

## **WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2013 in the Village Hall, WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH

### **PRESENT**

Mrs Christine Flemming (Chairman)  
Mr Don Byrom  
Mrs Aideene Turley  
Mrs Pam Thornton

**IN ATTENDANCE** Mr R Turley (Clerk), and 1 member of the general public.

**138/13. Apologies for absence-** Caroline Ward, Emma Parker, District Cllr –Jane Somper

**139/13. Public Participation –.** None

**140/13. Approval of Minutes-** The Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2013 had been previously circulated and were now approved and duly signed.

### **141/13. Matters Arising-**

D B gave an update on the village speed watch. 53 vehicles had been recorded exceeding the speed limit since the start of the scheme. 37 of those vehicles were in excess of 40mph including 3 over 50 mph. DB said that we have not been out as often as we would have liked due to the inclement weather. The whole team is still enthusiastic, no matter how cold.

We are still waiting on quotes for a new noticeboard, bus shelter and teenage shelter for decisions to be finalised on all of these.

**142/13. Planning –Applications/Decisions:** 2/2013/0390/PLNG –The Old Forge DT11 0HP –Change of use from work shed/store to holiday let accommodation inc associated alterations –Granted by NDDC 29/11/2014

### **143/13. Correspondence**

Copy of NDDC Plan 2011 to 2026

Letter from Robert Walter MP to Okeford Fitzpaine PC and other correspondence regarding the Council Tax Support Grant 2014/15 including copy letter to Central Government –awaiting their reply

NDDC Planning Dept confirm that all planning application consultations with PC etc will be electronically dealt with from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2014

Reply from David Randles, NDDC, advising that such items as public shelters do not require any planning permission

A letter was received from a resident about the proposed plans by DCC to cut funding for local bus routes which would mean that the 183 between Blandford and Weymouth via Dorchester would lose many of the journeys including no buses on a Saturday or Sunday. The clerk is to write to DCC and Damory regarding the PC's concerns over this.

### 144/13. REPORTS

- a) Playground – A T gave an update on the play park including the report on the annual inspection. The PC will be looking into replacing some of the wood bark under the swings area and wooden surround next year. We are currently waiting for confirmation on renewal of the lease for the play park and appears that DCC are only waiting for the village school to confirm if they have any plans which might effect this once they become an academy
- b) Footpaths —Nothing to report
- c) Fields Close- Nothing to report

### 145/13. FINANCE

Current Account 27 November 2013	£8763.53	
Less cheques not yet cleared	£568.12	
• Cheques for authorisation		
Charles Lovell-grass cutting interim payment	£ 66.67	No. 469
The Play Inspection Company-report fee	£ 71.94	No. 470
HMRC PAYE payment on Clerks Salary 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2013	£ 10.20	No. 472

Clerk's Salary SO 20<sup>th</sup> November 2013 - £238.81

Budget Review for next year –It was discussed and as still confusion by NDDC on final position on passing on the interim grant it was decided to maintain precept as last year but agreed to wait until further details confirmed by NDDC before submitting a request for the Precept. A further special meeting may be needed in January 2014 for this.

### 146/13. Other information for report only

It was noted that there were several pot holes along Chescombe Lane-the Clerk is contacting Highways regarding these.

PT reported that there was a lot of moss growing on the pavement at the bottom of Old Oak Way

**147/13. Public Participation-** Piers Chichester asked if it was an idea to employ a local youth worker instead of building a teenage shelter-DB replied that the local teenagers did not want adult supervision

Letter from Piers Chichester on behalf of St Marys Church requesting donation of £500 for upkeep of churchyard as in previous years

**148/13. Date of Next Meeting** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014