

**Minutes of the FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held at the Sixpenny Handley Parish Office on 28th November 2024 @ 7:30pm.**

Item		Action By
	0 member of the public open session present.	
1445	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr J Reed (Chairman) Cllr S Meaden (Vice Chairman) Cllr R Hassall Cllr D Adams Cllr D Chick Cllr C Taylor</p> <p>Also in Attendance Mrs Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr A Turner Cllr I Mereweather Cllr S McLean Cllr R Adams Mr Piers Brown (Chase Councillor)</p>	
1446	<p>Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation</p> <p>Cllr Simon Meaden declared an interest in Sports Pavilion / The Penny Tap item. The Clerk granted permission to speak and requested Cllr Meaden leave the meeting to allow members to discuss.</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 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 / CCIO Cllr Simon Meaden – 1st Woodcutt Scouts/Allotment Association.</p>	
1447	<p>Dorset Council Cranborne Chase Councillor Piers Brown – Update</p> <p>No report this month.</p>	

<p>1448</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 24th October 2024.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. <i>Unanimous</i></p>	
<p>1449</p>	<p>Matters arising from the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 24th October 2024.</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>1450</p>	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 7th November 2024.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. <i>Unanimous</i></p>	
<p>1451</p>	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>Proposal: P/FUL/2024/06061 The Cashmoor Inn Change of Use building from public house to a dwelling.</p> <p>Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge PC Decision: Object</p> <p>Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge PC Comment:</p> <p>The locality of this pub along the A354 means it has the potential to be a thriving public house. It remains the last pub in the Parish and every effort to save this amenity should be made.</p> <p>Members also felt that there are many application inaccuracies - the application states that the site is not a flood risk but part of the site is in Flood Zone 3. The application states that sewerage is via a connection to the main sewer but local knowledge suggests there is a septic tank or other form of waste holding place.</p> <p>On this basis, clarity on flood risk is essential and should be given by a professional Flood Risk Assessment.</p> <p><u>Proposal: P/VOC/2024/06275 Back Lane Development – Background Information</u></p> <p>The Parish Council were grateful to have the opportunity to attend a pre planning presentation in September 2021 by Western Design Architects (WDA) working on behalf of Willton Homes and were able to discuss areas of concern before the submission of a planning application. As a result of good communication between both parties the Parish Council responded positively with no objection caveated with concerns over elevations and loss of amenity at the northern part of the site in particular on 9.11,12 & 14.</p> <p>Disappointingly members of the PC concluded that their original concerns had not been considered and were not reflected in the original planning application submission by Willton Homes. This could have been as a result of a change in Architects that happened after 2022.</p> <p>When we were first consulted by Willton Homes (pre planning) the PCs emphasis was on <u>balancing the need for development and minimising impact on existing residents</u>. We are hopeful that further consideration for existing residents will be included in future planning decisions.</p>	

	<p>Parish Council decision on 28/11/2024 - P/VOC/2024/06275 – Object</p> <p>Parish comment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Road safety degraded by the removal of the pavement. 2. Potential amenity impact on 12 & 14 Littlefield Lane by the addition of a gable on house 3. <p>Proposal: P/Ful/2024/06193 – 14 High Street Sixpenny Handley sub divide into x2 flats.</p> <p>Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council Decision: Support.</p>	
<p>1452</p>	<p>DAPTC Matters</p> <p>The scheduled DAPTC Eastern Area meeting was cancelled.</p> <p>Cllr Taylor attended the Zoom meeting of DAPTCs AGM which was held on 23rd November 2024 and circulated his report below to all Councillors:</p> <p>The two guest speakers were Cllr Nick Ireland - Leader of Dorset Council and Cllr Mike Cox - Deputy Leader BCP Council. The principal item of interest was the possible devolution of powers from central government to a regional grouping of Dorset, Wiltshire and Somerset, hopefully unlocking further resources for the area. BCP is not keen and so apparently is Swindon. Concern was expressed that this would lead to even less account being taken of local views.</p> <p>Among officer elections, Tony Gibb was re-elected as Vice President.</p> <p>It was proposed and agreed that subscriptions should be increased by 30%. The Dorset Council grant was being reduced somewhat (and may be reduced further in future) and the NHS Dorset grant of £12,500 had been cut to zero. (It was pointed out that it is possible for Councils to opt out of DAPTC (and consequently NALC) with the consequent removal of support and information.)</p> <p>It was proposed and agreed that DAPTC should transition to a Company Limited by Guarantee, thereby making it easier to arrange leases, open bank accounts etc with reduced individual liability. This is a matter which has concerned Trustees within our Parish.</p>	
<p>1453</p>	<p>Village Hall Matters</p> <p>The Chairman of the Village Hall forwarded two quotes for a 5 year fixed electrical wire test & certificate.</p> <p>Members accepted financial responsibility and agreed to pay for the service in full. Members considered quotes and chose to appoint a local contractor if the quotes were comparable.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>1454</p>	<p>Highways Matters</p> <p>1269592 Overgrown vegetation obscuring speed restriction signs on Common Road opposite the First School will be cut back on 5/12/24.</p> <p>1269589 Overgrown vegetation obscuring speed restriction signage will be cut back on 5/12/24.</p> <p>Clerk to request the seasonal clearance of ditches in and around the Parish.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

