

PITMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting, held in Angersleigh Village Room on Thursday 19 January 2017.

Present. Cllrs Morgan (in Chair), Whatmore (Vice Chair), Edmondson, Neale, Newcombe, Lee, Christie and Hopcraft (signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office).

Mr R Tyzack (Clerk to the Parish Council)

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15th December 2016 already distributed were approved and signed.

3. Declarations

None

4. Matters arising

None

5. Planning application to be resolved

- Anticipated that application 30/16/0048 will be resolved at next meeting. Clerk advised Cllrs he had spoken with the case officer who reported the plans were incorrect. She would ask the Agent to send in updated plan. She would also consult on the design. Clerk will await the result and then arrange a site visit for this application and 30/17/0002.

6. Planning applications for observations

- 30/16/0046 erection of an agricultural building for the storage of agricultural implements at Harpers Farm Budleigh Road Trull. Form annotated with No further comments.
- 29/16/0023 erection of an agricultural building to be used for honey extraction, filtering and bottling with storage of bee keeping equipment and space to sort, grade and store alpaca fibre and yarn at Feltham Park Farm, Adcombe Lane, Feltham Corfe. Note this is adjacent parish. Form annotated with no further comments.

7. To receive any planning enforcement items

Clerk reported that enforcement officer had discovered the mobile home situated in the field opposite the Race Course. This was under investigation.

Clerk was asked to enquire of the following: -

- a) A field entrance that was expected to be hard surfaced at its opening.
- b) Situation at the field behind the bungalows opposite the Lamb and Flag public house.

8. To report on the meeting held at the Deane on 18th January

Cllr Morgan reported he would deal with this item under Agenda item 12.

9. Receive report regarding 30 mph signs Blagdon Hill

Cllr Edmondson had forwarded various emails from Highways to Cllrs. He proposed and it was resolved that Clerk write to Highways, thank them for their kind offer to carry out the work involved with movement of various signage and speed limits at the north entrance to Blagdon Hill and ask them to carry it out. It was noted that Highways has to go through a statutory consultation process to change the traffic Regulation Order (TRO). Consultation period will be 21 days and the whole process could take up to 12 weeks.

Unfortunately, Highways are not able to carry out any extension to the 30mph signs outside the Deane Discovery Centre.

The Chair together with all Cllrs thanked Cllr Edmondson for his commitment in bringing this matter to a satisfactory closure.

10. Receive report from Highways regarding flooding on Dipford to Angersleigh road

Clerk reported Highways had spoken with him. They have been aware of this problem for many years. Due to the land elevation in the area there was nowhere for the excess rain water to flow, so it lies in the dip where the flooding takes place. There is nothing that Highways can undertake to relieve the problem. The original respondent had been informed.

11. Reservoir and Blagdon Hill Road closure

A member of the parish had spoken to Cllr Whatmore to raise the matter of the mentioned road closure. Clerk had written to Highways asking if it is possible to limit HGV on the road from Sellicks Green through to Corfe.

12. To answer the questionnaire as provided in the email sent to Cllrs regarding the proposed new council including TDBC and West Somerset

Cllr Morgan reported on the meeting held at the Deane the previous evening. He proposed and it was resolved that all Cllrs visit the website and fill in the questionnaire on line. The matter would then be discussed at the next meeting to resolve whether Cllrs wished to have a council response to the questionnaire.

13. Purchase of 12 yellow safety jackets.

Clerk reported he had purchased 12 litter pickers through the Deane DLO. They were not cheap, however looked good quality. The high visibility jackets could not be purchased as they were inscribed with DLO on the rear. It was resolved for Clerk to purchase 12 high visibility jackets.

14. Request for letter of support from council

Cllr Morgan explained the request and advised that for the time being the matter would be further investigated.

15. Footpaths report

Cllr Whatmore reported on footpaths and that Sally Vickery was proceeding to install a kissing gate at the noted footpath.

Cllr Neale asked for a note to be placed in the newsletter advising dog walkers to be responsible when walking dogs and adhere to the countryside code of keeping dogs under proper control when using the public footpaths that cross farming land.

16. To receive update on Broadband

Cllr Whatmore advised council that the next allocation of government funding had been awarded to Gigaclear.

The £500 presented from Wessex Water would be kept separate in the council accounts for use with application to broadband,

17. To receive report on Website

Cllr Christie reported that due to illness before Christmas and generally being very busy she had not managed as much as she would have liked with regard to the website. She was still hopeful that the remaining problem of Cllrs photographs could be overcome by a telephone call to Robert who now manages the website.

The Clerk is continuing to add the minutes and Agendas relating to the years as far back as 2012. Once that is achieved he is hopeful of some more general improvements.

Cllr Christie was thanked by all for her help and input into completing the Defibrillator project.

18. Transparency Fund purchase of printer/scanner do Cllrs wish to purchase an ink contract for 50 pages per month at a cost of £1.80

Clerk reported the new printer/scanner had been purchased. HP have an offer that will supply ink each month or as required to allow the printing of 50 pages per month for a cost of £1.80. It is thought this will save money in the long term. He proposed and it was resolved that council subscribe and evaluate the deal during the year.

19. Agenda items for next meeting

Defibrillator – expanding the telephone tree. Appointment of Cllr on PFA.

20. Bank balance

Clerk REPORTED the balance £15541.20 as per the Agenda. Cllr Morgan signed the bank statement.

21. Payment of accounts

RESOLVED the invoices as reported in the Agenda be paid.

• Clerk Salary (Oct Nov Dec 2016)	£1536.34
• Clerk expenses	£96.52
• Clerk Line rental	£31.50
• TDBC Litter Pickers (12) (Clerk payment)	£158.69
• Angersleigh Village Room	£14.00
• Graphic Pavement Signs Ltd (noticeboard) (Clerk payment)	£185.94

22. Close meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2100

Signed

Date Thursday 23 February 2017