

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 29th July 2023 at 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Cllr Andrew Brewer (Chairman), Cllr David Harris, Cllr Terrie Connor, Cllr Scott Beeby, Cllr Robert Light, Cllr Gary Childs and Cllr Gary Joynson
Cllr Nick Ireland
5 members of the public

PUBLIC DISCUSSION – A member of the public requested Dorset Council cut the grass which is growing out of the kerbs along Warmwell Road. It was also reported that the lights on the bollards were not working. Cllr Nick Ireland confirmed he would report both matters to Dorset Council.

Mr Burgess was concerned about the dead tree in Combe Way. The exact location was provided to Cllr Ireland who would report to Dorset Council. Dorset Council maintain the grass at the top section and it is assumed that the tree is in their ownership. The Clerk would inform Magna Housing and Dorset Council. It was hoped that the tree officer could resolve this issue and ensure the area is safe for the community. (Post Meeting Note Dorset Council stated tree not in their ownership and refer to previous caution placed on land by Parish Council.) At one stage Parish Council had considered taking ownership of this land but had decided against it.

The continuing issue of dog mess was debated. Cllr Childs reported that Dorset Council are considering using drones to support enforcement of owners and their dogs. It was noted that signs to encourage dog owners to pick up their mess were placed around the village to raise awareness. Cllr Brewer would continue to help educate dog owners through the Council's communications platforms.

REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR – Cllr Ireland reported that the barge had now arrived in Portland. Those occupying the barge will already be in the decision making process for asylum <https://news.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/2023/07/06/latest-statement-on-asylum-seeker-berge/> Portland Port incinerator would be appealing the proposal construct an incinerator <https://portlandassociation.co.uk/the-portland-incinerator/>. There followed a debate about the ageing population and the issues with looking after our elderly. Plans to support the elderly leaving hospital with no support are being proposed for the Old Damers School site, Dorchester. Dorset Council news link: <https://news.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/>

REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER. The Clerk would distribute the report when available from PCSO Alison Donnison. Residents encouraged to report Police matters to enquiries@dorset.pnn.police.uk

AGENDA

- 1. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE QUORUM**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr D Clippingdale.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
 - a) In Items on the Agenda
Members are obliged to declare personal and prejudicial interests
Nothing declared
 - b) Of gifts of value of more than £50
Members also have a duty to declare gifts exceeding £50 in value
Nothing declared

3. CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 29th June 2023

It was proposed by Cllr Connor seconded by Cllr Childs and approved unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29th June 2023 be approved as a true record and duly signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA (FOR REPORT ONLY) Cllr Childs had provided a report to Councillors with regard to the overgrowth near Yalbury Lane which included recommendations.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To note Planning Decisions received from the Planning Authority

To note Planning Enforcement Complaints received by the Planning Authority

To consider the status report from the Planning Authority

- a) Planning application P/RES/2023/04131 Proposal: Erection of 91 no. holiday homes named Dundas Bay & Deansly Point, along with associated boat stores, bin stores, ancillary buildings, community buildings, communal areas, landscape, infrastructure together with other operations including access roads (reserved matters application to determine appearance, landscaping, layout & scale following the grant of outline planning permission number 1/D/13/001112) Location: Dundas Bay & Deansly Point, Silverlake, Crossways, Warmwell Road – No Objections
- b) Planning application P/HOU/2022/02873 Proposal: Erect single storey front extension Location: 11 Airfield Close, Crossways, Dorset DT2 8TN – No Objections
- c) Planning application P/NMS/2022/03315 Proposal: Amendment to planning permission P/RES/2021/03078: Alteration to flue position Location: 14 Shepperd's View, Silverlake, Warmwell Road, Dorchester – No Objections
- d) Planning application P/HOU/2022/03637 Proposal: Erect Single Storey side extension and convert garage to annex Location: 4 School Drive, Crossways, Dorset DT2 8WR – No Objections
- e) Planning application P/HOU/2022/03785 Proposal: Extension to existing rear extension. Location: 27 Airfield Close, Crossways, Dorchester DT2 8TN – No Objections

6. AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Play Areas Update
Councillors agreed to update all of the play area signage this included some new “Please take your litter home” signs. Councillors confirmed that all play areas were “No Ball Games” zones. Platinum Park Play Area is suitable for Children 12 years old and under and Middle Hill, Clyffe Play Area and Alan Gordon Play Area are all for 5 years and Under. Cllr Light confirmed he would be happy to put up all the signs. Cllr Beeby would erect the litter signs.

