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*Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm – at Elworthy Church Hall, Winterborne Monkton*

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**1. PRESENT & APOLOGIES:**

**Present:** Chair – Ms Jenny Webster. Councillors: Mr Charles Norman, Mr Graham Brant, Mr John Trent, Mr Raymond Williams, Mrs Suzanne Mcsevney, Mr Roger Holehouse, Mr Alec Walters  
Dorset Council: none

**Clerk to the Parish Council:** Andrew Harrison. **Apologies:** Mr Roland Tarr

**Members of the public:** none

**2. ELECTIONS**

- 2.1. Election of chair - Cllr Webster informed the council that she was willing to be nominated to stand again as chair. There were no other nominations. Proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Brant, carried unanimously.
- 2.2. Election of vice-chair – Cllr Norman informed the council that he was willing to be nominated to stand again as vice-chair. There were no other nominations. Proposed Cllr Brant, seconded Cllr Mcsevney, carried unanimously.

**3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.**

- 3.1. Cllr Williams regarding item 9.5

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – no members of the public were present.

**5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** of 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The minutes were accepted by the council and signed by the Chair.

**6. MATTERS ARISING**

- 6.1. Cllr Brant informed the council that the area around McDonalds at Monkey's Jump continued to be a mess in wet weather and that motorists were still trying to park atop the earth bunds which were evidently not always as effective as had been intended. Cllr Williams noted the previous discussions about the sale of the ransom strip between McDonalds and the roundabout, but asked if there were potentially options for Dorset council to rent or lease it to the franchise operator instead.

**7. DORSET COUNCIL UPDATE**

- 7.1. Mr Tarr was not able to attend the meeting and no update was provided.

**8. PLANNING, ROADS AND FOOTPATHS**

- 8.1. Major planning application - land north of Littlemoor Road. There was some discussion on this matter and the offering of land to the east of the site for sale. The clerk was asked to write to Dorset council as planning authority regarding the section 106 monies and the presence on the site of flammable Kimmeridge clay and blackstone, requesting a reply.
- 8.2. Major planning application - Whitcombe stables. The clerk informed the council that he had spoken with Aidan Meredith, senior enforcement officer at Dorset council. Mr Meredith informed the clerk that the council and their legal advisors were of the view that the situation at Whitcombe was likely a

breach of planning conditions, but that this needed to be further explored clarified before a definitive decision could be made. Mr Meredith did further inform the clerk that he would be sending a planning contravention notice to the site owner to establish the type of occupancy for each building. Not responding to a planning contravention notice is an offence under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and Mr Meredith noted that the site owner would be required to reply to him within twenty-one days of receipt of the notice.

The clerk also contacted Emma Telford regarding the extant planning application. Ms Telford replied that she was still waiting to hear from the agent regarding withdrawal of the application.

Cllr Walters noted that while activity on the site had stopped, it had then started again. Residents of Whitcombe continued to have parcels addressed to dwellings at the stables erroneously left on their doorsteps.

- 8.3. Dorset Council planning forum meeting for town and parish councils. The clerk informed the council that there would be an in-person meeting at the Dorford Centre, 11:00-13:00 on Friday 27th May. Cllr David Walsh (planning portfolio holder) and senior officers would be there, and representatives from parish councils would be able to speak to officers and raise questions. Cllr Brant indicated that he would be willing to attend.
- 8.4. A352 at Whitcombe. There was no further update. Cllr Walters noted that there had been a couple of accidents in recent months.
- 8.5. South Winterborne stream – discharge of sewage. The clerk had obtained the groundwater discharge figures for the Martinstown pumping station for 2021 and shared these with councillors alongside the same figures for 2020. Cllr Norman stated that he believed that any discharge between September 2021 and January 2022 had gone into the ground between Ashton and Monkton, noting that the stream did not flow at Monkton until New Year's Day. The clerk was asked to write to Wessex Water and the Environment Agency to inform them of this.

