

MOSTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at 7.00pm.

Present; Cllr. Neil Hickman, Cllr Rob Fry, Cllr Angela Bullock, Cllr Jim Cooper, District Cllr Peter Barrowcliff, Vicky Reed (clerk) and 4 members of the public.

2016/0015. APOLOGIES: County Cllr Knox, District Cllr Alford.

2016/0016. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest have been received from all councillors *bar one which is pending*.

2016/0017. PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF ITEMS ON AGENDA

Bus Shelter and Public transport.

1 resident discussed the recent meeting to discuss the changes to the bus service.

The resident asked whether the parish council wrote to the county council to protest about the removal of the bus service. The chairman confirmed that the parish council did not write regarding the protest. As at the last meeting date, the parish council had not received any correspondence about the review. Subsequently, the parish council received an email, and advertised the consultation on the local notice board.

The clerk will speak to County Cllr Knox and ask if there is any more information yet about the rural transport review, which is looking at alternative uses for the social care transport, in between drop off and collection routes. The rural transport review will be included on the agenda of the next meeting.

2016/0018. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS, COUNTY COUNCILLORS AND LOCAL POLICE OFFICER:

Police report

PCSO Bishop reported that the only crime in area since the middle of January was some recent criminal damage to a trade vehicle, during an attempt to steal some tools. PCSO Bishop is now holding his regular surgeries back in the village shop. The next one is tomorrow at 6.30pm.

County Councillor

County Councillor Knox sent her apologies, but asked that the matter of the rural transport review be raised, as per item 2016/0017.

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District Councillors

Cllr Barrowcliff reported the referendum on the possible change of government of the area will be held on 5th May, the same day as the Police & Crime Commissioner elections.

The county council approved their budget at the last full council meeting, having has a significant challenge making it balance. Statutory service will continue to be provided, and the tri-council arrangement continues to provide economies of scale. However funding continues to be cut over the coming years, and the recent removal of subsidy for the bus route is part of this reduction.

2016/0019. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH JANUARY 2016

The minutes were approved, proposed by Cllr Hickman and seconded by Cllr Fry, subject to clarification that the potential closure affect only the youth club in Beaminster, and not the Children's Centre.

2016/0020. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH JANUARY 2016

No items not covered under the agenda.

2016/0021. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION – None at the current time.

2016/0022. HIGHWAYS ISSUES INCLUDING COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Cllr Hickman reported new signs have been installed at the south end of the village, as the older ones were not bright enough.

The parish council continues to lobby for the moving of the village gateway further out of the village; Currently the Highways department have neither the supporting data or funds to justify this. However, the Community Speedwatch is going ahead, and data collected by police, and used to assess the speed through the village. A questionnaire has gone out, and 7 volunteers have been recruited so far. PCSO Bishop reported that once volunteers have been finalised, the parish council will be able to purchase the necessary equipment. the costs is currently approximately £300. This includes high visibility jackets, signage, and speed gun. A meeting will be arranged at which the policies and procedures will be explained, then volunteers are vetted. A maximum of three sites will be identified around the village, which will be risk assessed. The volunteers are trained, and PCSO Bishop will attend the first few session, after which the volunteers will set up a rota.

2016/0023. GRIT BIN PURCHASE

Cllr Hickman has investigated the cost of having a grit bin installed, complete with concrete pad and padlock. The cost of approximately £350.00. This was agreed by the parish council. The owner of the shop Mosterton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2016

is happy for the bin to be situated near the entrance to the shop. Dorset County Council will supply, deliver, install and fill the bin for the first time.

2016/00024 BUS SHELTER

Local residents have requested that a bus shelter be installed, to protect both the public and school children from the elements. It was agreed that the clerk would contact DCC and the bus company and see what the process for the installation of a bus shelter involved. The matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

2016/00025. CORRESPONDENCE INCLUDING PLANNING DECISIONS

Letter from Gil Streets asking for Support for Beaminster Youth Clubs
Letter from Bridport Citizens Advice Bureau asking for financial support
Letter from SSDC Consultation on Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule
Clerks & Councils Direct Newsletter
Letter selling Commemorative Medal 90th Birthday of the Queen

Planning Correspondence

WD/D/16/000332 Churchill Farm, Mosterton DT8 3HJ Outline application for residential development and associated access.

WD/D/15/002749 16 Meadowside, Mosterton Single Storey Rear Extension and installation of domestic heating oil storage tank – Approved.

Tree Applications
WD/TP/16/00043 32 Orchard Way, Mosterton.
Reduce crown of 1 Ash by 15 feet.

The clerk gave a verbal update to the meeting to advise that the new owners of the shop are not in a position currently to go ahead with the introduction of a Post Office counter service, The Post Office is now looking at alternatives.

2016/00026. FINANCE

Financial Status Mosterton Parish Council as at 8th March 2016

Treasurers account

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Payments since last meeting	
Clerk salary January & February (SO)	£ 288.92
Income Since last meeting	
None	
New cheques	
Bid Air Ltd Website	£ 99.84
Allotment rents to church	£ 673.00
Bank balance as at 9 th February 2016-03-07	£17094.21
Balance after above payments agreed	£16,122.41
Amenities account	
Balance as at 9 th December 2015	£4720.66
Interest accruing at rate of approx £0.20 per month.	
Gratuity Account	
Balance as at 9 th December 2015	£ 800.65
Interest accruing at rate of approx £0.03 per month.	

The above payments were approved, proposed by Cllr. Hickman, and seconded by Cllr Fry.

The main meeting closed at 7.45pm.

2016/027. PUBLIC DISCUSSION TO RAISE ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There was a discussion about the land to the northern end of the village where it is proposed that the 30mph signs be relocated to. It is possible that this land is owned by the Fred Young Trust.

There are currently no plans to move the village gateway, despite the fact that both the Highways Dept and the Parish Council would like to. It is hoped that data collected from the Speedwatch initiative will provide supporting evidence to facilitate the move.

The new application for Churchill farm was discussed by residents. There are still concerns about the sewerage system in Mosterton. The landowner has paid for survey to be undertaken. The landowner can pay for the development to be joined to the sewerage system. A concern was raised that the infill of surface water going into the main sewers could cause the pumping station to overflow and back up.

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The discussion ended at 8.30pm.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 10th May 2016 at **7.00pm**.

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