<p>1457</p>	<p>Skate-Park Matters.</p> <p>The CCIO hold funds for the Skate-park Project – on the 19/11/24 the CCIO paid an application fee of £73.25 to Dorset Council Planning.</p> <p>Subsequently a Certificate for Lawful Use letter was received from Dorset Council Planning Department. The Clerk contacted the Case Officer for clarity over the type of application submitted. It was anticipated that a permitted development application would be appropriate as the proposal is to replace an existing skate-park not create one.</p>	
<p>1458</p>	<p>Correspondence – Circulated to members prior to the meeting*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset Council Update circulated prior to FPC 28/11/24 • Dorset Business News circulated prior to FPC 28/11/24 • DAPTC E-news circulated prior to the FPC 28/11/24 • CAB newsletter circulated prior to FPC • SID Team circulated a winter maintenance plan. • Enquiry received from Nicola Carpenter on behalf of St Mary’s church to host a car boot sale on 26/5/25. Clerk to gain further clarity. 	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>1459</p>	<p>Information to Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSE have been booked in to decommission the electric meter. • Parish Office has moved from a SSE business variable contract to a short term fixed. • Octopus have escalated our enquiry to access Panel Power export tariff. • IM chased DES Renewables regarding VH generator meeting. • The x3 local defibrillators have been checked and The National Circuit has been updated. • The CLT Team were informed of an additional charge from Dorset Council for the review bio-diversity report which is disappointing. • Cllr Meaden has liaised with local hedge cutting contractor to organise the trimming of Back Lane, Allotments, VH Car Park, Bowls Club, hedge opposite the school. • Cllr Meaden explained to members that the Penny Tap had come to a business crossroads. As their financial year end approaches and in view of being on the cusp of VAT threshold, the Directors of the business have to make a decision to either continue to run as normal or to expand the business. Cllr Meaden bought a proposal to the PC to increase their opening hours from 16 hours to 30 hours. The alcohol license already permits an increase in hours but the PC would need to approve the longer opening hours on the current opening days and open on cricket match days during the summer months. <p>Cllr Meaden left the meeting to allow discussion.</p> <p>Parish Council comment: Since its inception the Penny Tap has been a focal point of the community and has provided a regular reliable service to the community – an excellent amenity that it would be missed if it closed its doors.</p> <p>The proposal is timely as it comes in line with the expiry of the current license/lease with the PC.</p> <p>Members continued to discuss other aspects including rates, rent, on-going building maintenance and a licence review.</p> <p>Members had no objections to the Penny Tap increasing its hours and will invite Penny Tap Directors to meet with the PC to discuss the expansion of their business in the New Year.</p>	

1460	Approve Parish Council Communication Report. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steam Santa will be held on 18th December 2024 @ 6pm at the bottom of the village & 6.30pm at the Village Hall. A QR code will be available to make donations to the Salisbury Stars Appeal. Members unanimously approved £100.00 expenditure to provide sweets for the children.	AT
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Meeting Closed 8.50 pm

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

Signed;..... 19th December 2024