WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL Minutes

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Minutes of Full Council held on Tuesday 14th May 2024 in The Old School Room Meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Councillors in attendance: Julien Turner, Liam Deeney, Ricky Trim, and Ian Bruce

Cllr Emma Parker (Dorset Council)

There were 6 members of the public in attendance

FULL COUNCIL

1. **Co-option of new Parish Councillor(s) for Winterborne Whitechurch** There were no takers at this time.

2. Apologies for absence

No apologises were received. Cllr Holford-Walker was absent.

3. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest

No declarations were made.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th April 2024

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5. Clerk's report

The Clerk would in future produce a report on matters from the minutes, correspondence, and any other matter pertaining to the Parish Council.

6. Chair's update

The Chair no matters other than those on the agenda.

7. Public participation – items on the agenda only

There were no points from the public.

8. Dorset Councillors report

Cllr Parker had nothing to report.

9. Planning

P/HOU/2024/02319

Corydalis Cottage, Blandford Hill, Winterborne Whitechurch, DT11 0AA Remove existing rear porch, erect new rear porch. Replace existing roof lights and add additional roof lights and external works

The Parish Council SUPPORTED this application.

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10. Financial matters

a. Payments for authorisation

There were **11** payments (**PV's 1-11**) totalling **£ 7138.85** that were approved and authorised for payment. This includes items 12, 13 and 16.

b. Closure of No 2-bank account

Members agreed that there was no need for a second bank account. Cllr Deeney was tasked with closing down this account and transferring unto the main account.

11. Appointment of Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Mr Wayne Lewin was appointed Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to the Winterborne Whitechurch Parish Council with effect from 01st May 2024. The contract was still in draft form and would be brought to Full Council in June.

12. Payment for balancing of 23/24 accounts and AGAR accounting statement

Mr Lewin was contracted to balance the previous year's accounts. An invoice of £150 was unanimously approved.

13. Purchase of a new Speed Indicating Device (SID) for A354

Members agreed to the purchase of a second SID. A cheque for £ 3192.00 would be sent to Morelock Signs Ltd.

14. Purchase of solar panels for SID

Members were happy to approve funding up to £350 for a solar panel and bracket to go with the SID at item 13.

The Clerk would inform the SID team at Dorset Council.

15. To discuss the laying of speed wires as part of the 20 is plenty campaign

Councillors were happy for a speed wire to laid on Whatcombe Lane and Chescombe Lane. With a view to further speed wires on the A354 at some point.

The Clerk would contact the Road Safety team at Dorset Council with this information.

16. Discussions on reclamation of over payment to previous Clerk

It was confirmed that a previous Clerk had been over paid by £3092.60 since their resignation.

The reason behind this error was that wages had been set up by Standing Order of which nobody could stop except him.

At this time, the monies had not been paid back as the previous Clerk believed that monies were owed to them, on purchases (for the Parish Council) on their own personal credit card. **Members unanimously agreed to goodwill payment of £400, which would cover the unsubstantiated costs and minor administrative inconvenience to the former Clerk, sent by cheque once the over payment of £ 3092.60 had been recovered.**

17. Matters from the Annual Village Meeting

Members agreed that a Fun in the Field donation would be looked at. It was also agreed that a village litter pick was a good idea.

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18. Public participation – items not on the agenda

Concerns were raised at the lack of white lines on the Chescombe Lane / A354. **The Clerk would write to Dorset Council Highways.**

There were also worries about the amount advertising signs at the Triangle and the vast Quantity of posters on lamp posts.

It was confirmed that the dog waste bins should be emptied on a weekly basis. Overflowing bins should be reported to Dorset Council.

19. Items for the next meeting

New bus shelter Purchase of land from Sovereign (SGN) Further road safety measures (A354 and Rook Lane)

20. Date of next meeting

11th June 2024 The Old School Room at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2007 hours.

Julien Turner _____Chair of Winterborne Whitechurch Parish Council

Dated _____