



MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Full Council held at the Village Hall, Milborne St Andrew on Wednesday 15th May 2024 commencing at 1920 hours.

Present:

Cllr's Richard Macnair, Amy Stephens, Rob Greening and Jane Macleod

7 members of the public

Cllr Emma Parker (DC)

Full Council

1. Co-option of new Parish Councillor(s) for Milborne St Andrew

Susan Poets was proposed, seconded, and unanimously coopted.

Helen Badger was proposed, seconded, and unanimously coopted.

2. Apologies for absence

All members were present.

3. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest

Cllr Greening declared an interest in agenda item 13.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 06th March 2024

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

5. Clerk's report

The Clerk briefed on items from previous minutes, correspondence, and other matters.

There were no questions.

6. Chair's update

The Chair had no further comments.

7. Public participation (items on the agenda)

There were no questions from the public.

8. Parish Council Task Tracker

The Clerk updated on the task tracker.

It was agreed that in the future, only items that have changed would be discussed.

9. Dorset Councillors report

There was no report at this time.

10. Planning

a. P/HOU/2024/01162

Heathcote, Dorchester Hill, Milborne St Andrew, Dorset, DT11 0JG

Reposition & widen existing vehicular access

The aim of the application was to improve visibility for turning onto the A354 through significant modifications to the current boundary wall. It is noted that as far as the Parish Council are aware there have been no accidents at this point.

Notwithstanding this, a building (as Heathcote is (Grade II)) and its demesne are listed when it is of special architectural or historic interest considered to be of national importance and therefore worth protecting.

This point is reiterated within the Milborne St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan which also makes reference to the importance of walls, a contributory element of the character of the conservation area.

The property falls within the Conservation Area, as confirmed within the adopted Milborne St Andrew Conservation Area Appraisal.

In addition, note the recently drafted Milborne St Andrew traffic calming proposal for the A354.

This includes an inbuild opposite the public house which will produce a one-way traffic flow and enhance road safety.

To these ends, the Parish Council OBJECT to this planning application.

- b. P/HOU/2024/01855
The Willows 1 Brooklands Milborne St Andrew Dorset DT11 0LP
Erect single storey rear extension**

The Parish Council supported this application

11. Financial matters

a. Payments for authorisation

There were 7 payments (PV's 1-7), totalling £ 2680.27, that were approved and authorised for payment.

12. Traffic calming project – recommendations

A detailed report from Dorset Council provided a plethora of options.

The working group put forward a proposal comprising of the following:

- a. An inbuild in the Northbound Lane (by the pub). This would provide a one-way system with priority to traffic heading Southbound and a safe pavement for pedestrians, wide enough for buggies and wheelchairs (not currently the case).
- b. Creation of further pedestrian crossing points with dropped curbs and textured edging.
- c. Enhancement and addition of road markings.
- d. Painting of bus cage in layby on the Southbound route
- e. Purchase of a SID for A354.

This matter sits with Dorset Council, but it has been confirmed that the £75K left in the s106 pot from Huntley Down has been allocated to this project.

13. Grant funding for D-Day commemoration

Mr Greening wished to organise a small event for the 06th of June, and requested a grant of up to £50, to support any incidentals.

This was unanimously agreed.

14. Tree works in Village

a. Willow at Memorial stone

Members agreed to the option of removing deadwood and reducing overhanging branches on the Weeping Willow at the Memorial Stone.

The cost of £480 to be met from Green Spaces reserve.

b. Parish Pit

Members agreed to the removal of dead wood at the Parish Pit on health and safety grounds.

The cost of £675 to be met from Green Spaces reserve.

15. New road naming policy

It was agreed to form a policy which included the option of naming roads after the fallen, who names are on the plaque at the Memorial stone.

The Clerk would draft this policy for endorsement at a later meeting.

16. To set up a Working Group to enable a village street sign clear up

Cllr Stephens briefed on this project.

Members unanimously agreed that this was a great idea and approved the working group.

17. Next steps on Conservation Area Appraisal

Members agreed that the project was likely to go no further.

To that end, the draft document was adopted by the Parish Council and will be placed on the website as guidance for members of the public, planners, and Dorset Council that can be referenced in the consideration of future planning matters.

18. Initial discussions on transfer of banking

The Clerk asked if permission could be granted to move to business banking with the setup of a new account with Unity Trust Bank.

Cllr's Greening, Macnair, and Badger agreed to be signatories.

19. Initial discussions on membership of DAPTC

Councillors agreed that all correspondence should be sent to them, in order to establish a view on whether this provides value for public money.

The item would be reviewed at the September meeting.

20. Matters from the Annual Village Meeting

There were no matters to discuss.

21. Parish Notices

It was asked if the overhanging vegetation on the Southbound pavement of the A354 could be removed.

It was suggested that it was reported via the Dorset Council website under roads and pavements.

22. Items for the next meeting

Initial discussion on the grass cutting contract for 2025.

23. Date of next meeting

05th June 2024

Milborne St Andrew Village Hall at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2045 hours.

Richard Macnair

Chair to the Milborne St Andrew Parish Council

