

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2025 at 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Cllr A Brewer (Chairman), Cllr D Harris, Cllr G Childs, Cllr R Light and Cllr Terrie Connor.

2 members of the public

Cllr Nick Ireland – County Councillor

Clerk – Emma Selway

AGENDA

1. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE QUORUM

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Scott Beeby, Cllr Gary Joynson, Cllr David Clippingdale. The Clerk confirmed the meeting was quorate.

2. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A resident expressed concerns over the condition of the road surface of the West Links Road and Mount Skippet Way which he believed had been scheduled for attention the previous year. Councillors confirmed that the Developers will be making the West Links Road surface good once they have finished building. Cllr. Ireland would investigate the situation regarding Mount Skippet.

Cllr Harris confirmed that the clothing bank that until recently near Premier Stores on private land and had been removed. Councillors were concerned that bags of clothing were still being left presenting a health and safety hazard. Alternative facilities for disposal could be found at the Co-op in Warmwell Road.

3. REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER The Clerk had distributed the report forwarded from PCSO Alison Donnison. Residents were encouraged to report to the Police enquiries@dorset.pnn.police.uk.

4. REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR –

Cllr Ireland confirmed he would check the highway resurfacing list to find out when the surfacing would take place in 2025.

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/news/preventative-treatments-for-more-dorset-roads->

Cllr Connor expressed concerns over the dust and debris that is coming from the development west of Frome Valley Road, Crossways – WD/D/19/001447. This is already causing concern to residents who are unable to open their windows or place their washing outside due to constant dirt and dust. It was felt this would only get worse with the approach of the warmer summer weather. Clerk to report concerns to Planning Officer.

5. RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST for items on the agenda below, including. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests that members may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with the Localism Act 2011 Section 33 (b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations) None.

6. CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 27 February 2025

It was proposed by Cllr Harris seconded by Cllr Light and approved unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 February 2025 be approved as a true record and duly signed.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA (FOR REPORT ONLY)

No matters arising

8. 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/HOU/2025/01169 Proposal: Replace existing conservatory with flat roof extension. Internal changes. New windows & doors. Solar panels to garage. Location: 22 Woodsford Road, Crossways, DT2 8UU. Support
- b) Planning application P/VOC/2025/01102 Proposal: Erection of 91 no. holiday homes named Dundas Bay & Deanesly 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) - with variation of conditions 1 & 3 of planning permission P/RES/2023/04131 to amend approved drawings & landscaping) Location: Dundas Bay & Deanesly Point, Silverlake, Crossways. Support
- c) Planning application P/OUT/2025/01234 Proposal: Hybrid planning application comprising outline application for up to 145 no. dwellings, open space, landscaping & associated infrastructure with all matters reserved except principal means of access to the highways. Full application for a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) and associated landscaping. Location: Land west of West Link Road, Crossways. Objecting on the grounds of infrastructure, services, and facilities. The Parish Council will also be highlighting the lack of community engagement. Dorset Council planners had already confirmed the land lay outside of the Defined Development Boundary (DDB) and was not earmarked for housing.
- d) Planning application P/FUL/2025/0092 1Proposal:The erection of a temporary Restaurant to supply Food & Beverage at Silverlake under class E(b); along with associated paths, floating pontoon and gangway, parking, office, bin store, canteen, and services. Location: Silverlake, Warmwell Road, Crossways. Support

9. ITEMS

- a) Sports Pavilion update on installation of key safe boxes and approve external painting.
The Chairman wished to thank Cllr Beeby for his support with the installation of the key safe boxes. The Chairman confirmed Mr John Parrott will resolve the locking of the garage door this week. The Chairman and Gary Childs agreed to move the boxes to the loft in the next couple of weeks. The Clerk would chase

up the maintenance to the Skate Park with the company who installed the Skate Park (Maverick – Poole)

- b) Update on ownership of land - Trees at Combe Way alongside Crossways Court.

