

Minutes of a meeting of Puddletown Area Parish Council (PAPC) held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 24th September 2024, in Puddletown Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Brown, Cllr Grazebrook, Cllr Green, Cllr Hood, & Cllr Redman (Vice Chairman)

Meeting Chair: Cllr Ridout (Chairman)

Also in Attendance: 10 Members of the public was present.

Clerk: Michelle Harrington

Minute Number	Comments
0924-69	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE All Councillors were present.</p>
0924-70 a b	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS No declarations were made. NB this does not preclude any later declarations. No dispensations were requested before the meeting.</p>
0924-71	<p>PUBLIC SESSION It was noted the Wyatt Homes agenda item was moved to before the public session.</p> <p>1 Member of Public wish to congratulations Wyatt Homes on their informative presentation and ask the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On the land to the east of the surgery there is a small pocket of land covered in brambles will this land be cleared. It was noted this land belonged to the Surgery so the MOP should contact them directly. 2. On the plan there is a red area on part of the highways, why? It was noted Wyatt Homes as part of the application will be carrying out road improvements works at the gateway to Puddletown. For example, clearing around the 30mph sign, and painting dragons' teeth on the road with the aim to slow drivers down. 3. Will you be improving access to the centre of the Village Within the scope of the plan there are areas where works will be carried out to enable a safe route from the site to the centre of the village. Work within the centre of the village itself would be down to Dorset Council / Highways. 4. Would Wyatt Homes consider adding another access road on and off the site? It was noted that an additional road is not something that will be incorporated into this plan, but there is scope in the future for an additional road to be added if it is needed. It was noted one access road is in line with current government guidelines. Wyatt Homes have also purposely not planted trees or hedging down one side of the road, so that if there was an accident or emergency vehicle blocking the road, access on and off the sire would still be possible, <p>1 Member of Public wished to ask:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Several points from the previous MOP were echoed. 2. Could the junction of Millon Lane be improved as far as visibility of the junction for driver? For example street lighting on the corner to highlight the junction. 3. Could the Parish Council have an involvement in Street naming? 4. Concern was raised regarding the playpark and the vicinity of the pond. 5. Will the playpark area be handed over to the Parish Council. <p>Points 2 – 4 were noted by Wyatt Homes. It was also noted the pond will have very shallow sides with a lot of planting to help biodiversity and water quality but also to hinder people walking into the water. The playpark is under discussion.</p>

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0924-76	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES.</p> <p>A copy of the action log was submitted before the meeting. This was discussed:</p> <p>RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to contact fencing contractor to buy and install a second gate into the toddler area within Puddletown Rec Playpark.</p> <p>RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to purchase sapling guards, canes and cane tops.</p> <p>RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to add bench replacement to January 2025 agenda.</p>
0924-77	<p>DORSET COUNCILLOR REPORT</p> <p>Dorset Council newsletters were circulated before the meeting they were noted.</p>
0924-78	<p>PCSO'S REPORT</p> <p>A report was circulated before the meeting, this was noted.</p> <p>RESOLVED / ACTION: Clerk to purchase new signs for the Puddletown Rec Car Parking Area, stating cars are parked at owner's own risk, and advising no valuables are left in cars. Signs to be placed on gate opposite the entrance.</p>
0924-79	<p>RECREATION AREAS</p> <p>It was noted the following weekly playground safety inspections were carried out.</p> <p>a. Butt Close Safety Report Update – No new findings RESOLVED / ACTION: Clerk to purchase and Caretaker to install a grass mat under the toddler unit to deter cats using the area.</p> <p>b. Orchard Meadow Safety Report Update – No new findings</p> <p>c. Puddletown Rec. Safety Report Update - No new findings</p> <p>d. Puddletown Play Park Toddler Gate Please see 0924-76.</p>
0924-80	<p>PARISH MATTERS</p> <p>Correspondence</p> <p>1 Butt Close – Cat Issues – Please see 0924-79a</p> <p>2 Wool Parish Council – Neighbourhood Plan - Noted Cllr's are invited to comment personally.</p> <p>3 Caravan in layby. RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to contact Dorset Police to see if they can move on as it is believed someone is living in the caravan and there is a concern regarding waste disposal.</p> <p>4 Weeds – A concern was raised regarding the state of the highways throughout the parish. RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to contact grounds maintenance contractor to request a quote for weed spraying.</p> <p>5 Ironman incident. It was noted that an ambulance was denied access across a highway during the recent Ironman event. RESOLVED/ACTION: Clerk to write to Ironman organisers to ensure they are aware of the situation and ask to ensure this does not happen again.</p>
0924-81	<p>UPDATE FROM RIGHTS OF WAY, DRAINS, HEDGES, AND ROADS</p> <p>a. The following road closure was noted: Road Closure - Southover Farm Access Road, Tolpuddle. 15th November 2024</p>
0924-82	<p>UPDATE FROM THE FLOOD WARDEN</p> <p>No report was submitted.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to remove Jullian Hambrook as Flood Warden from Parish Mag.</p>

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