

**Minutes of a meeting of the Puddletown Area Parish Council held at 7.00pm on  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at Tolpuddle Village Hall**

<b>Present:</b>	Cllrs P. Churchill, P. Drake, A. Sheppard, J. Johnstone, S. Langdon, J. Ranger
<b>Chairman:</b>	S. Baynard
<b>Locum Clerk:</b>	C. Hampton
<b>Public:</b>	32 members of the public. DCC Cllr N. Ireland. 4 representatives from Wyatt Homes

The Chairman began the meeting by thanking Cllr Langdon for all her hard work over several months in carrying out the role of temporary Clerk as well as councillor, which was followed by a round of applause in appreciation by all present. He then went on to welcome Colin Hampton as the new Locum Clerk.

**Public Participation Time**

The Chairman announced that this period would begin with a presentation by the team from Wyatt Homes Ltd on their proposed development at Three Ways Lane, which would be followed by an opportunity for questions and comments to the team.

A powerpoint presentation was used to illustrate the development and briefings were given on the design concepts, architecture and site plan. There were many questions and comments made to the team, most of which were critical of many aspects of the proposed development. When it became clear that most members of the public attending had no further points to make the Chairman drew this part of the meeting to a close, making clear that council members would discuss the application further at the appropriate point on the agenda.

Before moving on to the agenda two further points were raised by a member of the public. One concerned vehicles speeding in the area, in particular along Blandford Rd to the A35. Secondly, concern was expressed regarding large numbers of youths gathering at the weighbridge layby in the evening. The Chairman suggested a survey of traffic could be done on completion of the Tolpuddle survey already requested. The PCSO would be asked to check on the second item of concern.

<b>Minute Number</b>	<b>Comments</b>
18/106	<b>Apologies for absence</b>  Cllrs P. Cooke, M. Cooke, A. Thorne, P. Walton,
18/107	<b>Confirmation of minutes of PAPC Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes for the PAPC Meeting on 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 be approved and signed in the presence of the meeting.
18/108	<b>Matters arising from the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Annual PAPC Meeting</b>  None.
18/109	<b>To receive Declarations of Interest</b> in accordance with S94 of the LGA1972 and consider any dispensations requested.  Cllr Ranger requested a dispensation for agenda item 8.2. Dispensation was granted to speak about the slurry lagoon.
18/110	<b>County Councillors report</b>

- Three Lanes Way planning application not a DCC planning issue except for Highways, who rarely object to an application.
- School parking. The DCC policy is that there should be no parking facilities provided at schools.
- Children's Services are overspent.
- The Shadow Authority has met for the first time.
- Consultation on the Local Boundary Commission warding arrangements for Dorset has begun.
- Dorchester Marathon wash-up meetings have been held, no issues were raised. Decisions on next year's marathon yet to be made.
- Martyr's Festival – road verges between Puddletown and Tolpuddle to be cut.

18/111 **District Councillors Report**

None available

18/112 **Police and Community Issues**

PCSO Donnison was unable to attend and sent a report, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book. A subsequent email from Dorset Police, turning down a request for an extension to the street lighting times in Tolpuddle during the festival, was read by the Chairman.

18/113 **Planning Applications**

Before considering application WD/D/18/001124 Cllr Sheppard asked the Chairman for confirmation that the council has not discussed or decided on the application prior to the meeting. The Chairman confirmed that it had not.

WD/D/18/001124 Proposal: Erection of 42 dwellings, access, landscaping, public open space and associated works

Location: LAND NORTH WEST OF, THREE LANES WAY, PUDDLETOWN

**RESOLVED** to OBJECT to this application. Reasons for objecting submitted to WDDC planning officer 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

8.2 PLANNING APPLICATION: WD/D/18/001035  
LOCATION: Southover Farm, Tolpuddle, Dorchester, Dorset  
DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Create slurry lagoon.

**RESOLVED** to OBJECT to this application. Reasons for objecting submitted to DCC planning officer 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

8.3 WD/D/17/002909  
APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78, TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990  
Demolition of garage and outbuildings and erection of dwelling.  
2 STYLES LANE, PUDDLETOWN, DORCHESTER, DT2 8SJ

**RESOLVED** to SUPPORT this application. Reasons for support submitted to WDDC planning officer 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

18/114 **Extension of 30mph Restriction at The Coombe and Horse/Pedestrian Warning Signs.**

DCC Cllr Ireland explained the process to go through for changing speed restriction zones and requesting signage.

