WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 10th June 2020

On ZOOM, WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH

**PRESENT**

Mrs Emma Parker (Chairman)

Mrs Aideene Turley (Vice Chairman)

Mr Steven Pringle

Mr Liam Deeney

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

**22/20. Apologies for absence**- None

**23/20. Public Participation –**. None

**24/20. Approval of Minutes**- The Minutes of the meeting held on 13th May 2020 had been previously circulated and were now approved and duly signed.

**25/20.Matters Arising**- update on new monkey bars- The clerk confirmed that he had spoken to the Handyman and these are now planned to be installed at the weekend as well as the new notice board put up in the corner of Fields Close to replace the one there. EP advised that the SID is due to be moved at the weekend to Blandford Hill.

**26/20.** PC Facebook A brief discussion at the last meeting regarding setting up a Facebook page which LD had sorted out the process and it now needs to be agreed by the parish council and what is required to be on it. It was agreed to have Agendas and Minutes plus comments from Village Residents but with a link to the PC website for details of home to contact the clerk if they wanted for something to be added to a Meeting Agenda etc to be discussed by the PC. The Facebook could be an open forum but must not be of a personal nature and anything that was felt to be wrong would be removed. Proposed by EP Seconded by LD, All in Favour but subject to conditions.as above

**27/20.** Consider Co-option to Parish Council for Martyn Gleaden -After Martyn gave a short account of his reason for wishing to join the Parish Council (He had previously provided a CV to the PC) a vote was taken – EP proposed him AT Seconded him and All were in Favour and Martyn Gleaden was then welcomed as a Co-opted member to the Parish Council.

**28/20.** Parish Council website -new legislation which requires all council websites to be website accessibility compliant by September 2020. LD Has been dealing with this and has gone through the requirement booklet of 27 pages and amended the website as required.

**29/20.** Website update LD advised that he has been through the new requirements and has updated the website and also tidied it up and brought information up to date. He is now going to add a link between the PC website and the PC Facebook and vice versa. Many thanks to Liam for doing this.

Steven Pringle Joined the Meeting

**30/20.** Bench on Dorchester Hill RT advised that the bench has several rotted or broken wooden slats and some of the bolts corroded also. It may be repairable but it has been there for some time and may be better to replace it. After a short discussion and with quotes provided by the clerk it was agreed to replace with a new bench similar to the recent replacement in Fields Close at a cost up to £400. Proposed AT Seconded SP All in Favour. It was agreed to remove the current damaged bench as soon as possible. Clerk to arrange.

Zoom ended and All had to join it Again.

Vote for new bench taken again to confirm-Proposed AT Seconded SP All in Favour. It was agreed to remove the current damaged bench as soon as possible. Clerk to arrange.

**31/20.** PlanningApplications/Decisions: 2/2020/0544/FUL - Land At Charlotte Gardens

Blandford Hill Winterborne Whitechurch Dorset Concern was raised by LD as the building plot is in the middle of a Flood area (Flood Zone 2 & 3 Groundwater) although EP said that that area has never flooded on that side of the River Winterborne although has flooded on the other side. SP asked if the ground would be built up along the side of the plot by the river though this would likely cause flooding on the site. AT pointed out that the whole area has historical connection as the original village was there and there may be remains below the site. MG advised that he has already commented to Dorset Council on this point as feels that there should be test pits dug both sides of the river before any work start to check this. Other issues were raised about the trees on site but LD confirmed that on planning these are to remain also a Bats survey has already been done without any evidence but this will be continually checked during building.

It was agreed to support the request for historical survey test pits and any flood issues should be taken into account by the planning department and that landscaping after building should be sympathetic to the area. This could tidy up the side from its current condition.

A comment made on the planning portal about vehicle and cycle parking for the site was confusing and Highways also suggested that the site boundary be brought forward to join the road which causes concern as if this means a new junction onto the A354 this would be opposed due to the busy road being dangerous enough without a new junction.

SP raised the comment made by a resident regarding the water treatment plant which is on the site plan

It was agreed to ask for clarification of these points from Dorset Council Planning.

**32/20.** Correspondence- Highways measures to improve social distancing - short term already passed to councillors and no issues commented on in village.

**33/20.** Reports- (a)Play Park AT advised that the tape and other fixing securing the gate into the Play Park had been removed it was necessary to purchase a chain and padlock to re-secure it and maintain the closure of the park. Currently waiting on Government directive on re opening the play park with risk assessments etc. AT said that although in the past she has opposed erecting fencing around the equipment area she felt that it may now be required going forward because of incidents like Covid-19 (This to be added to next Agenda) /(b)Footpaths SP- Only issue with permissive paths regarding dog poo /(c)Fields Close AT Advised wating for Charles Lovell to sort out the flower boxes /(d) Speed Watch AT advised that currently waiting on a restart date from the Dorset Police regarding Covid-19 safety measures etc. Volunteers has been distributing flyers around the village for more CSW volunteers

**34/20.** Finance

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| **Current Account No 1 at 3rd June 2020** | **£13,358.78** | |
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| **Payments for Authorisation** | |  |
| Clerk’s Salary SO June 2020 | | £ 418.40 |
| HMRC PAYE payment on Clerks June 2020 Salary | | £ 46.40 |
| Printer Ink & Paper etc | | £ 42.97 |
| New Padlock & Chain for Play Park | | £ 29.50 |

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| **No. 2 Account at 3rd June 2020** | **£2912.90** |
| **Payments for authorisation—Nil** |  |

**35/20.** Annual Audit Pages 3 Exemption Certificate & 4 Internal Audit (No issues raised) are complete and signed & page 6 Accounting Statement is filled in but needed agreeing & signing and page 5 Annual Governance Statement which was agreed at meeting and then signed.

Accounts paperwork previously provided to the councilors.

The council went through each item on the Governance Statement and agreed them all.

**36/20.** Other information for report only

**37/20.** Meeting closed at 8:55 pm.

**38/20.** Date of Next Zoom Meeting Wednesday 29th July 2020