

	<p style="text-align: center;">STURMINSTER MARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minutes the Meeting of the Full Council on Thursday 13th July 2023 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall</p> <p>Present: Chairman Cllr Palmer; Cllr S Cade; Cllr M Steel; Cllr H Fookes, Cllr Purtill, Cllr L Seare, Cllr A Godfrey and Cllr J Jackson</p> <p>Also in attendance: Clerk Mrs Alison Clothier;</p>	
1	<u>MEMBERS OF PUBLIC</u> – There no members of the public present.	
2	<u>APOLOGIES – MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.</u> Dorset Cllr R Cook gave his apologies, and these were accepted by the committee.	
3	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> There were none.	
4	<u>POLICE REPORT</u> See Appendix 1.	
5	<u>MINUTES</u> The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 1 st June 2023 were approved as true record of the meeting.	
6	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Churchill Close Green ii. Neighbourhood Plan 	
7	<p><u>AMENITIES AND FACILITIES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Playground – Southern Playground have completed the works including the new basketball hoop and board, surfacing and removal of the shelter. The playground inspection took place and a recommendation has been made to replace the chains and swing seat on the bird nest swing – Southern Playgrounds have quoted £917.40 for this work. It was proposed that this work is undertaken this work and this was agreed. Dorset Council have been chased for surfacing quote. ii. Churchill Close Green – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Football Club lease – Cllr Cade and the Clerk met with John Hart from O’Hara’s solicitors. He highlighted that the change of ownership for the Green has not been registered with land registry. Once this is resolved then a license will be the appropriate way forwards. Clerk contacted Farnfields to ask this to be completed as a matter of urgency. ii. Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund – The pitch inspection has taken place and the soil samples taken. iii. Sports Association – the Sports Association equipment will be sold and the profits will be transferred to the Parish Council. iii. Trees – Highways have contacted Aster regarding the Holme Oak 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>overhanging the road. The Jubilee Tree Plaque was discussed and it was agreed that a plaque would be ordered at a cost of £43.50.</p> <p>iv. Charborough Way Bench – the bench has been relocated.</p> <p>v. Defibrillator at Mapperton – awaiting a response from the Charborough Estate owner. Clerk to write formally to ask for the funding.</p> <p>vi. Actions from Risk Assessment</p> <p>i) Maypole Green Noticeboard – three quotes for the new noticeboards were looked at ranging from £1400 to £2000. Clerk to phone the noticeboard company to find out about installation costs.</p> <p>ii) Churchill Close bench – Clerk to ask Mr Miller to conduct an inspection of all benches on Churchill Close</p> <p>iii) Stocks – Mr Miller to lift and reoil Stocks.</p> <p>vii. War Memorial and RAF Plaque – a quote has been received for a clean of the memorial and plaque for £160. This was agreed. Clerk to write to the owners of Hunters Lodge to inform them.</p> <p>viii. Footpaths – it was suggested that a footpath sign is installed either end of the footpath between Marshall Fisheries to Footpath 1. Clerk to speak to Rights of Way.</p> <p>ix. Memorial Hall – in the discussions regarding the lease of the Green it was established that the land that the Memorial Hall stands on is not registered with land registry. Clerk to ask our solicitor to register this.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8	<p><u>ENVIRONMENT</u></p> <p>i. Drainage Ditches – awaiting works at Moor Lane.</p> <p>ii. Climate Change Action Plan – the following actions have taken place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood Plan – climate change integral to the draft Neighbourhood Plan • Trees – 4 new trees to be planted in Autumn • Suppliers – local supplier used for playground repairs • Electric Car Charge Point – expression of interest completed <p>iii. Fly Tipping – food and clothes dumped in Dullar Lane.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
9	<p><u>TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT</u></p> <p>i A31/A350 – A350 shut for 3 weeks at Blandford St Mary.</p> <p>ii. Highways – a well attended meeting was held on 21st June with Tony Burden from Dorset Council and Cllr Cook in attendance. The 20mph policy was discussed in detail with the community. There was significant interest in setting up a Speed Watch group and after the meeting an email was sent out with the relevant forms. Three completed forms have been received so far. Clerk to send reminder email with deadline of the end of August</p> <p>iii. Extra verge cut – quote received for £460 – this was agreed.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
10	<p><u>REPORTS</u></p> <p>To receive reports from representatives of the following:</p> <p>i Alms House Charity – the rents have been increased. The path at Ginny's Lane is overgrown. Clerk to ask Rights of Way to cut this back.</p> <p>ii Memorial Hall – AGM – new treasurer appointed. Youth Club hoping to start in October. The Youth Club money to be released once it is up and running.</p> <p>iii DAPTC - Eastern Area Committee – suggested that open meeting speakers are from the groups that are awarded grants.</p>	

	<p>v. School – overgrown trees are on Birchmere land. The school has a budget deficit but this is being reduced. Small class numbers were discussed.</p> <p>vi Dorset Councillor – See Appendix 3.</p>	
11	<p><u>FINANCE</u></p> <p>i Accounts for payment. To receive 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.</p> <p>ii. To discuss taking ownership of the Village History Site – this is ongoing.</p> <p>iii. Grants for 2023/24 – the grants were agreed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Hall £700 • St Marys Church £350 • Almer Church £350 • CAB £300 • TIC £300 <p>The Bridge committee application was considered however more complete accounts were needed.</p> <p>iv. Action Plan Quarterly Review – Best Kept Village to be removed.</p> <p>v. To approve Quarterly Report and bank reconciliation – this was examined.</p> <p>vi. Financial Regulations Review – to arrange a review of the Financial Regulations deferred to the September meeting</p> <p>vii. To confirm petty cash income from Church fete - £35.90 is being held in petty cash.</p>	
12	<p><u>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Neighbourhood Plan is out for consultation until 28th July. A public event was held on the 6th July from 2-7pm. Reminder email to be sent out. 	
13	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>Pedestrian Crossing – A350 – this was noted</p> <p>Dog Related Public Space Protection Orders – placed on the website</p> <p>Rural Crime Survey</p>	
14	<p><u>PARISH MATTERS</u></p> <p><u>The Parish Council meeting was suspended at 9.17pm whilst the Planning Committee took place. See minutes 13th July 2023 for details.</u></p> <p><u>The Parish meeting re-convened at 9.48pm</u></p> <p><u>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</u> – Thursday 7th September 2023 at 7.30pm</p> <p>There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.48</p> <p>Signed _____ Chairman 7th September 2023.</p>	

