Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 15th February 2017 in the

Old School Room, WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH

**PRESENT** Mrs Christine Flemming (Chairman)

Mrs Emma Parker (Vice Chair)

Mrs Aideene Turley

Mrs Pam Thornton

Mr Steven Pringle

**IN ATTENDANCE** Mr R Turley (Clerk) and 2 members of the general public.

**14/17. Apologies for absence**- Martin Dodd & Dist Cllr Jane Somper

**15/17. Public Participation –**. None

**16/17. Approval of Minutes**- The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2017 had been previously circulated and were now approved and duly signed.

**17/17. Matters Arising-** Damaged Wall in Jubilee Walk- The clerk advised that DCC Highways had visited the owner and inspected the wall and had confirmed that it was currently showed signs of movement. The owner confirmed he was aware and that he would be liable for any damage or injury to third parties if it collapsed. Highways advised the owner to also obtain an engineer’s report on the wall as already suggested by NDDC and the Parish Council.

Horse riding signs –Chescombe Lane, Village Hall sign, - The clerk advised that he had confirmation from Paul Starkey (Highways) that he had passed his survey reports to Highways paint shop for pricing a while ago although still nothing received by the clerk as yet.

Avian Flu Awareness of restrictions for owners of birds etc, - The clerk had placed notices on the village notice boards – it had been mentioned that ducks on the allotment and others in Fields Close which were contained within enclosures but still could become in contact with wild birds. The restrictions may or may not have been observed by their owners. Awaiting update on period of restrictions etc.

**18/17.** Play Park Committee Report/ January Meeting Minutes – discussion /decision on next steps.

The minutes of the committee had already been circulated. After short update from AT it was agreed for the committee to proceed with applications for the funding & donations suggested. Proposed EP seconded SP All in favour.

Items include a Fun Dog Show, A Craft Fair, and pursuing grants from various possible sources.

It was confirmed that the centre structure to be removed shortly and further quotes for replacement equipment also due shortly.

The clerk also advised that after a discussion with Paul Starkey (Highways) it may be possible to improve drainage in the play park by extending a French drain to connect with the existing one on the other side of the plot. Costing to be looked into and permission to be sort from Salisbury Diocese. (whom the PC leases the land from)

**19/17.** Freedom of Information Publication Schedule- The clerk to look into the publication document for this.

**20/17. Planning –Applications/Decisions:**

2/2017/0096/FUL - Lady Bailey Caravans Dorchester Hill Winterborne Whitechurch DT11 0HJ -Erect extension to create additional office space. – a hard copy of the plans for this were passed round to the councillors as some had had difficulty in assessing them on line. After a brief discussion no objections were made to the application although a request for clarification was to be asked regarding where the additional parking was to be for the new staff as it is currently very limited for both staff and customers on site. The whereabouts of the container that is situated on the spot of the proposed extension was also requested. It was assumed that the neighbouring property Hill Crest has been notified of the plans as other neighbouring properties haven’t.

**21/17. Correspondence**

Forthcoming A354 road closure for 3 weeks in June beyond Milborne St Andrews and diversions etc-concern that the local PC’s were not notified directly at first by Highways. Now corrected.

**22/17. Reports**

1. **Playground –** AT Already Covered at 18/7
2. **Footpaths –** SP—Nothing to report.

**c)Fields Close-**AT said that just waiting for the 200 bulbs to start growing in the flower boxes.

**d)SpeedWatch-**AT reported that the team had been out 3 times in January and 3 times so far in February and monitored a total of 2146 vehicles with 101 of these reported to the police for speeding of which 40 were logged at 40mph and above and top speed of 53mph.

CF asked if the Dorset Road Safe signs could be displayed in the village again as not out for some time or if any other sign could help. AT said that the Numbers Caught sign hasn’t been out due to the need to be removed each day to prevent it being stolen or vandalised. AT advised that she will be contacting Brian Austin for updates on plans discussed last September at a meeting he held as nothing has been heard since. The letter regarding a request for more help against speeding traffic from The Dorset Police & Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill, The Local MP Simon Hoare, and County Councillor Hilary Cox is now ready to be sent.

**23/17.FINANCE**

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| Current Account at 8th February 2017 | £5477.51 |
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Including £201.00 Play Park Fund

Less Cheques not cashed - £200.00

* Cheques for authorisation

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| HMRC PAYE –January 20th 2017 | £ 37.00 |
| Clerk’s Salary balance January 2017 | £ 115.24 |
| St Mary’s Church PCC –Hall Hire February 2017 | £ 14.00 |

Clerk’s Salary SO 20th January 2017 - £201. 41

**24/17.** Paying PAYE online –amending salary SO. Agreed Proposed by CF seconded by PT as HMRC are requesting that PAYE is now paid on line and not by cheque.

Clerk to look into this with Lloyds Bank as need online banking or BACS set up (PAYE varies from month to month which may cause an issue)

**25/17. Other information for report only**

a.The Teddy Rock event at the end of April at Charisworth Farm has now announced some of the performers and it seems to be bigger than first advised with 3 stages –concern was raised that this may attract more visitors to the event with increased traffic issues along A354. It was also asked is the road behind the farm from Gormans Lane to be used as an entrance as first mentioned. EP will look into these concerns.

b.Concerns about cyber crime in Dorset are increasing and CF advised that a Cyber Crime officer could provide a local talk for the residents of the village which may be a good idea. This will be looked into further.

**26/17. Public Participation - None**

**27/17.** The Meeting closed at 9:01 pm

**28/17. Date of Next Meeting** – Wednesday 15th March 2017