WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 13th June 2018

in the Old School Room, WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH

**PRESENT**

Mrs Emma Parker (Chairman)

Mr Martin Dodd (Vice Chair)

Mrs Aideene Turley

Mrs Pam Thornton

Mr Steven Pringle

**IN ATTENDANCE** Mr R Turley (Clerk), Dist Cllr Jane Somper and 5 member of the general public.-Also PC Dave Mullins

**67/18. Apologies for absence**- Mrs Christine Flemming

**68/18. Public Participation –**. A member of the public asked about the missing bench in Fields Close-The Chair advised that it was on the Agenda later.

**69/18. Approval of Minutes**- The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th May 2018 had been previously circulated and were now approved and duly signed.

**70/18.**  Review of Standing Orders to update/amend including Recording of Parish Council Meetings- EP asked that all councillors look at the Standing Orders and consider if they require updating including the PC recording the meetings to assist with managing the Minutes- to be then discussed at next meeting.

**71/18. Matters Arising-**

SIDs – The clerk advised that he is waiting on further information from Highways on these including cost and alternative schemes. He is aware that the pole previously used in Chescombe Lane is not compliant with regulations and needs to be on the other side of the road which would involve high costs, but an alternative was to place a “No Excuses” sign on the existing pole plus a “Horses” sign instead.

Pavement/Hedge on Dorchester Hill- The clerk advised that he had a meeting with Paul Starkey of Highways and spent time going around the village looking at the pavement and hedge on Dorchester Hill which has since been slightly cut back plus various manhole covers which have now been marked for works required.

The Village Bier –CF had advised that Piers Chichester was happy to hold onto this until the Blandford Museum is ready to take it.

**72/18.** Defibrillators –Lottery Grant £2500 received -decision on purchasing and sites of 2 for the Village needs to be considered. The Clerk is waiting on advice from SW Ambulance Service on the best type etc. and report back.

**73/18.** Broken Bench in Fields Close- Unfortunately the bench was damaged (rotting) beyond repair and removed by the Clerk with help from a resident. The plaque is safe in the office and it was agreed to purchase a new bench up to £500 and then fix the plaque on this -Proposed by MD seconded by SP All in Favour. Clerk to obtain quotes for a replacement.

**74/18.** Request from Winterborne Valley Scouts (a new Scouts Group) for a donation towards purchase of equipment etc. AT declared Interest and did not take part in discussion. After a short discussion it was decided to donate £100 for purchase of equipment on their wish list. Proposed MD seconded EP -3 in Favour -1 Against

**75/18. Planning –Applications/Decisions:**

2/2018/0620/HOUSE - East Down House Access Road to The Bungalows And East Down Lodge Thornicombe Dorset DT11 9AS- Erect two-storey side extension, single storey garage block and carport link. All Councillors had had the opportunity to view application on line and after a short discussion there were -**No objections**

**76/18. Correspondence-None**

**77/18. Reports**

1. **CSW –AT** advised that the team still needed more volunteers and a member of the public present said they were interested in joining due to the speeding traffic early in the morning especially**.**

PC Dave Mullins spoke about CSW and Camera Vans-PC Dave Mullins was asked about the legality Speed Cameras in Camera Vans, Police Cars and CSW Teams. He confirmed that CSW teams have no enforcement themselves but the list they provide to the police result in letters sent to the vehicle owners on the first and second incident and then on the 3rd time a stronger letter is sent or a visit by a police officer may occur. The police will also use the details for further investigations. CSW teams do display signs showing that the area operates CSW.

Camera vans are accredited by the Chief Constable to enforce the speed of vehicle. These vans are operated by Police officer and Police Staff authorised by the Chief Constable. There are No unmarked Camera Vans in Dorset. The Camera Vans do not have to display signs when operating but Dist Cllr Jane Somper pointed out that the Echo publishes weekly a list of areas these vans are in. Police vehicles do not have to display signs.

Police cars including unmarked cars also carry out enforcement using Police officers. PC Dave Mullins then confirmed he would clarify further points and then provide the answers.

1. **Playground –** EP had inspected the play park with the Clerk and the ground was felt to be level enough and no more uneven than the school grass area adjacent to it. The damaged sign had as yet not been replaced and it was felt that this may be a good time to move it near to the bench and picnic table together with the waste bin which appears to have been knocked causing the concrete plinth to be loose. The monkey bars are also showing further signs of rot where the posts go into the ground and suggested that it was time to remove it before it becomes an issue. It was also suggested that there is need for more turfs surrounding the site together with more grass seed needed over the rubber safety matting area. Items proposed by AT seconded by EP All in Favour

It was also suggested to look into the cost of placing a fence around the

play park.

The Clerk advised that the Annual Inspection is due by end of July.

1. **Footpaths – SP** reported that the footpath towards Lower Whatcombe is overgrown on edge which is also crumbling in places.
2. **Fields Close-MD** advised that the 30 sign has been fixed and the flower boxes need attention MD & AT to deal.
3. **District Report –**Dist Cllr Jane Somper provided details on the formation of the new Shadow Dorset Council which has been formed to ensure the smooth transition to the new Unitary Dorset Council by April 2019. Current Dorset County Council’s current Chairman Cllr Hilary Cox was elected as Chairman of the Shadow Council at a recent meeting. The new Council will have 174 members with the Shadow Executive of 20 seats. The harmonization of all Dorset Council Tax is one of the items to be considered.

Cllr Somper also mentioned that at a meeting of Milborne St Andrews a planning application was discussed for 40 units at Huntley Down.

**78/18. FINANCE**

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| **Current Account No1 at 6th June 2018** | **£ 9,885.66** |
| HMRC PAYE payment on Clerks Salary May 2018 | | £ 29.00 Bank Transfer |
| St Marys PCC Hall Hire March 2018 | | £ 14.00 Ch No 659 |
| DAPTC Training GDPR March 26th | | £ 25.00 Bank Transfer |
| M Dodd Notice board repair materials | | £ 18.01 Ch No 660 |

Clerk’s Salary SO June 2018 - £340.47

Income since last meeting £2500 grant from Lottery Fund for Defibrillators

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| **Current Account No2 at 6th June 2018** | **£ 587.90** |
| Payments for authorisation--Nil | | Nil |

**79/18. Acceptance of** Annual Governance and Accountability Statement for display on Village Notice boards and web site. The Clerk provided the councillors with copy of the Annual Accounts and after a short discussion the Chair signed the Annual Governance Statement & Accounts Statement which will be available on the web site and village notice boards.

**80/18.** Review clerks hours regarding additional work now involved eg. GPDR, Transparency Regulations, Web site etc AT declared Interest and did not take part in discussion—After a short discussion it was agreed to increase the clerks hours from 35 hr per month to 40 hrs a month due to the increasing workload involved.

Proposed MD seconded SP All in Favour.

**81/18.Other information for report only-None**

**82/18. The Meeting Closed at 9 pm**

**83/18. Date of Next Meeting** – Wednesday 11th July 2018