## 9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

*Full details of planning applications and decisions can be viewed at:*

<https://planning.dorset.gov.uk/online-applications/>

- 9.1. P/FUL/2022/01847 – Change of use of agricultural land to cattery (sui generis), including construction of timber clad wooden structure comprising store and 16 individual pens, COOMBE FARM, CHAPEL LANE, WEYMOUTH DT3 5NB. WFPC objected on 13<sup>th</sup> April, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.2. P/FUL/2022/00864 – Erect semi-permanent siting of marquee, service tent and w/c trailer for events, CAME HOUSE, CAME PARK ROAD, DORCHESTER DT2 8NU. No objection from WFPC, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.3. P/RES/2021/04983 - Application for approval of reserved matters for access, layout, scale, appearance and landscaping in relation to outline applications WD/D/16/000739 and WP/16/00253/OUT, LAND TO THE NORTH OF LITTLEMOOR ROAD. WFPC commented on 10<sup>th</sup> January, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.4. P/HOU/2021/03329 – Erection of two storey extension, 27 CHAPEL LANE, WEYMOUTH DT3 5NA. No objection from WFPC, approved 7<sup>th</sup> March. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.5. P/HOU/2021/00941 and P/LBC/2021/00942 - Insertion of dormer window to the eastern roof slope, alterations to service staircase and internal and external alterations to create additional bathrooms, HERRINGSTON HOUSE, WINTERBORNE HERRINGSTON. DORCHESTER DT2 9PU. No

objection from WFPC, application 942 granted 23<sup>rd</sup> March, application 941 withdrawn 23<sup>rd</sup> March. [\[941 link\]](#) [\[942 link\]](#)

- 9.6. **WD/D/20/000864** - Modification of Section 106 Agreement dated 23 May 2018 on planning approval WD/D/17/001808, DEWFLOCK FARM, WINTERBORNE MONKTON, DORCHESTER, DT2 8NP. No objection from WFPC providing previous conditions had been met, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.7. **WD/D/19/003081** - Convert existing redundant agricultural traditional barn to form 3 no. dwellings - Variation of condition 1 of planning approval WD/D/17/001808, DEWFLOCK FARM, WINTERBORNE MONKTON, DORCHESTER, DT2 8NP. No objection from WFPC providing previous conditions had been met, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)
- 9.8. **WD/D/19/001772** - Change of use to holiday village to consist of use of existing buildings as holiday accommodation, restaurant and spa and use of land for parking. Outline application for the erection of extensions to existing buildings, new build holiday accommodation, cycle hire/store and indoor leisure facility (with details of access, layout and scale, all other matters are reserved), WHITCOMBE MONYMUSK RACING STABLES, WHITCOMBE DOWN ROAD, WHITCOMBE, DORCHESTER, DT2 8NY. WFPC objected, application undetermined. [\[link\]](#)

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1. Dorset community governance review – Cllr Holehouse and Cllr Brant had continued to be involved in discussions about this and had also attended a meeting with Dorset council officers. There was a requirement for a response to sent to Dorset council’s proposals by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, which the clerk undertook to do.
- 10.2. Code of conduct – the clerk informed the council that he had circulated a copy of the new code of conduct to councillors. It was hoped they would be able to review the document at a future meeting.
- 10.3. Bincombe memorial garden. Cllr Brant had recently attended a meeting about the Bincombe memorial garden, an area of land around one of the relief road balancing ponds, which volunteers have been keeping clear of weeds and so on. Cllr Brant reported that they have asked if any help might be forthcoming from WFPC with this. There was some discussion about this. With no personnel and very limited monies, the parish council was very limited in what it could offer. There might be potential to fund a notice board, but this would need to be sited within the parish of Bincombe, with the permission of the relevant landowner. The parish council would not be able to fund or be responsible for the upkeep of any notice board.

## 11. INTEREST AND INFORMATION

- 11.1. There was some discussion about Ironman and the Tour of Britain.

## 12. TREASURERS REPORT

- 12.1. Accounts 1<sup>st</sup> February – 30<sup>th</sup> April – these were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.
- 12.2. Annual accounts 2021-22, the clerk presented the accounts for the previous financial year. Proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Holehouse, carried unanimously.
- 12.3. Annual return – governance statement. The clerk presented the governance statement for the previous financial year. Proposed Cllr Holehouse, seconded Cllr Norman, carried unanimously.
- 12.4. Annual return – accounting statement. The clerk presented the governance statement for the previous financial year. Proposed Cllr Walters, seconded Cllr Mcsevney, carried unanimously.

- 12.5. Payment – BHIB Insurance - £275.22. The clerk informed the council that the insurance premium was unchanged from the previous year. Proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Holehouse, carried unanimously.
- 12.6. Payment – DAPTC – Changing Chairs training - £25.00. Proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Brant, carried unanimously.
13. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August.**

*The meeting closed at 20:45 (8.45pm).*

<p><b><u>The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at Winterborne Monkton, commencing 19:00 (7pm)</u></b></p>
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