

MOSTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present; Cllr. Neil Hickman (chair), Cllr Angela Bullock, Cllr Dion Shoemark, District Cllr Alford, and County Cllr Knox, and 1 member of the public.

2016/0060. APOLOGIES / DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST / GRANT OF DISPENSATIONS - Apologies were received from PCSO Alex Bishop, Cllr Jim Cooper & Cllr Peter Barrowcliff.

2016/0061. PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF ITEMS ON AGENDA

Resident asked about the 40mph sign at the top of the village, no update at the current time. Data from the speed watch is coming in already, and there seem to be more vehicles speeding coming from the Beaminster end of the village. Once more data is available the parish council will approach the Highways Department about making improvements and implementing traffic calming measures.

1 resident asked how much county and district councillors can earn in their roles.

2016/0062. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS, COUNTY COUNCILLORS AND LOCAL POLICE OFFICER:

County Councillor - Cllr Knox reported on the delivery of social care for Adults and Children. Two thirds of the county council budget is currently spent on social care funding. DCC is working with the Clinical Commissioning Group, to prevent unnecessary hospital admissions. The fire service is helping with preventing slips, trips and falls. All agencies are trying to work together to save money and provide better care in people's own homes.

Cllr Knox reported there has been no decision taken regarding possible closures of GP's surgeries, and that any decision will be ultimately up to the GP's directly. The review group is looking at sharing best practice and trying to prevent unnecessary trips to Dorset County Hospital.

Cllr Knox reported there have been several local road closures, and the timings of some have been adjusted to reduce impact for residents. The Highways Department will inspect and sign off the quality of the road surface once South West Water have completed their current works through the village.

District Councillors – Cllr Alford reported that the local plan which was approved in 2015 included an express statement made by the independent examiner that the county council needed to look at housing numbers, and ensure a 5-year land supply. As a result, DCC is looking at allocations of growth around established towns, in particular in Dorchester and Sherborne, but is not proposing anything in relation to villages. However, at the current calculation falls below the 5-year land supply, and that will have to be taken into account when DCC liaises with developers on when they are likely to apply for permission to grow out existing approved developments. It should be noted that if there is a shortfall in any year, then the planning office must make up the shortfall. There was a discussion about the importance of building the right type of houses, and need to provide homes for younger people and key workers.

Cllr Alford reported that the consultation into the local government structure changes has now closed, and there will be meetings in the new year to consider the proposals for the future.

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PCSO Bishop sent a report by email, as follows:

On the 8th October, it was reported that a number plate had been stolen from a vehicle in Mosterton. However, it is not known exactly when this happened and if this occurred at the home address.

We are aware that there have been scam phone calls in the area, particularly from people purporting to be from BT, claiming that the call recipient has problems with their computer. This is usually to gain access to a computer to 'fix' the issue then charge the person for not doing anything. Or potentially a way of gaining personal information, such as banking details. Please ignore calls like this and hang up.

PCSO Bishop has now been moved to a new area, and a new PCSO has been allocated to cover Mosterton.

2016/0063. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th SEPTEMBER 2016

The minutes were approved, proposed by Cllr Hickman and seconded by Cllr Bullock and signed.

2016/0064. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th SEPTEMBER 2016

Bus Shelter update - Cllr Hickman reported that Richard Burrough and Jim Cooper will arrange to collect the shelter, in the very near future and transport it back for storage until it can be erected in Mosterton.

Play area works – Cllr Shoemark has carried out the repairs listed on the play area inspection report, Cllr Hickman will dispose of the old bin, and Cllr Shoemark will supply a new bin.

Notice board works - Cllr Hickman agreed to contact Mr D Burgess to see if he could repair the notice board as it is now unusable. It was agreed that up to £600 could be spent on effecting the necessary repairs.

Community Speed Watch update – Cllr Hickman reported that the group is now up and running, and some data has already been received back by the group. More volunteers would be useful, and it was agreed to invite a representative from the group to attend the village meeting in May.

2016/0065. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter
2. DCC Budget Setting Guidelines
3. SSDC Historic Environment Strategy Consultation
4. E-mail requesting MPC consider the purchase of a defibrillator. The Parish Council discussed the idea and agreed in principle, perhaps in conjunction with other groups.

It was noted that Mosterton Shop was runner up in the Dorset Best Shop awards.

2016/0066. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- a) **Applications handled since last meeting:** None
- b) **Decisions notified by WDDC since last meeting:** None

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- c) **New applications to be considered:** None, although the clerk has received notification by Boon Brown architects of a pending public consultation regarding an application for Land Behind Whites Meadow.
- d) **Tree Applications:** None

2016/0067. FINANCE INCLUDING BUDGET 2017/2018

Financial Status Mosterton Parish Council as at 8th November 2016

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| Treasurers account | |
| Payments since last meeting | |
| Clerk salary September & October | £ 268.50 |
| Clerks Pension (employee contributions) | £ 23.34 |
| Software | £ 144.00 |
| Income Since last meeting | |
| Precept and LCTS Grant | £5250.00 |
| New cheques/payments | |
| Village Hall Hire | £ 30.00 |
| David Landscapes Play area grass cutting | £ 0.00 |
| Bid Air Website | £ 72.00 |
| V Reed Stationery | £ 46.38 |
| DAPTC Training | £ 65.00 |
| Bank balance as at 5 th October | £22090.67 |
| Balance after above payments agreed | £21731.37 |
| Amenities account | |
| Balance as at 9 th September 2016 | £9,724.04 |
| Interest accruing at rate of approximately £0.20 per month. | |
| Gratuity Account | |
| Balance as at 9 th September 2016 | £ 800.95 |
| Interest accruing at rate of approximately £0.03 per month. | |
| It was agreed that this account would be closed and the funds transferred to the main account as the funds are being paid into the Clerk's pension plan, and no longer need to be held by the Parish Council. | |

The above payments were approved, proposed by Cllr. Bullock, and seconded by Cllr. Shoemark.

The clerk presented a provisional budget for the financial year 2017-2018, and the assumptions behind the figures. The Parish Council agreed to set the budget at £10,500 for the year.

2016/0068 REVIEW OF STATUTORY DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

The following statutory documents were circulated prior to the meeting:

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Standing Orders, Financial regulations, Financial Risk assessment, Freedom of Information Act, Model Publications scheme and Adoption of Electronic Mailing Communications

All were approved, unchanged.

Clerk presented meeting dates for the year 2017 as follows:

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| January 10 th | March 14 th | May 9 th |
| July 11 th | September 12 th | November 14 th |

The above dates were agreed.

The main meeting closed at 8.05pm.

2016/0069. PUBLIC DISCUSSION TO RAISE ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

A resident raised the matter of how much district and county councillors can be paid.

There was a discussion about the restrictions in historic planning applications.

The discussion ended at 8.20pm.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 10TH January 2017 at **7.00pm**.

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