**Action Clerk**

**18/115 Dog-related Issues in Puddletown**

a) Following the restrictions imposed on walking dogs in the recreation space, some dog-owning residents have requested the council provides an area to walk dogs off-lead. This was considered unreasonable by members. However, 5 areas previously identified to the council as possible solutions to this problem are to be investigated further by dog owners who wish to walk their dogs off-lead.

b) A group of dog owners are seeking further advice on rescinding the WDD Dog Related Public Spaces Protection Order.

**18/116 Puddletown Matters**

a) Neighbourhood Plan Update (PNP) / Community Café

- It is intended that the Draft plan will be available by the end of 2018.
- The Chairman asked Cllr Churchill if the group wished to continue, following their disappointment over the actions of Wyatt Homes? Cllr Churchill confirmed they will. The Chairman thanked the group for all their hard work.
- The Community Café has completed a series of test runs which are now being reviewed.

b) Recreation space waste bins are collected and emptied into a central waste bin for collection by DWP. This work has been carried out voluntarily by Mr Dave Knight and it was suggested he should receive some payment in recognition of carrying out this essential task.

**RESOLVED** to pay Mr D. Knight £130.00 per annum for his work in ensuring the bins are emptied.

c) Playpark – a report on the park was submitted covering fundraising, maintenance, development and future events. A copy of the report appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book. A query from Cllr Langdon regarding Butt Close playpark is to be investigated.

**Action Clerk**

**18/117 Tolpuddle Matters**

a) A request from Cllr M. Cooke for approval to purchase play equipment for Orchard Meadow was agreed.

**RESOLVED** to purchase play equipment for Orchard Meadow at a cost of £1432.80 + VAT.

b) Cllr Johnstone raised concerns voiced by Tolpuddle residents regarding the route of the Dorchester Marathon. The Chairman stated that he had spoken with the organisers regarding the route and timing of the event and at this time the future of the event had not been decided. It was reported that Cllr Langdon had attended a meeting at Dorset CC along with a number of Tolpuddle residents and County Councillor Nick Ireland. It was agreed that this matter be discussed as an agenda item at the August meeting in Tolpuddle.

c) Cllr Johnstone also raised the subject of stewarding at the Martyr's Festival. The Chairman reported that he had recently had a positive discussion with the TUC on this subject.

**18/118 Rights of Way, Drains, Hedges and Roads**

The Clerk has requested that verges between Puddletown and Tolpuddle are cut before the TUC Festival. DCC Cllr Ireland will also follow this up.

18/119 **To consider any correspondence received since the agenda was set for discussion and possible inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting**

a) The Chairman read out a letter of complaint regarding tractor traffic through Puddletown which raised concerns over excessive speed and poor practice by some of the drivers. It was agreed that this is a problem throughout the PAPC area and beyond. A suggestion was made that a letter be sent to local farmers asking for their assistance in improving the situation, copy to the PCSO.

**Action Clerk**

b) A letter from the FA about a Local Football Facility Plan which offers financial help to improve football facilities around the country. Clarification is to be sought as to whether this initiative is aimed at Parish Councils or Local Authorities.

**Action Clerk**

18/120 **Accounts**

a) To authorise payment of accounts.  
Payments requested for July were circulated to members prior to the meeting and appear as Appendix C of the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** to approve payments totalling £2387.45 in accordance with the list of payments requested.

b) Consider the reconciliation of accounts.  
Due to the late receipt of bank statements a reconciliation could not be produced. It was agreed that this would cease to be a monthly requirement and instead the Clerk will produce full quarterly statements of the accounts.

18/121 **Locum Parish Clerk**

a) To consider and approve Puddletown Area Parish Council being set up as an LGPS employer, the employer contribution rate is 22% of gross pay.

**RESOLVED** that the Council will participate in the Local Government Pension Scheme on behalf of the Clerk (a required notice of this intention has been placed on the notice board). It was resolved to commence the Scheme on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

b) To approve the appointment of Colin J Hampton as the Locum Parish Clerk/RFO.

**RESOLVED** to approve the appointment of Colin J Hampton as the Locum Parish Clerk from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

18/122 **Items for Next Agenda**

To be sent to the Clerk.

18/123 **Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018, 7.00 pm at Tolpuddle Village Hall

Meeting finished at 10.05 pm

.....Chairman

Date: