

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STOURPAINE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
THURSDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2015 AT 7.00PM IN DURWESTON VILLAGE HALL**

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr Scott Norman – Chair, Councillors, Keith Yarwood, Peter Partridge, Mark Farwell, Louise Webb
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<b>In attendance:</b>	Cllr S Jespersen – NDDC, P Clark – Parish Clerk
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<b>Public questions:</b>	<p><b>During this time the following matters were brought to the attention of the Parish Council by members of the public –</b></p> <p>None</p>
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<b>15/02/01</b>	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p>Cllr Deborah Croney</p>
<b>15/02/02</b>	<p><b>Declarations of Interest and Grant of Dispensations</b></p> <p>Cllr Scott Norman and Cllr Louise Webb at item 15/02/05 – Planning Matters Land at E386023 N109671 Havelins Stourpaine Dorset as near neighbours to the land</p> <p>Cllr Louise Webb at item 15/02/06 - Decision of Dorset County Council to stop the School Bus Service to Durweston as an employee of Dorset County Council</p> <p>No dispensations were requested and the Councillors above did not take part in discussions or any voting on these issues.</p>
<b>15/02/03</b>	<p><b>Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b></p> <p>Having been distributed beforehand to Councillors the minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015 were accepted by all present to be a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by Cllr Norman as Chair.</p>

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15/02/04	<p><b>Matters arising</b></p> <p><b>15/01/05 – Street Cleaning/Litter/Hedges and Trees</b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that to date no contact had been made with the resident in the village who had in the past been responsible for cleaning the bus shelter</p> <p><b>ACTION</b> – Parish Clerk to make continued attempts to contact with the individual concerned to discuss if there was any interest in undertaking this work again on behalf of the Parish Council and arrangements for payment.</p> <p>A further issue was discussed with regard to the bus shelter, Cllr Norman had requested replacement of wooden panels in the bus shelter with glazing and a new community notice board.</p> <p><b>ACTION</b> – Parish Clerk to chase for completion of the works</p> <p><b>15/01/12 h. Spectrum Housing</b></p> <p>Cllr Norman reported that the planned works by Spectrum Housing at Hod View was now underway. A sample of the coloured render proposed has been seen by Cllr Norman and would appear acceptable to the Parish Council.</p>
15/02/05	<p><b>Planning Matters as listed on the schedule</b></p> <p><b>2/2014/0876/FUL - Land at E386023 N109671, Havelins, Stourpaine, Dorset – Erect 5 No. dwellings (including 2 No. affordable dwellings) and 6 No. garages/car ports. Form vehicular and pedestrian access – Decision awaited</b></p> <p>A further application had been received relating to this application – 2/2014/1595/MODPO (see next item).</p> <p><b>2/2014/1595/MODPO Land at E386023 N109671, Havelins, Stourpaine, Dorset – Request to discharge Planning Obligation No3. of an agreement dated 21 January 2000 under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, requiring the owner not to carry out or permit to be carried out on the ‘open space land’ any development – Decision awaited</b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that a response had been submitted to NDDC on the basis of discussions held at the Parish Council meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015. No further information had been received from NDDC.</p> <p>Cllr Jespersen reported that it was likely that the applications would be taken to a meeting of the Development Management Committee in March 2015, if Officers were minded to recommend approval.</p>
15/02/06	<p><b>Decision of Dorset County Council to stop the School Bus Service to Durweston</b></p> <p>The decision by Dorset County Council to postpone the decision to withdraw bus services to Durweston C.E.V.A Primary School was welcomed by Councillors. The postponement of the decision would allow a further assessment of the route, which would involve a walk of the route by Officers and Committee Members. The Parish Council, and selected parents would also be invited.</p>

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	<p>No date had been set for the review, however it was hoped that it would take place within the next fortnight.</p> <p>Cllr Jespersen highlighted the action taken by the village to date was a good example of how community pressure can have a positive influence on decisions.</p>
15/02/07	<p><b>Highways issues – Management of the A350/Closure of the C13/Community Speed Watch</b></p> <p>Cllr Jespersen has arranged a meeting of those Parish Councils on the A350 and A357 affected by the closure of the C13 to be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 in Child Okeford. The purpose of the meeting would be to discuss what appetite villages have for putting pressure on Dorset County Council to reopen Dinah's Hollow pending works.</p> <p>There was concern expressed by Parish Councillors that it was not reasonable for villages on the A350/A357 to continue to bear the resulting pressure following the closure of the C13.</p> <p>Cllr Jespersen reported that Cllr Croney had asked Dorset County Council to revisit the risk assessment that resulted in the closure of the C13 and that a risk assessment be carried out for the A350/A357 on the increase in traffic.</p> <p>Cllr Norman and the Parish Clerk would attend the meeting on behalf of Stourpaine Parish Council and report back at the next meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015.</p> <p>Cllr Norman expressed the disappointment of the Parish Council that there were no works planned by Dorset County Council on its maintenance plan for 2015/16 in Stourpaine.</p> <p>Cllr Jespersen highlighted that a case is still be pursued for a long term solution for a north/south route through Dorset.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that the results of a DCC traffic count through Stourpaine will be available shortly for discussion by the Parish Council</p>
15/02/08	<p><b>Flood Protection and Prevention</b></p> <p>Following the flooding in the village in late 2013, early 2014, all affected households have now applied for monies through the NDDC scheme.</p> <p>The Environment Agency were in the process of completing surveys in the village.</p> <p>It was reiterated by Cllr Norman that there would be no money available for a village wide scheme for flood protection and prevention.</p> <p>It was agreed that Mr Derek Gardiner be invited to the Parish Council meeting in April 2015 to discuss the possibility of technology being provided by the Parish Council to monitor the water levels in the rivers.</p> <p>Cllr Yarwood reported that the new village hall would have a monitoring system installed to monitor flooding and alert occupants of rising water levels.</p>

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15/02/09	<p><b>Broadband</b></p> <p>The Clerk reported that there had been some difficulty in arranging a suitable date for Superfast Dorset to give a presentation to the village. A further date had been proposed in late March 2015, however Officers at DCC has cited "Purdah" and stated that they would be unable to attend a meeting until after the Parliamentary and Local Elections in May 2015.</p> <p>Parish Councillors discussed their disappointment at this development. Cllr Norman requested that the Parish Clerk make contact with Dugal Lockhart at DCC to discuss this matter further. It was acknowledged that it was now unlikely that any meetings could be held until after May 2015.</p> <p><b>ACTION</b> – Parish Clerk to make contact with Dugal Lockhart and update the Parish Council at the next meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015.</p>
15/02/10	<p><b>Street Cleaning/Litter/Hedges and Trees</b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that a Cultivation Licence had been granted by Dorset County Council Highways to allow the planting of Peace Roses along the A350 Shaston Road/Bottom Road in memory of those individuals in the village who died during the First World War. Mr Peter Palmer from the Stourpaine Gardening Club will arrange for supply of the plants and planting. A plaque with suitable wording will be sourced by the Parish Council.</p> <p>It was proposed by the Parish Clerk that he hedges along the A350 towards the village from Bushes Road would be cut back by Mark Farwell. All Parish Councillors (with the exception of Cllr Farwell who would complete the works) were in agreement with this proposal.</p> <p>Parish Councillors discussed the increasing issue of litter in the village and it was agreed that a Saturday morning would be identified where residents would be encouraged to help clear litter. This item would be discussed further at the next Parish Council meeting. It was noted that NDDC had recently cleared litter from the verges and hedgerows along the Blandford By-pass which was appreciated.</p>
15/02/11	<p><b>Elections 2015</b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that nomination papers would shortly be received for distribution to candidates for election to the Parish Council in May 2015.</p> <p>There would be a tight turnaround time for completion of these papers from receipt to submission to NDDC.</p> <p>In an effort to assist with the recruitment of new Parish Councillors (Stourpaine has vacancies for two further councillors) a leaflet/flyer is in hand giving details of the responsibilities of a Parish Councillor for those interested in the role.</p>

