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Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 15th February at 7.00pm – at Upwey and Broadway Memorial Hall

1. PRESENT & APOLOGIES:

Present: Chair – Ms Jenny Webster. Councillors: Mr Charles Norman, Mr Graham Brant, Mr Raymond Williams, , Mr Roger Holehouse, Mr Alec Walters, Mr John Trent, Mrs Suzanne Mcsevney
Dorset Council: n/a

Clerk to the Parish Council: Andrew Harrison. **Apologies:** n/a

Members of the public: Five members of the public

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.

2.1. No declarations were made.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – no members of the public were present.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING of 16th November 2022. The minutes were accepted by the council and signed by the Chair.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1. It was generally agreed that any matters arising were covered under the agenda.

6. DORSET COUNCIL UPDATE

6.1. Mr Tarr did not attend the meeting. It was felt generally that there were items on the agenda that would have benefited from his input, especially with members of the public present. The clerk was asked to clarify future meeting dates with Mr Tarr.

7. PLANNING, ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

7.1. Community governance review. The clerk set out the draft recommendations relating to the council:

- Dorset council supported the parish council's argument with regard to the new Littlemoor Road development and proposed moving it into a Weymouth town council ward;
- they did not support the parish council's argument that the area around Nightingale Drive would need to be retained for the parish council to remain viable;
- they subsequently recommend the renaming of the Littlemoor WTC ward to Littlemoor and Preston West, and the renaming of the Preston WTC ward to Littlemoor and Preston East;
- Littlemoor and Preston West would be subsequently expanded to take in Nightingale Drive and the area allocated to the new development;
- they supported the parish council's recommendations regarding Maiden Castle and Loscombe.

Cllr Holehouse set out history and context for members of the public present. There was some discussion about this and local accountability for such changes, both within the council and with the members of the public present.

Cllr Brant read out the contents of a letter he had written to Chris Loder MP, and his reply. There was further discussion with the members of the public present.

Cllr Holehouse concluded that he was disappointed that Dorset council had neither understood nor appreciated the nuance of the parish council's response. Nightingale Drive should not be considered in the same fashion as the area north of Littlemoor Road; people already lived there and, following the proposed changes, would be left with a mish-mash of governance arrangements facing in different directions.

- 7.2. Major planning application - land north of Littlemoor Road. The clerk informed the council that he was not aware of any substantial news regarding this development, but councillors may have noticed the erection of hoardings along Littlemoor Road.
- 7.3. Major planning application - Whitcombe stables. The clerk explained the context of the recent variation of condition applications, set out in a letter from CL Planning. The unanimous view of the council was that it was not acceptable to seek to regularise the planning breaches at this site, given the past problems and issues raised, as well as the fact that a planning contravention notice had been issued.
- 7.4. A352 at Whitcombe. Cllr Walters noted that there had been two recent accidents along this stretch of road. He also noted the presence of ash dieback in the trees towards the Came end of the cutting, which Dorset council had confirmed as being their responsibility to deal with. Mr Tarr was not present so was unable to update the council as to whether he had been able to meet with police and crime commissioner David Sidwick.
- 7.5. South Winterborne stream – discharge of sewage. Cllr Norman informed the council that sewage was being regularly discharged into the stream from the Martinstown pumping station, and that Martinstown parish council were currently objecting to new development in their area due to the lack of sewer capacity. He added that Wessex Water had upgraded the pumps but to no avail, and were potentially considering the installation of a reed bed filtration system adjacent to the pumping station.

Cllr Brant added that some works at the pumping station were due to begin imminently, although he was not sure precisely what these were.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

<https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/>

- 8.1. **P/FUL/2022/02471** - Change of use of agricultural land to pop-up campsite for 56 days per year permanently, BINCOMBE BUMPS CAMPSITE, CAIUS COPSE, BINCOMBE, WEYMOUTH DT3 5PT. WFPC objected, application withdrawn. [[link](#)]
- 8.2. **P/HOU/2022/05102** - Minor external alterations to west facing thatched veranda, alternative external metal stair, installation of acoustic fence, replacement SVP and rainwater goods on rear/northern elevation, repairs to southern chimney, installation of rapid charging unit, OLD CAME RECTORY, WINTERBORNE CAME, DORCHESTER DT2 8NX. No objection from WFPC, granted 14th December. [[link](#)]
- 8.3. **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](#)]

- 8.4. **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](#)]
- 8.5. **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. OTHER BUSINESS

- 9.1. **Online banking** – The Chair informed the council that Cllr Brant had requested that the council consider the adoption of online banking to permit the use of electronic payments instead of cheques. The clerk had prepared an options paper for this, which he set out. Option three (the adoption of online banking, with delegation for the clerk to raise requests for payment that would be approved by the existing account signatories) was proposed by Cllr Norman and seconded by Cllr Brant, carried unanimously.
- 9.2. **DAPTC councillors networking event** – There was some discussion about this event, which would cost £75 to attend. Cllr Brant expressed an interest in attending, this was proposed by Cllr Norman and seconded by Cllr Mcsevney, carried unanimously.

10. INTEREST AND INFORMATION

- 10.1. No matters were raised.

11. TREASURERS REPORT

- 11.1. **Accounts 1st November – 31st January** – these were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.
- 11.2. **Payment – clerk salary (annual) - £1896.00** – proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Holehouse, carried unanimously.
- 11.3. **Payment – clerk PAYE (annual) - £474.00** – proposed Cllr Norman, seconded Cllr Mcsevney, carried unanimously.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 17th May.

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

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 17th May at Elworthy Church Hall, Winterborne Monkton, commencing 19:00 (7pm)