mm measured at 1.5m above ground to allow safe access- objections raised and monitoring required.

WD/D/17/002399-Willow Barn, Cheese Lane-Erect dwelling to rear of existing workshop, reduce size of workshop and concrete forecourt and carry out improvements to landscaping. (Outline)- Cllrs agreed to arrange a site visit with the P & D group and the applicant to make a comment and extend the consultation deadline until after the next PC meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December.

WD/D/17/002431 & 002432-15 Back Street, Abbotsbury-Extension to porch (Full and Listed)- no objections

WD/D/17/001303- Scrap Yard Portesham, Formation of new vehicular access, installation of security gates and siting of porta-cabins- Cllrs had previously objected to the application due to the extending footprint of the site into the AONB and placing of porta cabins but would have supported the new safer access. After a site visit by Cllr M White and Cllr J Beck who prepared a report of their findings and their recommendations to the Council to withdraw the objections and support the new safer access, car park and porta cabins, assuming that the current area being used for parking and some scrap storage in the field above the current site entrance is reinstated back to an agricultural field, also that none of the scrap business activities is to be extended into the adjoining fields or land. This is to ensure that the current site does not expand any further into the AONB, finally that an extensive screening plan is put in place to try to obscure the views from the roads and footpaths in the area.

Proposed Cllr M White

Seconded Cllr D Stevens

6 FOR and 4 Abstentions motion carried

**ii. To consider any other planning/enforcement or ongoing issues**

**Whitmore Coppice-** Cllr Doggett reported on the refusal of the application at planning committee on grounds of road safety and environmental issues. The Clerk was asked to pursue the request for information on road traffic works used in 2009 as no information has been

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forthcoming to date. Cllr Doggett thanked the Cllrs who assisted in the preparation of the objections and comments that led to this application being refused.

### iii. To receive a report on the Planning seminar at WDDC (GW)

Cllr Whitby had attended the WDDC planning seminar on 26<sup>th</sup> October, items of discussion was the CIL (Community infrastructure levy) being charged at £100 per/sq/m. If the Parish has a neighbourhood plan then the PC could be eligible for 25% of this charge but only 15% without a Neighbourhood plan. The adopted local plan is currently below its targets for the 5 year land supply as it is at 4.94 years of land supply. The Weymouth and West Dorset Local plan's aim is to provide 775 houses to be built per year and is possibly set to be increased to 800 per year. Dorchester and Sherborne are due to have surveys on their infrastructure for any new developments. Conservation area appraisals are being looked into as some are out of date and planning enforcement is changing as it is now discretionary and cases will be considered if enforcement is to be carried out on proportionate and timing of constraints. Cllr Gardner commented that it is West Dorset's policy to enforce where it can and is necessary in severe cases. Monies have been set aside to deal with these issues.

**2017/11-10 To receive Highways Issues-**Cllr M White reported that she and Cllr Stevens had met with the owners of Abbotsbury tea rooms and had received lots of photographic evidence and information on the large and heavy vehicles that still use the B3157 unnecessarily. Cllr White has been in touch with Highways England and Dorset Highways to look into better signage at Bridport and Chickerell to warn drivers of the unsuitable road through Abbotsbury. Highways will also look into the Sat Nav companies and Ordnance Survey to try to deal with the mapping and route issues.

**2017/11-11 Countryside and RoW-** The monument gate is now shut and creating parking issues on the road by the monument, Cllr White is looking into this.

### **2017/11-12 Working group reports-**

Emergency planning- the group met and have suggested some updates to the emergency plan, the group have also requested a new battery and gel pads, this will be added to the December meeting once quotes have been gathered.

Recreation group – the next Chesil Fayre meeting is 27<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm at the Kings Arms.

**2017/11-13 Items for the meeting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at Portesham-** TBA

### **2017/11-14 Democratic Forum 15 minutes:**

Cllr Jean Dunseith reported that she sits on the petitions committee and a petition is being considered on a 20mph limit in Back Street, the Abbotsbury Cllrs could not support the request and were not in favour.

Cllr Ian Gardner reported that the Chickerell Neighbourhood plan questionnaire is now available and would forward a copy.

Meeting Closed at 9.10pm

Cllr Marsha White (*Chairman*)

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Date: 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017