RESOLVED that the Clerk would order the new Play area signs and the litter signs. Cllr Beeby suggested signs included the emergency contact 999. The contact for the council would be crosswayspc@outlook.com

7. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk confirmed that all correspondence had been reported to Councillors or had been dealt with on the meeting Agenda.

8. FINANCE AND PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

a) Expenditure since 29 June 2023

Date	Transaction No	Payment to	Payment Description	Total (inc)	VAT
01/07/2023	38	The Bridge	The Bridge donation (29/6/2023 - Minutes 8.b)	£600.00	£0.00
07/07/2023	40	British Gas	Gas Bill - pavilion	£60.52	£2.88
13/07/2023	41	HSBC	Bank charges	£8.00	£0.00
14/07/2023	42	DAPTC	Subscription charges INV 1354 for 2023-2024	£860.39	£0.00
17/07/2023	43	DAPTC	Underpayment by £0.50 on INV 1354	£0.50	£0.00
19/07/2023	44	Dorset Waste Partnership	DWP DD - Wheelie bin rental/collection Sports Field (140ltr), Mem Park (140ltr), and Park Entrance 240ltr - Jun 2023	£41.76	£0.00
21/07/2023	45	British Gas	Electricity bill - pavilion	£48.87	£2.33
23/07/2023	46	Linda Beeby	Emergency Tape to cordon off felled tree in memorial park - Screwfix invoice from Scott Beeby - A12645152108	£9.99	£1.67
TOTALS				£4,075.93	£6.88

Income since 29 June 2023

16/07/2023	Interest (A/C 11726560)	£ 2.66
22/07/2023	Interest (A/C 41408887)	£ 24.27
Total income		<u>£ 26.10</u>

Total Expenditure this Financial Year

£ 16,984.91*

Total Income this Financial Year

£ 43,731.24

Account balances as at 27 July 2023

A/C 41408887 - Money Manager Account	£ 18,949.87
A/C 41408879 - Community Account	£ 69,887.95*
A/C 11726560 - Sports Field account	£ 2,074.30
Total balance	<u>£ 90,912.12</u>

*The sub-total includes those payments listed above and due to be taken on 27 July 2023.

The summary of this report, plus any other payments authorised at the meeting to be included within the Minutes will include totals but will exclude any details of any personal payments to employees.

b) Council approved a new laptop for the Clerk the budget was agreed to be no more than £1,000.

Approval was given by all Councillors to purchase a new laptop as the old one was no longer fit for purpose.

c) Clerk confirmed the Announcement of the Notice of public rights and publications of unaudited annual governance and account ability return accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 ended on the 21st July 2023. The notice had been publicised from the 9th June 2023.

9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES (Information Only)

- a) Cllr Harris reported that the Wellbeing Fair was a great success. The Police were dealing with an incident regarding vegetation being cut down on the centre's land by a neighbour. The WI's Platinum jubilee tree had been planted alongside the Dave Cheffey Memorial Bench in Green Lane on land forming part of the Youth Centre and field. The Clerk confirmed that tree planting season was best between November and March both trees for the Coronation and Platinum Jubilee for Crossways Parish Council would be purchased end of October ready for planting in November 2023.
- b) Cllr Brewer reported that Will Vicary would be attending the September meeting to present on the Silverlake 1 application. Cllr Brewer reported that the major change is in the number of units. The previous application was for 72 units and the new application will be for 91. The density is well below permanent housing levels and takes us back to the first Village in terms of a sloping site terraced down to the lake. The group are very excited with the layout and new designs and look forward to bringing it to the market.
- c) Cllr Brewer gave further update on the continuing vandalism and anti social behaviour problems at the Village Hall. He asked all to continue to monitor and report any suspicions either to him or Dorset Police.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Cllr Brewer had received contact from Silverlakes regarding the display of the remaining artefacts and installations relating to RAF Warmwell and had been in contact with Antony Cooke and Rick Pemberthy who were willing to assist with this project. He had also been advised that the Gremlin Mural was still safely stored and asked if it was still the intention for it to go into the new Village Hall. The Council endorsed Cllr Brewer's response that it was still the hope that this would happen but the timescale was not yet none.
- b) Cllr Childs reported an area of the Tennis Court surface was starting to fail. He would look into how much a patch repair would cost.

11. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting was due to be held on Thursday 28th September 2023

There being no other business the Chairman thanked Councillors and public for their attendance and input and closed the meeting at 8.20 pm

POWERS DURING THE SUMMER BREAK DELEGATED TO CLLR BREWER and CLLR HARRIS

Proposed Cllr Beeby, Seconded Cllr Connor - AGREED

Signed.....Chairman.....2023