

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 4th April 2017 at 7pm in The Club Room of The Old Brewery Hall, Ansty

PRESENT: Cllrs J McGuinness (JM - Chairman) M Walbridge (MW) & E Bridle (EB)

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Smith (Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

1. **WELCOME & APOLOGIES:** Cllrs C Langham (CL - Vice Chairman) R Northover (RN) R Rowe (RR) A Wyld (AW) & District Cllrs Jane Somper & Emma Parker were absent from the meeting.
2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** The Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on the 7th March 2017 had been circulated and were approved unanimously as being a true record and signed by J McGuinness (JM - Chairman).
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST PC MEETING/CLERKS REPORT:** The Clerk is waiting for RR to visit Lloyds Bank in Blandford with the mandate variation request form and his ID. RR can then be added as a signatory on to the PC bank account.
5. **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS:** Both District Councillors were absent from the meeting.
6. **OPEN FORUM:** After a traffic incident in Melcombe Bingham a black marker post, adjacent to the highway had been knocked over. The post has been re positioned by a resident. An issue was raised with JM, prior to the meeting, with regards to a stile on a footpath in Ansty and improving access for a dog. JM agreed to investigate the matter further.
7. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** **2/2017/0443/FUL – Malthouse Business Units, Ansty Lane, Ansty –** carry out building works to convert business units into 2 dwellings. **Agreed by all Cllrs.** **2/2017/0447/CATREE – Holly House, The Knapp, Hilton DT11 0DF –** fell Eucalyptus and another unknown species. **Agreed by all Cllrs.** **2/2017/0306/FUL – Lower Farm, Hilton –** erect telecommunications equipment, access gates & chain linked fence. **Agreed by all Cllrs.** **PLANNING DECISIONS:** **2/2016/0552/FUL -** Rear of Little Hatherley Bungalow, Coniger Knap, Higher Ansty – all weather turnout/manege, stable & feed room (equestrian) – **approved by NDDC.** An email had been received by the Clerk with regards to the number of caravans situated on the site at Brewery Farm, Ansty and the absence of a screening hedge. It was suggested that the number of caravans and hedge do not seem to comply with the original planning permission granted. Cllr Somper has investigated the matter further, NDDC planning enforcement have confirmed that the original planning conditions are being met and that the site is as it should be – **no further action required.**
8. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**
 - 8.1 **CHEQUES TO BE AUTHORISED:** The following cheques were signed –
£230.58 S Smith - Clerks wages & expenses for March 2017
£53.24 C Langham – litter pick BBQ
 - 8.2 **NATIONWIDE – BENEFIT ACCOUNT:** The Clerk has visited the Nationwide in Blandford and obtained the forms to update the PC contact details and to delete/add signatories. The form needs to be signed by the 3 current signatories (2 of whom are no longer on the PC) The Clerk will obtain the 3 signatures needed and send the forms to Nationwide for action.

9. MATTERS ARISING:

9.1 HIGHWAYS & RIGHTS OF WAY: Fly tipping in the surrounding villages is still an ongoing problem. Cllr RR is chasing up several reported incidents with Dorset Waste Partnership. The village litter pick had taken place in March with approx 25 volunteers taking part. Two Landrovers were filled with the rubbish collected. Afterwards a BBQ was held to thank the volunteers.

9.2 CLERKS EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT: A final copy of the Clerks employment contract was signed by the Clerk and JM.

9.3 ITEMS FOR THE PC AGM IN MAY: The Clerk agreed to ensure that the May PC AGM was mentioned in the May edition of the Village News. A guest speaker from the Dorset & East Devon National Park Team has been invited to attend. It was agreed that the speaker will be asked to give a short (5-10mins) talk and then answer some questions the PC/public may have after.

10. CORRESPONDANCE: All correspondence had been emailed to Councillors ahead of the meeting for consideration. An email has been received from The Dorset Local Access Forum re the Definitive Map 2026 cut off deadline. From the 1st April 2017, all tree works applications will appear online (Dorset for You) and the Parish Council will no longer be consulted directly on tree work applications and conservation area notifications. Feedback can still be given and submitted by the Clerk online. JM has agreed to attend the DCC planning training being held on the 5th April at South Walks House, Dorchester.

11. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA: PC AGM & APM.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 2nd May 2017 @ 7.00pm, The Old Brewery Hall, Ansty.

End of ordinary business

Signed(Chairman) Date