

**Minutes of the FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held at the Sixpenny Handley Parish Office on 22nd June 2023 @ 7:30pm.**

Item		Action By
	<p style="text-align: center;">3 Members present at the Public Open Session</p> <p>Residents expressed their concerns regarding the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour recently within the village. Specifically, the residents of Paddock Close have experienced low level of nuisance behaviour escalating to homophobic graffiti, arson in a public amenity and a general intimidating presence.</p> <p>Cllr McLean expressed his concerns over a recent pattern of anti-social with graffiti at 5 separate locations around the village. The crimes were immediately reported to the Police by the PC with confidence (although no evidence) of the suspected juvenile perpetrators.</p> <p>Parish response: Members acknowledged the increasing number of episodes and despite prompt reporting to the Police the request to have a Police presence has been declined. Residents are encouraged to individually report all incidents to build a case for extra policing in the village.</p> <p>Parish Clerk to respond to Crime number 55230095379 ‘closure due to no more lines of enquiry’ to request a follow up on information already supplied.</p> <p>Cllr Turner added that he had attended a rural crimes session held at the Village Hall and had discussed recent crimes along with problem of low confidence in policing. To report a non- emergency crime use either 101 or www.dorset.police.uk/do-it-online information to be made available on community and Parish Council website.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AT</p>
<p>998</p>	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr J Reed (Chairman) Cllr D Chick Cllr A Turner Cllr R Adams Cllr C Taylor Cllr D Adams Cllr S McLean Cllr I Mereweather</p> <p>Also in Attendance Cllr Piers Brown (Dorset Council Cranborne Chase) Mrs Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr S Meaden (Vice Chairman)</p>	
<p>999</p>	<p>Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation</p> <p>None</p> <p>The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:</p> <p>Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall 1st Woodcutt Scouts/ Community Fund. Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Community Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust/Skate-park Fundraising Group/Sustainable Handley. Cllr David Adams – Sixpenny Handley Sports Facilities/ Allotment Association Cllr Rosalie Adams – Sixpenny Handley Village Hall / Community Fund. Cllr Simon Meaden – 1st Woodcutt Scouts/Allotment Association.</p>	

<p>1000</p>	<p>Dorset Council Cranborne Chase Councillor Piers Brown</p> <p>The Cost of Living Crisis support – Round 4 is open.</p> <p>The Highways Team are meeting with flood expert Andy Probert (Flood Risk Team) in order investigate the gullies associated with pipework efficiency. Cllrs (AT IM DC) & Cllr PB to attend this information gathering meeting.</p> <p>Comment from members: Concerns remain that a failure to pose the appropriate questions to Flood Engineers regarding groundwater & surface water / flood risk will result in uninformed decision making by the Planning Officer. There are questions regarding groundwater still to be addressed separately to ensure total transparency of the situation. Cllrs (AT & IM) continue to communicate with the Planning Department/ Environment Agencies/ Highways & Flood Risk Teams on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate mapping of surface water/groundwater are needed. • Clarity over re-worked flood line. • Flood Engineer to be asked separately about groundwater flood risk. • Advocating the necessity for Environment Reps to be consultees on planning applications regardless of having a ‘minor’ development status. • Drainage ditch on Frogmore land redirected during 2022-23 <p>Comment from members: The PC identified that Highways had completed surface dressing on a private residence driveway located on Dean Lane. This work was carried out before the potholes and dropped drain on Dean Lane was repaired. Clerk to investigate Highway job priorities.</p>	<p>AT IM DC PB</p> <p>AT/IM</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>1001</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 25th May 2023</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. Unanimous</p>	
<p>1002</p>	<p>Matters arising from the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 25th May 2023.</p> <p>Cllr McLean attended the Sports Pavilion during the electrical fitting of the solar panels to familiarise himself with meter readings. A system app should be available to monitor use age – Clerk to follow up.</p>	
<p>1003</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the Finance & General Meeting held on 1st June 2023.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct was signed by the Chairman. Unanimous</p>	
<p>1004</p>	<p>DAPTC Matters</p> <p>Cllr McLean attended the first face to face meeting of the DAPTC Eastern Area representatives. It was noted that there was a poor attendance of members (previously 30 members pre-Covid). A mini report of the meeting was circulated prior to FPC.</p> <p>Matters of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk’s Conference 28 September 2023 • Planning Developments proposal in Alderholt for approximately 1750 houses. 	
<p>1005</p>	<p>Highways Matters</p> <p>The response received on 20/6/23 from DC Highways Assets Manager following the Parish Council’s request for road reconstruction rather than surface dressing:</p>	

