

Wayne Lewin – Clerk to the Parish Council

CERNE VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Full Council held on 13th June 2024 at Cerne Abbas Village Hall

Councillors present:

F. Horsington, J. Bolt, S. Beresford, M. Keating, L. Prowse, C. Crosbie, C. Paul, and K. Marshall.

4 members of the public

Cllr Jill Haynes (Dorset Council)

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1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Burghart sent apologies.

2. Declarations of pecuniary and other interests

Cllr Horsington declared any matters regarding the allotments field.

3. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th May 2024

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

4. Parish Council matters arising

The Clerk confirmed that the Burial Ground fencing had been installed.

The Clerk had also spoken to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, stated that no access had been denied to the war graves as they are both in the old part of the Burial Ground.

5. Update from the Chair

The Chair wished to publicly thank Gary Muskett for time and efforts as a Parish Councillor.

The Chair acknowledged the report sent into the Parish Council regarding flooding in Abbey Street and time ensuring the streets were cleaned prior to Open Gardens.

6. Public Discussion Period

Helen Brown confirmed she was happy to place matters in the Godmanstone noticeboards.

A list of dates would be published after the completion of the AGM.

A question was asked about the Burial Ground Extension fence.

It was confirmed that at some point in the future that a copper beech hedge would be laid.

The installation of the fence was a condition of the purpose of the land by the seller.

It was again noted that no public rights of way had been identified by searches or Dorset Council.

7. To receive a report from the Dorset Council

A report had been received and distributed.

Cllr Haynes updated members on many factors:

The Sydling marathon was taking place over the weekend so likely to be very busy in the area. The new school classroom was more likely to arrive next summer, due to supply chain issues. The PCSO was taken speed checks on Duck Street and found not one vehicle was speeding. However, Dorset Council were to lay speed tubes down over an extended period of time to collect more data.

It was noted that only the police could enforce any speeding issues, and that their limited resources would have to be prioritised.

The better news was the portfolio holder had been on site and had suggested white lines be painted on the road (from the school to the playing field gate) – thus providing the impression of a zebra crossing. It was asked if the Parish Council would support this (see agenda item 12).

Cllr Haynes also mentioned that the parking enforcement team visit the village on the occasions of transiting from Dorchester to Sherborne and in reverse (once the new TRO) had been completed.

8. Financial update

a. Payments for authorisation

There were **12** payments, (**PV's 19-30**), totalling **£ 5451.63**, that were approved and authorised for payment.

9. To receive committee reports and to agree action(s) in response to proposals and repairs

a. Allotments

Cllr Keating confirmed repairs had been completed to one of the taps. The new fencing had been installed along the width of the allotments by the track. A skip was being hired for next week. There were 4 empty plots.

b. Burial Ground

It was noted that 3 interments had or were to be conducted over this period.

c. Car Park

There were no matters of concern other than the inspection report noted there was bird droppings were on the benches. It was noted that the coffee van had not turned up.

d. Children's Play Park

There were no concerns on the inspection report other than the grass needed cutting around the benches and the edging of the jungle mulch around the multiply was frayed. Cllr Crosbie was obtained a contractor for the grass cutting and the Clerk would again contact Dorset Council for a jungle mulch quote.

e. Footpaths and Environment

Cllr Bolt confirmed the Bus Shelter had been repainted and that the cutting of the Chescombe hedge would be discussed at the September F&E meeting. A complaint had been received about the poor condition of trees by the Sydling crossroads. This had been passed onto the Tree Team. It was confirmed that the painted of the telephone box had been delayed until 2025.

f. Planning

i. P/HOU/2024/02542

4 Sydling Road Cerne Abbas DT2 7JT

Erect single store double garage/craft room

The Parish Council support this application.

ii. P/FUL/2024/02340

Land And Buildings Known As Higher Barns Acreman Close Cerne Abbas To Ford

350 Yards East Of Marris Cross Sydling St Nicholas Cerne Abbas Dorset DT2 7JT

Carry out associated operational development in relation to P/PAAF/2021/04303

to install a roller shutter door, a pedestrian door, replace the wall material on the East Elevation to ensure the building is fully enclosed and lockable and install roof mounted solar panels

The Parish Council support this application.

iii P/HOU/2023/05410

4 The Folly Cerne Abbas Dorset DT2 7JR

Erect aluminium and glass veranda

The Parish Council support this application.

iv P/VOC/2024/02808

7 Acreman Close Cerne Abbas Dorset DT2 7JU

Erect single-storey front extension, (with variation of condition 2 of planning permission no. P/HOU/2023/06144 to amend the approved plans)

The Parish Council support this application.

10. Adoption of new Financial Regulations

These were adopted with no amendments.

11. Confirmation of Burial Ground Extension Working Party (for change of use)

The following were nominated as members of the Working Party:

Cllr Horsington (Chair)

Cllr Paul

Mr Bishop.

12. Children crossing on Duck Street

The Parish Council supported the idea of white lines painted on the road (to form the impression of a zebra crossing) to assist the safe crossing of the children from the school to the Play Park.

It was also agreed to review the 20-mph option at a later date after the speed tubes data had been collected.

13. Items for the next meeting

Letter to DWP and DC as to regards weed removal and street cleaning on a given period each year,

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14. Date(s) of next meeting

Full Council
Cerne Abbas Village Hall
12th September 2024

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2021 hours.

Cllr Fred Horsington _____ *Chair of Cerne Valley Parish Council*

Date _____