WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 2nd November 2016 in the

Old School Room, WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH

**PRESENT**

Mrs Emma Parker (Vice Chair)

Mrs Aideene Turley

Mrs Pam Thornton

Mr Steven Pringle

Mr Martin Dodd

**IN ATTENDANCE** Mr R Turley (Clerk), and 3 members of the general public.

**115/16. Apologies for absence**- Cllr Christine Flemming & Dist Cllr Jane Somper

**116/16. Public Participation –**. None

**117/16. Approval of Minutes**- The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2016 had been previously circulated and were now approved and duly signed with one amendment.

**118/16. Matters Arising-** Website still ongoing**.**

Damagedwall in Jubilee Walk- The clerk has still not received any update from the owner but has received further comments of concern from residents about its safety as there appears to be further new movement on the corner. Also issue raised about the overhanging tree branches of which some are now near to the War memorial and pine needles etc which is falling onto the pathway is also becoming a trip hazard. EP suggested that the tree and the wall are dealt with as 2 separate issues. The wall is to be reported to NDDC as a health and safety risk. The tree to be again referred to NDDC Tree Officer S Saunders regarding the overhanging branches. It was also suggested that individual comments from the residents who are concerned should also write to NDDC.

Horse riding signs in Chescombe Lane- The clerk has reported that he has spoken to Highway Sign Shop and told that they will likely be doing a survey to see the possibility of signs there. Currently waiting on an update from MikeTrew of Highways. EP suggested that Hilary Cox be copied in on this.

EP advised that the Teddy Rock Festival application was approved at a licensing meeting on the 26th October.

Dog Fouling – The clerk advised that he waiting on a call from the Dog Warden Service to discuss the local issue.

**119/16. New CSW Speedmeter-** AT advised that the Speed Watch Team had been testing a new speedmeter loaned to them and everyone that had used it all agreed that it was better than the current one. A vote was then taken to purchase one –Proposed MD seconded PT. All were in favour.

**120/16. Play Park Committee-** AT said that the first meeting will be at the end of November or beginning of December. AT had also received a call from a resident who is interested in joining the committee and has some ideas on fundraising. AT has also contacted by someone who may be interested in buying the centre tower structure if it was going to be removed. EP asked if the current location of the play park were to be unsuitable in the future could it be moved to Fields Close. This and other ideas such as obtaining donations and grants etc. and what new structures are needed like something suitable for disabled children, is what the new committee will look at. The likely cost needed is suggested at £5K to £7K. The Parish Council has sufficient money to pay for levelling the ground and buying and fitting rubber matting.

**121/16. Planning –Applications/Decisions:** 2/2016/1429/TPTREE - 12 St Mary's Close Winterborne Whitechurch Dorset DT11 0DJ Crown Lift Ash 4metres from ground over next doors caravans. Prune over extending limb to just below the fork.

No Objections were raised to this application.

**122/16. Correspondence-**Letter received from Simon Hoare MP with invite for Chair and Clerk to attend a roundtable meeting on 9th December. The Chairman and Clerk will be attending. It was asked if anyone had any questions they wished to be put to Simon Hoare to contact the clerk with their written question**.**

1. **Playground –** AT advised that they are currently waiting on a quote to remove the dying tree (once planning permission has been granted)
2. **Footpaths –** SP— Nothing new to report.

**c)Fields Close-**AT confirmed that the flowers boxes are doing ok

**d)SpeedWatch-**AT advised that the team had been out for 2 ½ hours over the last 3 weeks . The Dorset Road Safe camera van had also been in the village on one occasion for 5 hours and caught well over 100 vehicles speeding during that time.

**123/16. FINANCE**

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| Current Account at 26th October 2016 | £7497.75 |

Less cheques not yet cleared £ 14.00

* Cheques for authorisation

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| HMRC PAYE payment on Clerks Salary 2016 | £ 36.80 |
| Clerks Salary Adjust due to increase | £ 115.44 |
| Clerk’s Expenses- | £ Nil |
| St Marys PCC Hall Hire | £ 14.00 |
| C Lovell Grass Cutting Instalment | £ 200.00 |
| Police & Crime Commissioner Dorset –New CSW Speedmeter | £ 238.80 |
| DAPTC New Councillors Training | £ 130.00 |

Clerk’s Salary SO 20 October 2016 - £201.41……..

Income since Last Meeting £3950.00 - second instalment of Precept

The Clerk/RFO provided all councillors with a copy of the Bank Reconciliation Report showing account balance at 30 September 2016 together with copy of payments & receipts up to 30 September 2016.

**124/16.Other information for report only**

SP asked how often the dog bins were emptied as appears that they seem to be full up. Clerk to check on this.

PT advised that there are some events in the village including the Ridgeway Choir at St Marys Church on 9th November and a Christmas Event on 19 November in the Old School Room 10:30 to 12 Noon.

SP asked if there could be a straw poll on users of footpaths in the parish –This could be on official footpaths only not permissive ones. **Please Note** - Although a vote was taken this cannot be recognised as not permitted under this item point under PC Standing Orders and must be placed on next agenda to be considered.

**125/16. Public Participation-**None

**126/16. Date of Next Meeting** – Wednesday 7th December 2016