



# CHESIL BANK PARISH COUNCIL

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member for planning about the Fleet issue to request that this is given attention. It was noted that the Fleet enforcement and the Rodden Farm, Rodden still have enforcement issues raised with no action to date.

### iii. To receive the Neighbourhood Plan report

#### *Feedback from Options Consultation events*

a. We only received 68 completed questionnaires as a result of the meetings. Overall this is a disappointing response given that there are over 750 households across the Parish. In particular, there was a low response from Portesham and given that there was a proposed site there, it was surprising there was not a greater response.

Abbotsbury was also low but then no sites were being proposed apart from one in Rodden. There was an encouraging response from Langton Herring which gave us some useful feedback about the 5 sites being proposed there. In Fleet, as reported last time there was some confusion about what was being proposed for both the camp sites and the housing and a meeting was held with residents on the 9<sup>th</sup> October to recover the situation and to propose a revised action plan. We have now asked AECOM to carry out site assessments on the proposed housing sites, which they have agreed to do. Regarding Portesham we are intending to run the questionnaire again along with an effort to raise interest since we do not presently have enough responses to make an informed decision about the site put forward.

b. Of the 11 sites, 1 in Abbotsbury /Rodden, 4 in Fleet, 5 in Langton Herring and 1 in Portesham based on the questionnaires we did receive, only 2 sites in Langton Herring, 1 in Fleet and possibly the one in Portesham received a level of favourable support.

c. As a result of the above, we are not yet in a position to give a final report on the status of each site put forward. We hope to resolve this in the coming weeks, once AECOM have carried out the assessments in Fleet and we have raised the level of interest in Portesham.

#### *Sea Scoping*

a. We have had a couple of Teams calls with AECOM regarding the scoping of the Strategic Environmental Assessment work and we have provided the necessary input for them to proceed to an initial report, which we can expect for review in early November.

#### *Affordable Housing workshop*

a. As a result of both survey feedback and from anecdotal comments from contacts with the community, there is much interest in how we might introduce affordable housing into the Neighbourhood Plan. In an effort to establish if this is feasible or not a Workshop involving some members of the SG has been scheduled for October 29th.

b. The Chair reported that the NPSG are looking into a CLT (Community Land Trust) and a request was made to the PC to approach the landowners of the Portesham site with the idea of piloting a scheme based on a CLT. The Council supported the NPSG in this process.

### 21/11-8 To consider all correspondence received for decision, consultation, and information.

Correspondence report circulated, items to note:

- i. Cllrs were reminded to complete their ROI online.
- ii. National grid VIP community grant had reopened- SW asked if the Council could request some of the tables used in the meeting room at the VIP site as the tabletops has a map of the entire route of the project- **Action Clerk**
- iii. The SID in Portesham was not working, this was reported to the SID team and is now functioning again, the SID officer had emailed with another option going forward, this will be added to the Dec agenda
- iv. Langton Herring play area project- CK had gathered quotes for the replacement of the swing frame at a cost of £3646 the swings taken off the old frame can be re installed- the Council

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agreed to this project and actual quotes will be circulated to Cllrs and confirmed at the December meeting

Also, the addition of a play tower and slide at a cost of £2800, there has already been very generous donations from residents of Langton Herring for £1500 towards this part of the project. The PC agreed to provide the additional funds to install this piece of equipment. A site meeting is to be arranged with the contractor to confirm the equipment. It is hoped to have the equipment installed for Easter 2022

Proposed DJC                      Seconded GR

- v. Replacement bench at Langton Herring- CK had gathered quotes for a new recycled bench at Coast Guards- The base can be re used fixings will be needed- the total cost of the bench including VAT is £378.00

Proposed KD                      Seconded GR

- vi. Annual Check- Dorset Council community sandbag stores in Portesham and Abbotsbury- Cllrs to check stores- to place orders

**Action Cllrs**

## 21/11-9                      Finance

### i.      **To approve the finance report of payments and receipts**

All payments due were authorised to be paid in line with the necessary internal controls and contracts. The report of payments, receipts and the bank reconciliation were circulated prior to the meeting and placed on the website. Bank balances to the end of Oct 21 £90,226.92.