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15/02/12	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p><b>a. District Councillor</b></p> <p>As circulated</p> <p><b>b. County Councillor</b></p> <p>As circulated</p> <p><b>c. Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator</b></p> <p>No issues discussed</p> <p><b>d. Village Hall/Stourpaine Playing Fields Association</b></p> <p>Cllr Yarwood reported that the construction of the village hall was on target for completion in July 2015.</p> <p>The budget for the build was acceptable and the Village Hall Committee were applying for further grants. A sale of tiles was also in hand to raise funds, with an open day in June 2015.</p> <p>Refurbishment of the Sports Pavilion was on schedule with works to be completed in mid-February 2015. It was hoped that it would be available for the use of the Parish Council for the meeting in March 2015</p> <p><b>e. DT11 Forum/CPEND</b></p> <p>As circulated</p> <p><b>f. Trailway</b></p> <p>Cllr Norman highlighted that no works on the Trailway or Rights of Way are planned on the DCC Maintenance Schedule for 2015/16.</p> <p>A response to a further letter sent to Mrs Debbie Ward, Chief Executive of Dorset County Council in respect of three outstanding issues in Stourpaine is awaited.</p> <p>Cllr Norman recently attended a meeting with The Shillingstone Station Project. It was reported that Graham Stanley – DCC Countryside Ranger had written to the project raising issues with regard to encroachment on to the Trailway.</p> <p><b>g. Rights of Way</b></p> <p>See above</p> <p><b>h. Spectrum Housing</b></p> <p>See item 15/02/04 Matters arising</p> <p><b>i. Stourpaine Allotments</b></p> <p>It was reported that the Chairman of the Stourpaine Allotments Association has changed. Further details are awaited</p>
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15/02/13	<p><b>Reports on Play Areas</b></p> <p><b>a. Kidzone, Playing Field, Havelins</b> Cllr Partridge reported no issues with regard to maintenance or repair.</p> <p><b>b. Grace Upward Under 12s, Bottom Road</b>  Cllr Partridge reported no issues with regard to maintenance or repair  A meeting is still pending to discuss a repair and replacement programme for play areas in the village.  <b><u>ACTION</u></b> – Parish Clerk to arrange a meeting with Cllr Norman and Cllr Partridge to discuss.</p>
15/01/14	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>a. Payments to be made as per schedule – for decision</b>  It was agreed by Councillors that all payments, bills and invoices listed on the schedule be paid. The payments were then authorised by Cllrs Norman and Yarwood.</p> <p><b>b. Budgets 2015/2016 and the setting of the Precept for 2015/16</b>  It was reported that a Precept of £16800.00 had been requested for 2015/16 from NDDC.</p>
15/01/15	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk brought to the attention of Councillors items of correspondence received that had not previously been circulated.</p> <p>A request had been received from Mr Chris Brown from the Holy Trinity Parochial Church Council for advice as to whether the Parish Council would be making a Section 137. /Grant payment in respect of upkeep of the Church grounds for 2014/15. After discussion it was agreed by Parish Councillors that a sum of £200.00 will be made, which is reduced from previous years but recognises that the Parish Council has needed/will need to make provision to cover for reductions in District and County Council Services.</p> <p><b><u>ACTION</u></b> – Parish Clerk to advise the Parochial Church Council of the decision of the Parish Council</p>
15/01/16	<p><b>Matters for consideration at the Parish Council meeting to be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 7.00pm in The Sports Pavilion, Drapers Memorial Field.</b></p> <p>None</p>

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.45pm

Signed:

Councillor A Norman – Chairman Stourpaine Parish Council

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