

PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillors G. Fry (Chairman), B. Pye, T. Taylor, J. Arak-Newman, J. Marsh & E. Sinclair.

IN ATTENDANCE: C. Buckland (Parish Clerk), District Councillor J. Russell,
A. Lovell (Transport), N. Arak-Newman (Allotments)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence: Councillors D. Heaver, M. Buckland, PCSO A. Bishop & D. Bird (Footpaths)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Arak-Newman Declared an Interest in Item 7 i) Allotments (As an Allotment Plot Holder)

3. PUBLIC TIME

None

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved that the Minutes of the Council's meeting held on 4th September 2018 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

None

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that he and Councillors D. Heaver & J. Marsh had attended the Dorset Best Village Awards on Tuesday 25th September 2018 at Cerne Abbas Hall.

7. REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

i. Allotments

Nigel Arak-Newman gave the Allotment Report – The Allotment AGM had been held on 27th September 2018 and Jules Hammon had replaced Dave Bird as an Allotment Officer. Plot 15 had been measured and would now be made bigger to make it a full-size half plot. There had been a water leak and a larger than normal water bill had to be paid – it was agreed at the Allotment AGM that £63.02 would be paid from the Allotment Society funds to cover part of this. Trees at the Allotment Orchard would be discussed later. The trees in the boundary hedges would be trimmed back.

ii. Footpaths

Dave Bird had advised that there was nothing to report on Footpaths

iii. Homewatch And Community Police Report

The report from PCSO Alex Bishop was read: There was no crime to report but on Saturday 22nd September a suspicious vehicle was seen parked in a farm gateway at Chilcombe which drove off when spotted. Councillor Arak-Newman advised of footprints in a garden at Hoopers Lane.

iv. Playing Field Committee

Councillor Fry had received a letter from the Lottery Fund asking for further information on the Grant Application. All the monies had now been raised for the Sunken Trampoline (including a Donation of £1000) so this Lottery Grant would not now be needed. Nigel Arak-Newman & Councillor Heaver had worked hard to dig out the area by hand ready for the trampoline. This trampoline to be in position ready to hold an Event on 11th November 2018.

v. Transport

Councillor Taylor reported that the X53 Bus would not be running on Sundays during the winter. The X53 had been running late and missing connections. Double decker buses were not able to go on some routes because of overhanging trees. Seats on the Colfox School Buses (C1 & C2) were also available for use by the general public.

vi. Village Hall

Councillor Sinclair reported that the new boiler had been installed and was working well. Lynda Staddon had applied for 3 Grants. The Village Hall would be redecorated shortly. The Xmas Fayre would be held on Sunday 9th December 2018 - 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm. The Village Hall Committee would be meeting this Thursday 4th October 2018.

vii. Bridport Local Area Partnership

Councillor Fry advised that he had attended 2 BLAP meetings where the Community Planning arrangements under the New Dorset Council had been discussed. The Community Grants would continue and were safe for another 12 months. The Chief Executive for the new Dorset Council (Matt Prosser) was put in post yesterday.

viii. DAPTC

No Report

ix. Puncknowle, Swyre & West Bexington Web Site

The Website still needed to be updated.

8. PLANNING

Applications on which the Parish Council were consulted: -

None

Decisions:

- 1) **Application No WD/D/18/000178** – Sea Campion, Swyre Road, West Bexington – This Application had been discussed at the Development Control Meeting and Consent had been Granted on condition that the Cabin in the garden shall be ancillary to the main residential dwelling and shall not be used as an independent, second residential dwelling or holiday let accommodation.

9. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) Councillor Taylor advised that the 50 meters of piping/drainage works at Swyre (near the Old School House) had finally been completed by DCC Highways. The Chairman thanked Councillor Taylor for his perseverance in getting this problem resolved.

10. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

Still to be completed.

11. ADOPT A TELEPHONE KIOSK SCHEME

It was agreed that the Telephone Box at West Bexington should stay in use because of the poor Mobile Phone coverage in case of an Emergency. Agreed that BT should be asked to maintain all 3 Kiosks.

12. NOTICE BOARDS AT WEST BEXINGTON

It was suggested that a double sided Notice Board be purchased to go on the wall at West Bexington with one side for Public Notices and the other side for Parish Council Notices which would need to be lockable. Councillor Sinclair agreed to look at the available options and circulate details to all Councillors to discuss at the November meeting.

13. WINTER WEATHER PLANNING

Supply of Salt - only a few bags had been used last year so there was no need to purchase any more at the moment.

14. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A schedule of correspondence received since 4th September 2018 had been circulated to all Councillors in advance of the Council's meeting.

15. FINANCE

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

Mrs Carolyn Buckland (Clerk's salary September)	£310.89
Mrs D. Sinclair (Website Management)	£25.00
Total Cheques	£335.89

Napper Charity Account

Water2Business (Water for Allotments)

£114.13

National Society of Allotments & Gardeners Ltd (Subs) – see Other Finance Item c. below

Other Finance:

- a. The Cheque issued in July 2018 to LATCH for the hire of the Hall for the Family Bingo for £28.00 has been cancelled & a new cheque for £23.80 issued in its place.
- b. It was agreed that the Pre-Budget meeting would be held on Tuesday 30th October 2018 at 7.30 pm at the Chairman’s house.
- c. Because some Allotment Fees had yet to be paid it was agreed that the cheque to the National Society of Allotments & Gardeners Ltd (Subs) be authorised up to a maximum of £70.00 – the final amount to be confirmed at the November 2018 meeting.
- d. There had been no correspondence from the New Auditors re the Completion of the 2017/2018 Accounts – Clerk to check with them.

16. INFORMATION ITEMS

Centenary of the First World War - Councillor Taylor advised that Peter Northover had completed a Record of all who had served in the 1st World War - 20 men from Swyre & 27 men from Puncknowle - with a folder to go in the Church.

17. PUBLIC TIME

Anna Lovell suggested asking the Men’s Sheds if they would be able to make a Notice Board. Councillor Sinclair reported that Helicopter Flights were being advertised from the Club House at West Bexington. Concerns were raised about the safety issues so near the Beach Car Park and the Public Toilets - To check with the Civil Aviation.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED to note that the Council’s next meeting would take place on Tuesday 6th November 2018 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm.

Signed:

Dated: