

# PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

## DRAFT Minutes of a meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors M. Buckland (Chairman), D. Heaver, B. Pye, G. Fry, V. Baker-Sims,  
R. Williams & A. Simon

**IN ATTENDANCE:** C Buckland (Parish Clerk), District Councillor J. Russell, County Councillor R. Coatsworth D. Robbins (Homewatch), A. Lovell (Transport), D. Bird (Footpaths)

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor E. Sinclair & J. Arak- Newman

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

### 3. PUBLIC TIME

Anna Lovell advised that the Annual Beach Clean would be on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015 10am to 12am at West Bexington Beach.

County Councillor Ron Coatsworth reported that the New Waste Site at Broomhill would be operating from July 2015 with the Recycling Centre starting in September 2015.

The Coastal Path at West Bexington – Ian Jackson confirmed details of the proposed clearance of the coastal path west of the West Bexington Car Park. The digger hire from Fowlers would cost £79 per day plus fuel & delivery/collections fees. The digger driver was charging £100 per day making a total cost of approx £575. Councillors agreed to this work being done & it was agreed to approach West Dorset District Council for funds from the “Chalet Fund”.

### 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Council’s meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

### 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

None

### 6. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Councillor Buckland again reminded everyone of the forthcoming Elections in May 2015. There would be an Open Meeting for existing/prospective Parish Councillors on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015 between 7pm & 8pm at Bridport Town Council Offices, Mountfield. The Annual Parish Assembly would be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 7.30pm & it was agreed that it would take the same format as previous years.

### 7. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

#### i. Allotments

Nothing to report

#### ii. Footpaths

Dave Bird had nothing to report

#### iii. Homewatch

PCSO Dave Ash reported that there had been zero crimes in the local area although there had been a break-in at the Modbury Farm Shop the previous week. Janet Jackson would be stepping down as West Bexington Homewatch Coordinator at the end of March but no replacement had been found yet. She was thanked for all her work with Homewatch over the last 6 years.

#### iv. Playing Field Committee

Councillor Heaver had nothing to report.

- v. **Transport**  
Anna Lovell advised that there was nothing to report.
- vi. **Village Hall**  
The Village Hall would be painted after Easter.
- vii. **Bridport Local Area Partnership & DAPTC**  
Councillor Simon had attended the BLAP Steering Committee Meeting & advised that the BLAP Annual Assembly would be on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015 refreshments from 5.30pm for 6.15pm start at Sir John Colfox School – The Speaker would be Lord Teversham. Funding for BLAP was up for discussion with a final decision by January 2016. Councillor Simon proposed that the Parish Council support the work of BLAP.
- viii. **Puncknowle, Swyre & West Bexington Web Site**  
No Report

## 8. PLANNING

### Applications on which the Parish Council were consulted: -

1. **Application No WD/D/15/000042** – Greenhill, Coast Road, Burton Bradstock –Demolition of existing dwelling, garage and associated outbuildings and the erection of a two-storey replacement dwelling house with integral garage/car port and open pool with its associated detached pool building – No Objections but agreed to ask the Planners to consider the impact of the site-lines from the Coastal Path.
2. **Tree Application No WD/TP/15/00040** – Seacroft, Swyre Road, West Bexington - Reduce 3No Willow – No Objections

### Decisions:

- a. Application No WD/D/14/003256 – 2 Springfield, Puncknowle – Erect single storey rear kitchen extension with cloakroom & extended paved patio area. Fit 3no. conservation rooflights - Withdrawn
- b. Application No WD/D/14/003260 – Bradstone, Swyre Road, West Bexington – Remove existing main roof & erect first floor extension. Construct Porch to north-west elevation. 2 /No Velux roof lights over Kitchen - Withdrawn
- c. Application No WD/D/14/002860 – Burts Cottage, Clay Lane, Puncknowle – Erect conservatory to the north elevation of property – Consent Granted
- d. Application No WD/D/14/003293 – 7 Napier Close, Puncknowle – Replace north elevation first floor single light window for a two light escape window– Consent Granted
- e. Application No WD/D/14/003257 – Linden Lea, Beach Road, West Bexington - Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed Use of an existing garden to station a mobile home for use as ancillary accommodation in connection with Linden Lea – Permission Refused
- f. Application Nos WD/D/14/002440 & WD/D/14/002441 – Puncknowle Manor, Puncknowle – Extend first floor of outbuilding, add windows and carry out internal alterations – These applications had gone to Development Control Committee & now had Consent Granted.
- g. Application No WD/D/14/000556 – Ashley Chase Estates, Park Farm, Litton Cheney – Erect chilled cheese store and link building- This application had gone to Development Control Committee & now had Consent Granted.

### Other Planning Issues:

Councillors agreed to ask the WDDC Planning Officers to extend the Permitted Development Rights on the Chalets at West Bexington to include the grass area adjacent to the Chalets (which had been refused permission).

## 9. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- i. The Coastal Path at West Bexington – See Item 3) Public Time

- ii. Councillors Heaver & Fry had rodded the drain outside of the Old Rectory, Puncknowle but this 15 inch pipe was still blocked farther down. Water had been diverted from the garden of the Old Rectory and onto the road which was causing erosion of the verges and the surface of the road. Dorset County Council Highways to be asked to look into this issue.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

A schedule of correspondence received since 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 had been circulated to all Councillors in advance of the Council’s meeting.

**11. FINANCE**

**Payments for Approval: Resolved** that the two invoices listed below be authorised for payment

**Payments for Approval: -**

Mrs Carolyn Buckland (Clerk’s salary February)	£277.04
Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall (Grant agreed in Budget)	£1200.00
Total Cheques	£1477.04

**Other Finance:**

- a. Dorset County Council Members Divisional Fund - £360 Grant - the bench to be placed near the Swyre Bus Stop/War Memorial would be delivered this week. Clerk to chase Dawn Atkins, DCC Highways again re the underground services searches. This bench plus fittings to cost £306.00 plus vat (including delivery) and the remaining grant money be used to purchase a litter bin for the Bus Stop at Puncknowle – this would cost £82.85 plus vat & some of this may have to come out of the Grant money available in the next financial year.

**12. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- i. Elections on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015 – Nomination forms were available “on-line” & had to be returned by 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015
- ii. Because of the Elections - the date of the May Parish Council Meeting would be Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015
- iii. BT Openreach had held a meeting with Swyre residents to look into options for Superfast Broadband in the future. It was agreed to wait until details for Puncknowle were finalised & then meet again.

**13. PUBLIC TIME**

None

**14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Council’s next meeting would take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting ended at 9.15pm.

Signed: .....

Dated: .....