Cllr Brewer and Cllr Harris updated the council on the position of the Combe Way trees. Magna Housing have now forwarded the information provided by Crossways Parish Council to their legal team. They had made an offer which involved them undertaking some work and invoicing the Parish Council for other parts. They wanted confirmation that the Council would not continue to pursue regarding land ownership. The Chairman was aware that a councillor was keen to settle this dispute but unfortunately as the Parish Council do not own the land, it is not able to give such confirmation. It was agreed with the information and evidence already held by the parish council no further action will be taken until contact has been received from Magna Housing Legal Department and to keep Dorset Council advised. Councillors were aware that residents had been made aware by an article in the April edition of 'the Bridge' which had been published that day.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

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

11. FINANCE AND PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

- a) Finances - documents circulated prior to the meeting. **COUNCIL APPROVED** the payments below since the last meeting and to note receipts.
- b) To approve the bank reconciliation – **COUNCIL APPROVED** – signed by Cllr Connor and Cllr. Light.

Date	Transaction No	Payment to	Payment Description	Total (inc)	VAT
02/03/2025	141	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 2nd main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
03/03/2025	142	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 3rd main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
04/03/2025	143	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 4th main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
06/03/2025	144	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 5th main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
08/03/2025	145	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 6th main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
09/03/2025	146	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 7th main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00
10/03/2025	147	Redwood Bank	Crossways account - transfer of £10k 8th and final main payment	£10,000.00	£0.00

11/03/2025	148	British Gas	Electricity bill - pavilion	£28.51	£1.35
15/03/2025	149	HSBC	Bank charges	£8.00	£0.00
21/03/2025	150	Dorset Waste Partnership (Dorset Council)	DWP DD - Wheelie bin rental/collection Sports Field (140ltr), Mem Park (140ltr), and Park Entrance 240ltr - Feb 2025	£96.72	£0.00
25/03/2025	151	British Gas	Gas bill – pavilion	£66.81	£3.18
25/03/2025	152	Woodsford Farms	Allotment rental	£50.00	£0.00
25/03/2025	153	Central Southern Security	Annual Charge for 4G texecom SIM - Pavilion - Invoice number 206690 - CROS4001	£96.00	£16.00
25/03/2025	154	A Brewer	Batteries for Pavilion key safes (2 x 4pack of AA Energizer) - Co-op 17/3/2025	£9.90	£1.65
25/03/2025	155	Screwfix	Key safes - Invoice #A20977190665	£123.97	£20.66
25/03/2025	156	S Manuel	Grass cutting - March 24	£280.00	£0.00
25/03/2025	157	Staples	Office supplies - Invoice #73891383 - Order # 1702027	£16.57	£2.76
25/03/2025	158	Vodafone	Telephone & broadband	£157.60	£26.26
TOTALS				£70,934.08	£71.86

Income since 27 February 2025

02/03/2025	Interest from Redwood Bank into A/C*****79	£ 2.47
02/03/2025	Payment into Redwood Bank (A/C *****64)	£ 10,000.00 *
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08/03/2025	Payment into Redwood Bank (A/C *****64)	£ 10,000.00 *
09/03/2025	Payment into Redwood Bank (A/C *****64)	£ 10,000.00 *
10/03/2025	Payment into Redwood Bank (A/C *****64)	£ 10,000.00 *
16/03/2025	Interest (A/C *****60)	£ 2.89
22/03/2025	Interest (A/C *****87)	£ 69.12
Total income		<u>£ 80,074.48</u>

Total Expenditure this Financial Year **£ 218,427.59 ***

Total Income this Financial Year **£ 295,572.23 ***

* The totals of expenditure and income include the transfers (income and receipts) from HSBC into the Redwood Bank account

Account balances as at 27 March 2025

HSBC A/C *****87 - Money Manager Account	£ 39,370.09
HSBC A/C *****79 - Community Account	£ 40,193.60
HSBC A/C *****60 - Sports Field account	£ 2,141.11
Redwood Bank (A/C *****64) – Savings account	<u>£ 10,000.00</u>

* The Clerk has completed all eight payments to with Redwood Bank totalling £80,000.00. Limiting the amount to £80,000.00, the funds remain protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

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.

12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES (Information Only)

No reports received.

The Chairman drew Councillors attention to an article in the Parish Magazine concerning fraud scams and hope that many of the more vulnerable members of the village would find the information useful.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting was due to be held on Thursday 24 April 2025 including Annual Parish Meeting (APM)

There being no other business the Chairman thanked Councillors and public for their attendance and input and closed the meeting at 8.25 pm.

Signed.....Chairman.....2025