

Minutes of a meeting of Puddletown Area Parish Council (PAPC) held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 10th May 2022, in Puddletown Village Hall.

Present:	Cllrs John Ridout (Vice-Chairman), Mike Brown and Lauren Tidbury.
Meeting Chair:	Cllr Alan Sheppard (Chairman)
Clerk:	Kelly Haggett
Also in Attendance:	Eight members of the public
Minute Number	Comments
22/001	<p>Election of Chair for the new civic year</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor Alan Sheppard be elected as Chairman</p>
22/002	<p>Election of Vice-Chair for the new civic year</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor John Ridout and Councillor Peter Walton be elected as Vice-Chairman</p>
22/003	<p>Election of officers</p> <p>RESOLVED to elect members to offices as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Puddletown Village Hall representative: Cllr John Ridout • Tolpuddle Village Hall representative: Cllr Peter Walton • Rights of Way Officer: Cllr Harry Doe • DAPTC representative: Cllr John Ridout, (one vacancy) • Representative to the Puddletown Charity: Phil Drake (non-member) • Representative to PRIDE: Cllr Alan Sheppard and Cllr Mike Brown • Orchard Meadow liaison: Cllr Lauren Tidbury • Puddletown Community Play Park liaison: Cllr Alan Sheppard • Butt Close Play Area liaison: Cllr John Ridout
22/004	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Peter Walton (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Peter Redman, Cllr Harry Doe, Dorset Councillor Emma Parker and PCSO Alison Donnison.</p>
22/005	<p>Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests</p> <p>None.</p>
22/006	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>A member of the public wished to inform the council that the Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival would resume this year after a two year break due to coronavirus. Date of the event Friday 15th to Sunday 17th July 2022.</p> <p>A member of the public raised a concern regarding current roof repairs at West Farm, Tolpuddle. There is a history of swallows nesting on the rooves which should not be</p>

	<p>disturbed. The owner has been spoken to and this has been reported to Dorset Council who will monitor.</p>
22/007	<p>Confirmation of minutes of the PAPC meeting held 12th April of 2022</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes for the PAPC meeting held on the 12th of April 2022 be approved.</p>
22/008	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>None of note.</p>
22/009	<p>Dorset Councillor Report</p> <p>A report was received from Dorset Councillor Parker and distributed to members before the meeting. This is available online under additional documents.</p>
22/010	<p>PCSO's Report</p> <p>None circulated. Action: Clerk</p>
22/011	<p>Recreation areas</p> <p>A request has been made from the Tolpuddle Old Chapel Trust for the Parish Council to agree to the siting of bat boxes in Orchard Meadow. The TOCT feel the proposal will benefit bats in the general area and is in keeping with one of the aims of Orchard Meadow as a sanctuary for wildlife. The Parish Council are in principle in favour of this proposal but seek clarification on future funding implications. Action: Clerk</p> <p>A piece of the play equipment from the sand play area in Puddletown has broken. This has been removed for safety reasons and will be repaired and replaced as soon as possible. Action: Clerk</p>
22/012	<p>Parish Matters</p> <p>An application has been submitted by the owner of The Stables in Puddletown, to adopt the adjacent roadside verge, install low wooden posts and acquire a "licence to cultivate" to plant on the verge. There was an objection from several residents living near the property who provided comprehensive and detailed reasons why this application should not be supported by the Parish Council, based on safety and the historical character of the area. Having considered all the points made, the Parish Council did not support the application and will record this with Dorset Highways, Dorset Cllr Emma Parker and Dorset conservation officers. Action: Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Lauren Tidbury questioned any developments on the speed traffic survey outside the first school. Action: Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Alan Sheppard reported on continuing traffic problems with school buses and at the Middle School. Action: Clerk</p>

22/013	<p>Planning</p> <p>P/HOU/2022/02497 (Householder Planning Application) Location: Capernaum, The Green, Puddletown, DT2 8SN Proposal: Erect single-storey pitched roof front extension and new front porch RESOLVED no objections.</p> <p>P/HOU/2022/02500 (Householder Planning Application) Location: 45 Butt Close, Puddletown, DT2 8SU Proposal: Erect carport RESOLVED no objections.</p> <p>P/HOU/2022/02748 (Householder Planning Application) Location: 8 White Hill, Puddletown, DT2 8SB Proposal: Convert loft and install dormers. Erect flat roof porch to front elevation. Erect single storey rear extension. Erect garage extension and form pitch roof over. RESOLVED no objections.</p>
22/014	<p>Rights of Way, drains, hedges, and roads</p> <p>For information: Road Closure Notification Location: B3390 Station Road at Moreton level crossing (in both directions). Dates: From 11:30pm on 21st May until 06:00am on 23rd May 2022. Note: Network Rail</p> <p>Road Closure Notification Location: Beacon Corner to New Street, Puddletown. Dates: From 7th July to 8th July 2022. Note: Access to properties will be maintained.</p>
22/015	<p>Policies and Procedures</p> <p>Community Governance Review: Dorset Council is undertaking a Community Governance Review of all the parishes within the Council area. This review relates to the whole of the Dorset Council area and considers changes to parish areas and parish electoral arrangements. These changes include the alteration, merging, creation and abolishing of parishes, the naming of parishes, and the adoption of an alternative style for new parishes. They may also involve changes to the council size (the number of councillors to be elected to the council). Dorset Council support Puddletown Area Parish Councils' proposal to merge Puddletown with Athelhampton and Tolpuddle with Burleston. The results of the Dorset Council consultation will go to Full Council on 14th July 2022, after which Parish Councils will be informed of the outcome.</p>
22/016	<p>To approve expenditure</p> <p>RESOLVED revised expenditure to supply and erect Speed Indication Device (SID) in Puddletown £695.00 plus VAT.</p>
22/017	<p>Finance and Accounts</p>

	<p>RESOLVED to approve payments totalling £2107.38 in accordance with the May 2022 payment schedule. A copy of the schedule appears as appendix A of the Minute Book and is available online under additional documents.</p> <p>RESOLVED that expenditure £685.05 to Countrywide Grounds Maintenance be approved, invoice was received on the day of meeting, will be added to May 2022 Payment Schedule.</p> <p><u>Internal Audit Report 2021/22</u> The Parish Council are partway through its annual Internal Audit, two minor recommendations put forward by the auditor which Councillors agreed will be brought to the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Annual Governance Statement 2021/22</u> RESOLVED that the Annual Governance Statements 2021/22 be approved.</p> <p><u>Accounting Statements 2021/22</u> RESOLVED that the Accounting Statements 2021/22 be approved.</p> <p><u>Period for the Exercise of Public Rights in 2022</u> RESOLVED Between Monday 13th June 2022 and Friday 22nd July the Parish Council will make available the annual accounts to electors and interested parties. This will be advertised in accordance with the regulations. Action: Clerk</p>
22/08	<p>Date of next meeting and items for the agenda</p> <p>Tolpuddle and Burleston Annual Parish meeting Tuesday 31st May, 6.30pm in Tolpuddle Village Hall.</p> <p>The next PAPC meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 14th June 2022, 7.00 pm in Tolpuddle Village Hall.</p>

Meeting closed at 8:08 pm

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