

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BOURTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7PM ON MONDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2013**

**PRESENT:** S Firbank, D Lawes, G Miller, P Williams, M Withers, A Miller, L Jones

**APOLOGIES:** H Baker, C Price

**ATTENDING:** H Ransley (The Clerk), 5 members of the public

**13.122 OPEN FORUM**

Fallen Sumac Tree: Phil Cowell has been asked to remove it.

**13.123 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

S Firbank declared a personal interest in Bourton Mill (neighbour).

M Withers declared a personal interest in the New Village Hall development (neighbour).

G Miller declared a personal and pecuniary interest in the wind turbines at Holly Home.

**13.124 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was noted that the attendees and apologies were incorrect on the previous minutes. HR to amend. The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

**13.125 ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

1 West Bourton Road: MW and CP had met with Mrs Davis regarding her planning application to convert the garage at 1 West Bourton Road into a dwelling. Mrs Davis will be re-submitting a revised application.

Public Transport: It has been announced that there will be more cuts to bus routes. It is hoped that Ruth Hounsell will be gathering more information in due course. HR to write to express sadness/displeasure with the loss of service.

Village Signs: LJ and AM will take the sign down and take it to Mere to get a quote for replacing the missing pieces. Also, LJ reported that the Bourton sign near the A303 cannot be cleaned. It has rusted and needs to be replaced.

Voscombe Farm: Work has been done and barriers removed.

Village Tent It was agreed to leave the rental charge as is.

**13.126 REPORT BY THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Nothing to report

**13.127 PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

**13.127.1 Applications Received**

None.

**13.127.2 Permissions Granted / Applications Withdrawn**

None.

**13.127.3 Bourton Mill**

SF, MW and PW had attended the NDDC Planning Committee meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> August. The Planning Committee agreed to the draft section 106 and conditions in principle.

It is thought that the developer is keen to sell. PW reported that the site is being actively marketed.

**13.127.4 Wind Turbines**

It is not thought that there has been any progress on the West Bourton turbine.

Save Our Silton and Save The Vale had been made aware of a new application (reference 2/2013/0818/PLNG) had been posted on the DorsetForYou website for a turbine to be erected at Feltham Farm, Silton without an EIA screening. In the interests of lodging a speedy complaint, a strongly worded letter was drafted to Chief Exec at NDDC and SF took it upon himself to authorise the sending of the letter prior to consultation with all BP councillors.

GM stated that he wished it to be on record that he disassociated himself from the letter. GM took offence to the content of the letter and said that others in Council felt the same way. GM said that in such circumstances, the proper course of action would be to contact the local member who would make inquiries and report back.

It has since become apparent that the information posted on DorsetForYou was entirely incorrect. The application is now described as "Request for an EIA Screening Opinion for the erection of a single wind turbine development" and shows that on 7<sup>th</sup> Aug 2013 it was decided that an EIA is required.

The NDDC Chief Executive did not receive the letter and it had been resent this morning and we are awaiting a response.

### **13.128 FINANCE**

#### **13.128.1 Accounts to be paid**

Phil Cowell	July verge grass cut	£50.00
Phil Cowell	July cemetery grass cut	£149.00
DAPTC	Fee for Responding to Planning Issues Seminar	£25.00
Phil Cowell	August verge and cemetery cut	£199.00

*Proposed by AM and seconded by MW it was resolved to pay the above accounts.*

#### **13.128.2 Accounts received**

Locality	Neighbourhood Planning Grant	£5,148.00
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#### **13.128.3 On-going Website Costs**

Annual hosting fees will be £80 + VAT and DesignJam will charge any ad hoc work at a reduced rate of £35 per hour (normal rate is £50 per hour).

*Proposed by MW and seconded by PW it was resolved to approve the above charges.*

### **13.129 NEW VILLAGE HALL**

PW advised that there had been some small progress. Full update to be given at next meeting.

### **13.130 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

MW reported that the first instalment (90%) of the grant money from the Community Development Foundation (via Locality) had been received into the Parish Council's bank account. This grant is ring-fenced and is required to be accounted for separately from the PC's ordinary business. The monies are to be used for printing, venue hire, incidental expenses and planning consultants fees. NPG will also be receiving direct professional support from Planning Aid as well as from officers at NDDC.

The NP Vision Statement and Aims will be in the next Parish magazine along with a flyer asking for comments on the document. Comments to be made either via NPs dedicated email address on the new Village website ([www.bourtondorset.org](http://www.bourtondorset.org)) or by post/letterbox direct to MW.

Interviews with landowners, businesses, community groups and service providers are continuing and have been most useful on the whole.

NPG are shortly to meet with NDDC officers and Planning Aid to discuss how the remaining work on the plan will be achieved, what help can be provided, what problems may arise and to discuss targets and the programme generally. The group will also be interviewing three Town Planning practices to decide which should be appointed to assist on preparation of the draft plan.

### **13.131 GATES AT ENTRANCE TO VILLAGE**

To be discussed at next meeting.

**13.132 NEW PARISH CLERK**

Unfortunately Eve Wynn is unable to take up the role due to other work commitments. The need to find a new clerk is extremely urgent now due to HRs own work commitments. Anyone interested should contact SF in the first instance.

**13.133 CEMETERY WALL**

The wall is deteriorating and will likely need re-pointing and re-capping. **LJ** to find out what kind of stone it is and get costs for approval.

**13.134 GRIT BINS**

**AM** to check contents of all bins.

**13.135 CORRESPONDENCE**

Please contact the clerk if you require any further information:

Date	From	Subject
25/07/13	Go Shelters Ltd	Bus, pram, smoking shelters etc
25/07/13	DCC	Modifications to Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Minerals Strategy
05/08/13	Chris Rawlins	Requesting information about Sandways House & Workshop
05/08/13	NDDC	Notification of Planning Committee Meeting to discuss Section 106 agreement Bourton Mill development
06/08/13	Cornish Mapping Service	offering mapping and design skills
07/08/13	John Williamson	Cheque for footpath cutting is on it's way
07/08/13	Cranborne Chase AONB	CCWWD AONB Draft Management Plan 2014-19 Consultation
15/08/13	Three Rivers Partnership	Common Issues – meeting 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013

**HR** to notify Three Rivers Partnership that BPC representatives will attend the Common Issues meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. All to advise HR of any specific topics they would like to raise asap.

**13.136 A.O.B.**

Scalplings SF had acquired scalplings for Footpath 16 and was hoping to get more for Back Lane.

Broadband: BT have won the contract and will install as and when they see fit. All to take any opportunity to comment on broadband.

Bunds: It had been suggested that bunds be put in between the A303 and the village as has been done near Wincanton. It was thought that planning permission would be required.

Motorbikes: GM voiced concern over motorbikes speeding on the B3081 on a Hunters Lodge Thursday bike night. **HR** to write regarding speeding and local community safety issues.

Trees: DL reported that trees planted by BPC at Church View need to be cut back. **SF** to speak to Harry Lawes and Phil Cowell.

Police Commissioner: **CP** to check whether Martyn Underhill will be attending the next PC meeting.

**13.137 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013**

Chairman: .....

Date: .....