

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CORFE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2015 AT 6PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr J Harrison (Chairman), Cllr B Lenthall (Vice Chairman), Cllr K Brown, Cllr C George, Cllr D Bradbeer, Cllr J Jackson.

Also present: Cllr J Williams (TDBC), Mr D Royle (Treasurer Village Hall Committee) and the members of the public.

3119. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None received.

3120. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Cllr Harrison, Almshouse Trust.

3121. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 1ST 2015.
The Minutes having been circulated prior to the meeting were accepted and signed as an accurate record.

3122. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES.
FLOODING: Cllrs Lenthall and Bradbeer have monitored the drain as previously discussed and it is working although its connection to other drainage remains uncertain.
HELPING HANDS REGISTER: Cllr K Brown requested this matter be held in abeyance for now as interest from volunteers was poor and recruiting drivers for Corfe Lifts remains a priority.
VILLAGE HALL INSURANCE: Ongoing, Cllr George to report at January meeting.
DEFIBRILLATOR: Cllr Harrison had researched costings after initial recommendation by Trudi Morgan: a cabinet £500+, reconditioned defib £600+, annual service required. Unaffordable for PC so scheme would require fundraising. Village Gateway and S106 spending still requires finalising. Agreed to reconsider in the future if there were a suitable source of funding.

3123. PHASE ONE s106 EXPENDITURE.
David Royle summarised the discussions from the village meeting which resulted in an equipment shortlist of: net climber, zip wire, basket swing, replacement slide, two new springers, cost £15,000 plus delivery/installation figure still pending. Additional items recommended: roundabout seesaw £2895, vertical scramble net, chin-up/parallel bars £1300, for inclusion if final costings allow. Existing slide and springers would be removed. TDBC require submission of basic ideas together with competitive quotes to prove best use of funds. David Royle to approach previous fitter for prices. Cllr Harrison recommended that installation costs should be broken down per item in order that best combination of items could be chosen. Cllr George raised concerns that the PC could face an increase in public liability insurance premiums. Cllr Jackson enquired if TDBC has a system of bulk purchasing for play equipment for the PC to make savings. Cllr Williams explained that it was the responsibility of parishes to source best value, there being only one TDBC employee overseeing recreation facilities.
It was agreed that the final decision on equipment should revert to the Village Hall Committee and Cllr Harrison thanked David Royle for all his work.

3124. PHASE TWO s106 EXPENDITURE.
£13,299 is available for 'Active Outdoor Recreation'. Cllr Harrison had received written confirmation from Compass (developers of Newton Court) that they had no objections to the

expenditure choices of the PC. Cllr Harrison opened discussions to either retain the original contractual terms to spend on outdoor recreation (examples of outdoor static exercise equipment were circulated e.g. 8 items for £8995 with service p.a. £350.) or to approach TDBC with formal request to amend the terms in order to spend the funds in the village/ village hall (e.g. outdoor lighting, patio doors, speed signs). TDBC is aware of Queens Acre's limitations. Cllr George emphasised that the funds should be used for improvements the village actually wants and not spent on items that may not be used. David Royle explained that goal area improvements, cricket nets and netball hoops had also been suggested.

Cllr Williams explained that s106 is a legally binding agreement initially between the landowners and TDBC, and then passed to the developers, to support facilities identified as needed by the village, and must be spent on the intended purposes unless legal changes were made with the agreement of all parties. Cllr Harrison would seek written confirmation from the Hallidays too. Legal costs would need to be borne by the PC/V Hall Committee and advice would be sought from TDBC if these could be covered by the fund itself. Cllr K Brown stated that whilst Phase One was largely resolved, Phase Two remained problematic and a rushed decision on items the village does not really require should be avoided. He recommended pursuing a legal course to challenge the terms, and consideration of another village meeting in due course.

It was agreed that Cllr Harrison and Cllr George would discuss further with Debbie Arscott, TDBC.

3125. REPORTS OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

- PLANNING. Feltham Park Farm – application for approval of reserved matters – appearance, landscape, design, scale of agricultural worker's dwelling. Cllr K Brown stated there had been a significant delay in TDBC providing plans to the Clerk, which had reduced our timeframe for reporting any observations. The design had been repeatedly changed. The proposal's suitability for the site/farm was discussed: raised position on site, visible from road, future felling of surrounding woodland. Corfe PC only a consultee, but view should be recorded.

Cllr William's explained that with a statement of opposition from the PC, and four letters of objection the application would be elevated to a committee decision (presently lies with case officer) (Cllr Williams left the meeting at 6.50pm to attend another engagement) Discussion took place about agricultural ties.

It was agreed that Cllr K Brown would report the continuing concerns of the PC to TDBC.

- HIGHWAYS. Cllr Lenthall reported that cutting had taken place to clear signage, the white line o/s The White Hart had been repainted, though the markings on Mill Lane by the Church were still to be addressed. Cllr Harrison had received a request for a grit bin o/s the pub. The PC would have to purchase a bin, so it was agreed to place some of the village's salt bag provision in the pub car park with the landlord's approval.
- RIGHTS OF WAY. Cllr Bradbeer had received a complaint from a Trull resident/walker of an electric fence across the East Dene Way at Heale. This had been resolved with the farmer and signage was to be provided to assist walkers. Cllr Harrison raised a query regarding a gate off Adcombe Lane which has in the past been padlocked and subject of a diversion/DoE enquiry. Cllr Bradbeer would inspect the location.
- WEBSITE. Cllr George reported that the Facebook page continued to be a good method of communication for village news and events. Adverts were still being received with an annual income for the PC of £150-£200.
- SPEEDWATCH. Nothing to report.
- VILLAGE HALL. Mr D Royle reported that the invoice for the hall's new hot water system had been forwarded to the Clerk. Tickets are available for the Christmas Party.

3126. FINANCE.

Current balance: £7065.49 – includes VAT refund £110.64, TDBC Grants £605, V.Hall £1430.32.
Cheques to authorise: Clerk wages £200, Refund to Clerk: Remembrance wreath £17, Printer ink/postage £33.04. Parsons Landscaping £110.66, St Nicholas Church (TDBC burial ground grant) £140. Mike Brannan (V.Hall) £1716.38.
Total VAT to claim: £304.50

3127. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.

No report received from County Councillor.
Cllr Williams TDBC had to leave the meeting early prior to presenting a report.

3128. CORRESPONDENCE.

- Acknowledgement from Royal British Legion for £17 donation (wreath)
- Recruitment poster from Ambulance Service for new 'First Responders'.
- Notification of death of former TDBC Councillor Cliff Bishop.
- Precept request from TDBC for signing by Chairman and Clerk (£2500 applied for).
- TDBC reviewing Council Tax Support Grant – either keep or gradual phase out by 2018. Annual amount received by Corfe is £131 and a useful contribution that the Parish Council would wish to maintain.
- Highways Dept: 10 20kg sacks of road salt to be collected 21.11.15

3129. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Cllr Harrison had received a complaint about the skip and portaloos outside Church Cottages, but this was removed within 3 days.

Cllr K Brown was concerned about the build up of leaves and fall off from farm trailers on the pavement on the main road causing a slip hazard. Having seen Council leaf clearances in the Holway area it was remarked upon that paying the same rate of Council Tax the village should receive the same service. The Clerk would write to TDBC.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 7.10pm

Date of next meeting – Tuesday January 5th 2016 at 6pm.