

## **STURMINSTER MARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

**Present:** Chairman Cllr Palmer, Cllr. S Cade; Cllr M Steel; Cllr Jackson; Cllr H Fookes, Cllr L Seare and Cllr Godfrey

Also in attendance: Clerk Mrs Alison Clothier and Dorset Cllr R Cook

**MEMBERS OF PUBLIC** – There were no members of the public present.

1 **APOLOGIES – MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.**

There were apologies from Cllr S Gerry which were accepted by the committee.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

3 **POLICE REPORT**

The reports were circulated before the meeting and are attached as **Appendix 1.**

4 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 were approved as true record of the meeting.

5 **MATTERS ARISING**

A report from the Clerk which had been circulated was read by the Clerk and is attached to these minutes as **Appendix 2.** Ongoing issues from the Clerks Report are:

- i. Playground
- ii. Neighbourhood Plan

6 **AMENITIES AND FACILITIES**

- i Pill Box – it was reported that the interpretation sign is now in place in White Mill car park.
- ii Playground – The works to the playground are ongoing. The playground needs a litter pick.
- iii. Noticeboards –The cork on the board opposite the school will be painted in order to protect the cork.
- iv. Churchill Close Green – the fundraising event took place on the Green on the 18<sup>th</sup> September and it was a successful day.  
A meeting took place between the Parish Council, Sports Association and Football Club. The football club outlined that they would like to see a more formal and regular grass cutting schedule for the Green arranged. The Sports Association would like to hand over management of the Green to the Parish Council. Another meeting has arranged to discuss arrangements and prices for grass cutting. It was agreed to approach neighbouring Town Councils to ask if they have any capacity to share Grounds Maintenance.
- v. Village Greens –
  - Maypole Green – the Highways workman offered to earth the bund but this has now been washed into the road. This will need reinstating in the Spring. There has been a request to the Parish Council that the seats on Maypole Green are moved so that people

	<p>cannot turn on the Green. It was agreed that Dave Miller would be asked to move the seats.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To discuss a strategy for the maintenance of village greens – a meeting to be arranged with Dorset Council to discuss wild flower planting.</li> <li>• To discuss the Sturminster Marshall Village Project – Clerk and Chair met with the member of the public to discuss the project and a proposal was circulated by email to Councillors. To be discussed at the next meeting.</li> </ul>	Clerk
	<p>vi. Johnnies Ditch – new sign in progress</p> <p>vii. Bartons Ground – the new sign was agreed by Eton College and a proof is being prepared. The trees in Bartons Ground have been checked in the tree survey. Awaiting a requote for the fencing. It was reported that garden waste had been dumped in Bartons Ground so it was resolved to write to the neighbouring properties to ask that this does not happen.</p>	Clerk
	<p>viii. Youth Club - two informal games nights have been held which have been a success.</p> <p>ix. Golf Club Driving Range – it was noted this this is a serious complaint and could result in injury therefore the netting needed to be chased up by Highways.</p>	Clerk
	<p>x. Trees – Tree Survey has taken place and a report has been received with the suggested works. Three quotes to be obtained.</p> <p>xi. Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – tree planting in Walnut Tree has been suggested however there may be objections from Historic England due to the SAM status.</p> <p>xii. Remembrance Sunday – the wreaths and poppies have been purchased and Cllr Cade is liaising with the vicar.</p>	Clerk
7	<p><b><u>ENVIRONMENT</u></b></p> <p>i. Drainage Ditches – Moor Lane – some works has taken place but Clerk to establish when the remainder will be done.</p> <p>ii. Anti-Social Behaviour – there have been recent complaints which have been directed to the Police.</p> <p>iii. Electric Car Charge Point – Dorset Council have provided information on how to set up a charge point, which would provide a good income for the Village Hall.</p> <p>iv. Fly Tipping – reported on Dullar Lane</p>	Clerk
8	<p><b><u>TRAFFIC &amp; TRANSPORT</u></b></p> <p>i. A31/A350 – A loose manhole cover was reported on the A350 which has been patched.</p> <p>ii. Highways – no issues reported.</p> <p>iii. Removal of verge at King Street – this has been repaired.</p> <p>iv. Speed Indicator Device – expecting the results from the speeding tubes.</p> <p>v. Surfacing at Stourfield, Back Lane – still awaiting response from Dorset Council.</p>	Clerk
9	<p><b><u>REPORTS</u></b></p> <p>To receive reports from representatives of the following:</p> <p>i. Alms House Charity – the shed is in poor condition but this is being actioned.</p> <p>ii. Memorial Hall – AGM taking place in October</p> <p>iii. Sports Association – next meeting with Football Club to take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	Clerk

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iv P A C T – meeting due in October</li> <li>v DAPTC - meeting in November</li> <li>vi Flood Wardens – nothing to report.</li> <li>vii Dorset Councillor – see <b>Appendix 3</b></li> </ul>	
10	<p><b><u>FINANCE</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i Accounts for payment. To invoices and approve payments as per Schedule of payments. These invoices will be paid via bank transfer and the PDFs of the transfer will be printed out. See Appendix 4.</li> <li>ii. The School Society application was discussed and concerns were raised that the forest school was not yet up and running. It was concluded that on balance the grant would be awarded for the benefit of the children. Clerk to ask for a link on the Governing Body and to recommend Cllr Fookes.</li> <li>iii. The consideration of the bus grant was deferred to the November meeting when further information will be available.</li> <li>iv. Register Of Interest Forms – to be filled in before 30<sup>th</sup> October.</li> <li>v. Bank Reconciliation and Quarterly Report – see Appendix 5. These were approved.</li> <li>vi. It was noted that the £75 of garden vouchers expired in December 2021. These will be spent on a tree.</li> <li>vii. Dates to be circulated for the budget meeting in November.</li> </ul>	Clerk
11	<p><b><u>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. SEA Scoping Report SEA – the Scoping Report is now out for consultation.</li> <li>ii. The Options Consultation event took place on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> September from 3-7pm. Over 120 people attended. The take up on the questionnaires has not been high so far so further promotion will need to be considered and the consultation deadline extended to the end of October. The next round of funding will need to be applied for within the next month. Master planning – this technical package will be applied for.</li> </ul>	Clerk
12	<p><b><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></b></p> <p>Planning Services delays – this was noted  Waste Services disruption - this was noted.  Sign on Stocks Green – the fingerpost on Stocks Green is missing several letters. Clerk to contact AONB team to ask for a quote for repair.  Village Bier – this is now in the possession of the Parish Council. Needs to be repaired so Clerk to ask for quotes.</p>	
13	<p><b><u>PARISH MATTERS</u></b></p> <p><b><u>The Parish Council meeting was suspended at 9.26pm whilst the Planning Committee took place. See minutes 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021 for details.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>The Parish meeting re-convened at 9.17pm</u></b></p>	
14	<p><b><u>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm</p> <p>There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.36</p> <p>Signed _____ Chairman 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021.</p>	

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