Proposed GR                      Seconded KD

### ii.     **To consider the costs of the vegetation work at the Cemetery**

The costs of the works would be £715 plus vat- this was agreed

Proposed SW                      Seconded GR

### iii.    **To consider the costs of the changes to the Abbotsbury Recreation ground gate.**

A quote of £395.00 had been gathered to swap the gates to improve the disabled access, Cllrs agreed to the quote but asked that the Clerk confirmed any additional costs would only be for fixings if the current ones could not be used, this was agreed.

Proposed KD                      Seconded GR

### iv.     **To consider the budget and precept 2022-23**

Following the meeting of the budget group recommendations had been made to Councillors.

The Council considered the Allotment rents, Cemetery fees and charges, increasing the budgets for the grass cutting for the coming years and for emergency planning with 3 defibrillators in the parishes. Some projects to be considered for the coming year is to consider the care of the Yew tree in the churchyard and the tree in the rectory with the issues at the Churchyard wall, MW is arranging site meetings with contractors. The conservation area withing the Abbotsbury play area need of cutting back to make it more accessible.

A full list of the budget was supplied and available on the PC website. The council considered the precept and agreed to only raise this from £28325 to £29000 and use the monies in reserves for any new or additional projects. This is paid in two equal payments in April and September each year. The proposals were supported.

Proposed KD                      Seconded DJC

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## 21/11-10 Highways- reports

### i. To receive any other highways reports.

KD reported following the recent rain storms a lot of debris and gravel is in need of cleaning in Abbotsbury. Also, the drain and pipes under the road at the West End of Abbotsbury are not suitable and need clearing.

MH had reported the issues at Blind Lane to the Flood team and the Estate.

CK reported that nothing had been done to the road surface following the issues in the hot weather and the surface melting in Langton Herring. Also, the issues of cyclists speeding through the village are an issue when exiting the village lanes and asked if there is anything that could be done to warn drivers. The highways officer will be asked for advice.

The grass verge has not been cut yet on Front Street at the bottom of Winters Lane, this will be reported.

It was reported that the pipe works carried out down Winters Lane seemed to have worked and are being monitored by MW.

JC also reported that parking is still happening on Fleet Road as the bollards are still too far apart, the photo supplied will be sent to the highways officer.

There is still an issue with HGVs in the village, the PC will go back to Highways to ask them to reconsider the HGV routes, but after the flood works are complete in the village. It was noted that there are still issues with HGV's getting stuck on the corner in Abbotsbury at times.

The Council suggested putting a list of how to report issues online into the Chesil magazine.

**Action Clerk.**

## 21/11-11 Countryside & RoW reports

- i. Cllrs were reminded to report any issues directly online. The Clerk reported that the village verges are to be cut twice a year with cut and collect equipment to eventually reduce the fertility in the soil and encourage wildflowers.

## 21/11-12 Parish Reports

- i. **Abbotsbury** -An Oak tree is to be planted in the Abbotsbury Recreation ground in memory of Dave Stevens. This tree was part of Fields in Trust and has been waiting to be sited in a suitable location.
- ii. **Fleet**- none.
- iii. **Langton Herring**- None.
- iv. **Portesham**- the Parish meeting was held on 25<sup>th</sup> Oct, items discussed, the SID, Portesham volunteers gave a report of their activities, the NT are not supporting the beacon at Hardyes monument as it is on a SSSI and the risk of fire at that time of year. Dorset Council have offered to assist with this. It was hoped to install a permanent beacon as in Abbotsbury.

## 21/11-13 To confirm the date and items for the next Parish Council meeting 6<sup>th</sup> December at Portesham- followed by refreshments

## 21/11-14 Democratic Forum 15 minutes-

MR reported on Dorset Council's focus at the moment being the budget with a potential shortfall of £15M. The Council will obviously protect the most important services.

The additional funds for the flood scheme have been agreed for Portesham from the Wessex Regional Flood and coastal committee.

Meeting closed at 8.52pm