	<p><i>'Many of our local roads are evolved roads and don't have the preferred level of construction we would like, but through many years of consolidation of the existing material, are holding up.</i></p> <p><i>We would only reconstruct these roads if they are displaying signs of severe structural failure.</i></p> <p><i>Garston Road was surveyed by engineers for suitability for surface dressing, and was deemed suitable for this treatment, which means overall the road is in good structural condition and will have only required localised repairs ahead of this treatment.</i></p> <p><i>The patches we are due to repair in preparation for the surface dressing, will be permanent conventional repairs (ie using hot asphalt material).</i></p> <p><i>The surface dressing will seal the road surface, preventing water ingress, which will prevent the formation of potholes. It also restores surface texture to improve skid resistance.</i></p> <p><i>The enquiry I received also raised the poor drainage on that road, which is usually a major contributory factor in the formation of potholes. The drainage system through that section is one of grips and ditches to remove water from the highway. So we will ensure that all of the vegetation is cut back, and these drainage channels are opened up'.</i></p> <p>Andy Proberts Flooding Prevention Team has organised a meeting on 23/6/23 with Cllrs (AT IM DC) along with the DC Jetter Crew with the intention to investigate the gullies and associated pipework efficiency. This will provide an opportunity to survey the whole system along with identifying Frogmore Lane surface water & groundwater issues to support planning concerns which can be feedback to Planning Case Officers.</p> <p>Scheduled surface dressing along Dean Lane / Garston Wood and Common Road are due to commence on 27/6/23 – potholes and carriageway repairs remain outstanding. Members noted that tarmac repairs to a private driveway in 16/6/23 had been carried out by the DC Highways Team. Clerk to investigate the circumstances.</p> <p>On-line report 1221697 – Fly tipped debris from the road edges had been cleared from the lay-by on the B3081.</p>	<p>AT IM DC</p> <p>IM</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>1006</p>	<p>Rights of Ways</p> <p>The footpath fence between Sheasby Close and the High Street continues to deteriorate. Members are concerned that it is becoming a health & safety issue. The fence has previously been identified as East Dorset property and has been designated one of 130 asset repairs needing to be resolved by Dorset Council. Clerk contacted Highways Team Leader for an update – no funding available. Members discussed potential insurance liability and the merits of taking dangerous fencing down and replacing with temporary fixing. Local residents might not be in favour – Clerk to discuss further with Highways Team. Cllr Adams (DA) to provide up to date photos.</p> <p>A report from a local resident informed the PC that Back Lane ROW footpath across Lovell owned land was overgrown and impassable. Cllr Adams (DA) confirmed the ROW had been cleared.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>1007</p>	<p>Allotment Association</p> <p>The allotment plots on Common Road are generally looking better, tidier and more productive. Plot holders are using more water due to the dry spells of weather. There are 3 plots that still need to be cleared and it was agreed to leave until early autumn to begin clearance. Cllr Reed to provide plastic covering once plots have been cleared.</p>	
<p>1008</p>	<p>Village Hall Matters</p> <p>No matters to discuss other than Electrical Survey for the installation of Solar Panels is due on 27/6/23. Clerk or Cllr Adams (RA) to be available.</p>	<p>Clerk/RA</p>

<p>1009</p>	<p>End of year accounts 31st March 2023 and documents were distributed during the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members noted the Internal Auditors Report and acknowledged the level of detail. Chairman to sign letter of engagement document for 2022-23. Clerk to carry forward letter of engagement for 2023-24 Internal Audit to the next FPC meeting. 	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>1010</p>	<p>Annual Governance Statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members completed and approved the Annual Governance Statement for year ending 31 March 2023 and duly signed by the Chairman & Clerk. 	
<p>1011</p>	<p>Accountancy Statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members approved unanimously the Accountancy Statement for year ending 31 March 2023 duly signed by the Chairman & Clerk. 	
<p>1012</p>	<p>Conflict of Interest Declaration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members completed the Conflict of Interest with BDO LLP declaration duly signed by the Chairman & Clerk. 	
<p>1013</p>	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset Council Update circulated prior to FPC 22/6/23* • Dorset Business News circulated prior to FPC 22/6/23* • DAPTC E-news circulated prior to the FPC 22/6/23* • Correspondence received from Dorset Police on 22/6/23 closing Crime Number 5520095379. • Confirmation of delivery date 21/6/23 of new lodge from residents of Pantiles with thanks for allowing access over PC owned land. • Communities Resilience Fund Application circulated 22/6/23 – an opportunity for eligible community groups to apply for grants specifically to provide Generators in order to support local response in the event of a significant emergency. Cllr Mereweather volunteered to pursue the application. 	<p>IM</p>
<p>1014</p>	<p>Information to Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus Back Better Teams Meeting – attended by Cllr Turner. • The Big Session 2023 Risk Assessment completed and circulated to all members. No concerns accepted by members. Clerk to confirm event to Hiscox Insurance. • Cllr McLean circulated a photograph of a newly found hidden gem in the form of an old aluminium road sign. Located along the hedgerow along the B3081 adjacent to homes in Paddock Close the sign is in need of refurbishment, starting with sand blasting followed by reinstating black lettering. Members unanimously resolved to approve expenditure of approximately £160.00 to carry out this important historic environment protection work. • Members unanimously resolved to transfer £5000.00 from the Nat West current Account to Unity Trust Interest Account (remaining interest payments will be transferred at a later date). • Members agreed the next FPC meeting would be in August allowing a July holiday. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>SMc</p>
<p>1015</p>	<p>Communication Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surface dressing reminder • Surface drains survey outcome • New road sign 	<p>AT</p>

Meeting Closed 9.23pm
These minutes are to be signed by the Chairman after approval
at the next Full meeting of the Parish Council.

Signed;.....

24th August 2023