

PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of a meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 4th November 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors M. Buckland (Chairman), D. Heaver, B. Pye, E. Sinclair, J. Arak- Newman, G. Fry & A. Simon

IN ATTENDANCE: C Buckland (Parish Clerk), District Councillor J. Russell, D. Robbins (Homewatch), A. Lovell (Transport)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors R. Williams & V. Baker-Sims, PCSO D. Ash, County Councillor R. Coatsworth & D. Bird (Footpaths)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. PUBLIC TIME

District Councillor John Russell advised that due to cut-backs there would no longer be a Police attendance at Parish Council meetings.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Council's meeting held on 7th October 2014 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

None

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Councillor Buckland advised that there would be a meeting of the Napper Charity Trustees at the end of this main meeting. The Overhanging hedge along the Sewage Works at Rectory Lane, Puncknowle had now been cut back by Wessex Water.

7. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

i. Allotments

Councillor Heaver reported that the Allotment AGM had been held. There were no vacant plots at present.

ii. Footpaths

No Report

iii. Homewatch

Dave Robbins advised there was nothing to report.

iv. Playing Field Committee

Councillor Heaver reported that the matting under the double swings had been repaired. There had been a wasps nest near the picnic tables – this had been dealt with. There had been some stones removed from the wall along Clay Lane.

v. Transport

Anna Lovell advised that the new Bus Time Tables were now available. There would be a meeting tomorrow (Wednesday 5th November) to discuss extending the town bus service to include Bridport Hospital (subject to available funds).

vi. Village Hall

No Report - but concerns were raised re the safety of the large tables in the cupboard.

vii. Bridport Local Area Partnership & DAPTC

The DAPTC AGM would be held this Saturday (8th November at 10am).

viii. Puncknowle, Swyre & West Bexington Web Site

No report

8. PLANNING

Applications on which the Parish Council were consulted: -

1. Application No WD/D/14/002627 – 26 Swyre – Single storey side extension.
Garden Room extension – No Objections

Decisions:

- a. Application No WD/D/14/002097 – Land adjacent Litton Lane, Puncknowle – Construction of secure agricultural storage barn (variation) - Consent Granted
- b. Application No WD/D/14/002195 – Burts Cottage, Clay Lane, Puncknowle –Variation to allow white pvc-u external doors & windows – Consent Granted
- c. Tree Application No WD/TP/14/00304 – Tamarisk Farm, West Bexington – Fell Monterey Cypress trees (2) - Consent Granted
- d. Application No WD/D/14/002032 – Cranford, Swyre Road, West Bexington – Extension and all associated works– Consent Granted

Other Planning Issues:

Application No WD/D/14/002752 – Burton Mere, Coast Road, Burton Bradstock – this application to include a new entrance onto the B3157. All Councillors to look at this application on-line & send comments back to Clerk

9. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) Request for Speed Bumps at West Bexington – this was discussed but it was agreed that this would not be appropriate in the Village.
- b) There was a large “dip” in the road near Dark Lane, Puncknowle – Clerk to report
- c) Church Street & Swyre Road, Puncknowle – There were quantities of grit on either side where the roads had been resurfaced several months ago – Clerk to ask Highways to sweep this grit up.

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A schedule of correspondence received since 7th October 2014 had been circulated to all Councillors in advance of the Council’s meeting.

11. FINANCE

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

Payments for Approval: -

Mrs Carolyn Buckland (Clerk’s salary October)	£271.08
S. Nobes (Website support)	£60.00

Total Cheques £331.08

Napper Charity Account:

BWBS Ltd (Water bill for Allotments)	£49.91
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Other Finance:

- a. Dorset County Council Members Divisional Fund - £360 Grant available on New Projects – Application by 20th November 2014 – 3 suggestions for this fund –included a shed for the Village Hall to store surplus equipment outside, Dog/Litter Bins at the bottom of Knackers Hole Lane & Bull Lane, Swyre & an electronic sign near the Bull Inn to say the number of spaces available at the Car Park at West Bexington (to stop cars driving down & then turning straight around). – Councillors to advise Clerk of other suggestions & costs ASAP.
- b. **SETTING OF BUDGET/PRECEPT FOR 2015/2016**
Following a Budget sub committee meeting on Thursday 30th October 2014 a copy of the suggested Budget had been circulated to all Councillors before the meeting. It was Resolved that the Parish Council’s Budget for the Year 2015/2016 be approved at £9385 with the Local Council Support Scheme Grant set at £158 and the Agreed Precept of £7842 (Making the Total of £8000 available) - See attached sheets.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. There would be a short Remembrance Service at Swyre War Memorial on Saturday 8th November 2014 at 11 am. Extra parking would be made available at the Bull Inn, Swyre
- b. The Village Hall AGM would be held on Tuesday 18th November 2014.

13. PUBLIC TIME

- a) It was reported that the wall of the property behind the War Memorial at Swyre was falling down

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED to note that the Council's next meeting would take place on Tuesday 2nd December 2014 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

This was followed by a short meeting of the Napper Charity Trustees.

Signed:

Dated: