

**Minutes of a meeting of Puddletown Area Parish Council (PAPC) held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021, in Puddletown Village Hall.**

<b>Present:</b>	Peter Walton (Vice-Chair), John Ridout (Vice-Chair), Peter Redman, Lauren Tidbury, Julian Hubbuck and Mike Brown.
<b>Meeting Chair:</b>	Cllr Alan Sheppard
<b>Clerk:</b>	Anna Bendall
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	Dorset Councillor Emma Parker.
<b>Minute Number</b>	<b>Comments</b>
21/038	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Nicky Ling, as well as PCSO Alison Donnison.</p>
21/039	<p><b>Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests</b></p> <p>None.</p>
21/040	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>None.</p>
21/041	<p><b>Confirmation of minutes of the PAPC meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes for the PAPC meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2021 be approved.</p>
21/042	<p><b>Matters arising from previous minutes of the PAPC meetings and review of Action Log</b></p> <p>Following a meeting between Parish Councillors and representatives of the Middle School, it was agreed to request signs from the Highways Authority to promote the unofficial one-way system by directing school traffic up New Street to access the school.</p> <p align="right"><b>Action: Clerk</b></p>
21/043	<p><b>Recreation Areas</b></p> <p>Signs at the recreation ground instructing that dogs must be kept on leads near to the sports pitches and not walked on the sports pitches have been vandalised. New signs will be ordered to replace these.</p> <p align="right"><b>Action: Clerk</b></p> <p>It was agreed that “no cycling” signs would be installed at the entrances to the play park in Puddletown as there have been several cases on older children cycling in the play park around young children playing which has caused concern for parents. The play park is not suitable for bike riding.</p> <p align="right"><b>Action: Clerk</b></p> <p>There has been an increase in cases of dog fouling at the recreation ground. The dog warden has been asked to visit for enforcement purposes. Fines can be issued.</p> <p>Concerns have been raised that there may be a substance abuse problem at the recreation ground in the evenings. The PCSO has been asked to make visits.</p>

21/044	<p><b>Parish matters</b></p> <p>A report was received from a volunteer summarising the work to date on the Tolpuddle K6 kiosk. This report is included as <b>Appendix A</b> of the Minute Book and is available online under additional documents. The report also includes a breakdown of expenditure for which authorisation has been requested.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to approve expenditure totalling £207.39 to complete the kiosk project.</p> <p>Dorset Councillor Parker has reported that temporary events are expected at Southover Farm Campsite. Temporary Events Notices are required and the Licensing Authority have the power to refuse permission for such events. The Parish Council would be notified of an event but not consulted. Only the police or Environmental Health department have the power to object. Concerns related to such events or noise complaints should be directed to the Licensing Authority and Environmental Health department.</p>
21/045	<p><b>Dorset Councillor's report</b></p> <p>A report was received from Cllr Parker and distributed to members before the meeting. This is available as <b>Appendix B</b> of the Minute Book and is available online under additional documents.</p> <p>Dorset Councillor Parker and the Clerk were both sent an email from the Highways Authority regarding the request to lower the speed limit through Lower Waterston. The Highways Authority have advised that they do not consider the road to be suitable for a reduced speed limit but have provided recommendations for other options that should lower traffic speed, some of which the Parish Council would be expected to fund. It was agreed that a separate consultation would be held with Lower Waterston residents as part of an extraordinary meeting in order to consider these options. It was also agreed that it would not be appropriate to carry out a petition to reduce the speed limit until these options had been properly considered. A venue near to Lower Waterston will be sought but otherwise this meeting will be held in Puddletown. <b>Action: Clerk</b></p>
21/046	<p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <p><b>P/HOU/2021/01471 (householder application)</b>  Proposal: Erect Replacement Conservatory.  Location: Tolpuddle Hall, 35 Main Road, Tolpuddle, Dorset, DT2 7EW  <b>RESOLVED</b> to make no comment.</p>
21/047	<p><b>Rights of Way, drains, hedges, and roads</b></p> <p>Speed limit signs throughout the parishes are obscured by overgrown hedgerows. It was agreed to request that hedgerows along roads be cut back around speed limit signs. Any that are missed can be reported individually through the Dorset Council website.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to have one of the Parish Council's Casual Workers cut back grass around the trees on the Blandford Road verge to help preserve the trees. <b>Action: Clerk</b></p> <p>The Parish Council received three quotes for work to improve the surface of the right of way to the north of Puddletown known as Doctors' Lane. One contractor raised some points that had not previously been considered or mentioned by anyone else and it was agreed that the other two contractors should be contacted to confirm if these points had</p>

	<p>been considered and how much of the required work had been included in the quote.  <b>Action: Clerk</b></p>
21/048	<p><b>Parking Charges</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to make no comment.</p>
20/049	<p><b>Payments</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to approve payments totalling £32,373.24 and note receipts and other payments in accordance with the July 2021 schedule. A copy of the schedule appears as <b>Appendix C</b> of the Minute Book and is available online under additional documents.</p>
20/050	<p><b>Scheme of Delegation</b></p> <p>It was agreed that a written draft Scheme of Delegation would be prepared by the Clerk for consideration at the next Council meeting.  <b>Action: Clerk</b></p>
21/051	<p><b>Date of next meeting and items for the agenda</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021, 7.00 pm in Puddletown Village Hall.</p>

Meeting closed at 8:27pm

**Signed**

.....Chair

Date:

Alan Sheppard