

Osmington Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 7th November 2022 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Mr N Ireland (Chairman and DC Councillor), Cllr Mrs H Ballard, Cllr. Mr P Botham, Cllr Mrs F Groves, Cllr Mrs S Miller and Cllr Mr V White.

Also in attendance: 10 members of the public.

60/22 Public Participation Time

- 60.1 A resident asked if red poppies could be tied to lamp posts for Remembrance in 2023. It was agreed that the parish council would investigate this.
- 60.2 The poor state of the graveyard was raised although this is not a parish council matter.
- 60.3 Street cleaning was raised. Cllr. Ireland advised that issues such as blocked drains be raised on the Dorset Council website.
- 60.4 A request for speed bumps on Church Lane would likely be refused.
- 60.5 The report of the PCSO was submitted which included a stolen bicycle and advice on securing hearing oil storage.
- 60.6 Cllr. Ireland informed the meeting that the Dorset Council's budget for 2023/24 would have a 29-million-pound shortfall and Council Tax was likely to be increased by 3-5%.
- 60.7 Cllr. Ireland welcomed two developers and their agent to the meeting and reminded residents and members that this was not to discuss a planning application but to gauge responses to pre planning application ideas.

It was noted that the initial intention of the scheme was to retain the pub with a smaller footprint, provide some residential holiday units and a village shop. The pub would be leased and the holiday accommodation run by the developers. It was planned to build houses instead of chalets to keep in with the village street scene and solar energy would be used across the development.

Concern was raised regarding the loss of the last green space in the village and the damage to established trees. The developers informed the meeting that an arborist had stated that the small trees that would be removed were not significant.

Parking concerns were also raised and the developers informed the meeting that the pub would be smaller, the smaller units would be allocated 1.5 spaces and they were looking to make the best use of space as possible. Advice regarding parking would be sought from Dorset Council.

The developers concluded that they were happy to answer any further questions if residents wanted to contact them directly.

61/22 Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Leigh Johnson (Clerk).

62/22 Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation

No declarations of interest or grants of dispensation were received.

63/22 Minutes

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 5th September 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

64/22 Matters arising from the minutes

55.1 - The Clerk, on behalf of the council, had requested that an Article 4 Directive be placed on The Orchard, Ringstead and The Creek Caravan Park.

57.1 – The three separate speed surveys had been requested at a confirmed cost of £750.00 plus vat.

65/22 Planning Matters

The following planning decisions were noted: -

- 65.1 **P/HOU/2022/04683** – West Farmhouse, Osmington, DT3 6EL – Erect single storey building to provide ancillary accommodation (gym/games room/home office and shower room) – **Granted**.
- 65.2 **P/HOU/2022/04551** – Little Manor, Roman Road, DT3 6ER – Demolish garage, erect shed, install charging points. Infill swimming pool and erect a home office on same footprint – **Granted**.
- 65.3 **PLBC/2022/04552** – Little Manor, Roman Road, DT3 6ER – Internal alterations to kitchen, dining and utility rooms. Change window to door to utility room – **Granted**.
- 65.4 **P/HOU/2022/04408** – Lynwood Lodge, Grove Hill, DT3 6EZ – Convert roof to form loft conversion with rooflights and balcony. Erect porch. – **Granted**.
- 65.5 **P/HOU/2022/02838** – 8 West Farm, Church Lane, DT3 6EL – Erect single storey Orangery extension to South and West elevations – **Granted**.
- 65.6 **P/FUL/2022/02060 and P/LBC/2022/02061** – Woodlands Bunker, Ringstead Farm, DT2 8NF – Convert derelict World War II bunker into holiday home – **Granted**.

The following planning application/s were considered: -

- 65.7 **P/HOU/2022/05919** – White Horse Farm Bungalow, Access Road to White Horse Farm, Osmington, DT3 6ED – Erect single storey extension.

It was **resolved** to make no comment regarding this application.

65.8 **P/HOU/2022/06499** – Lynwood Lodge, Grove Hill, Osmington, DT3 6EZ – Retain bi fold doors in existing opening. Retain relocation of balcony and spiral staircase from North to South elevation.

It was **resolved** to express disappointment that the finished staircase and balcony were not in keeping with the AONB.

66/22 Parish Amenities

66.1 Members discussed amendments to the current grass and hedge cutting contract. The contract was due for renewal in 2023 and quotes would be sought in January.

It was **resolved** that;

1. The hedge would need two cuts per annum;
2. It would be mandatory for any interested parties to attend a site visit with two councillors to assess the work before submitting a quote.

66.2 There were no concerns or issues raised by the Playing Field Officer.

66.3 Cllr. Ireland confirmed that there was a problem with the power line which fed into the back of the telephone box. The defibrillator had been temporarily moved to Cllr. Ireland's house and was still available to use. Local electricians would be approached for advice regarding the current wiring and power.

67/22 Highways and Rights of Way

67.1 Cllr. White raised a question about the request for a 20mph speed limit through the village. It would be possible to request this with supporting information from the Speedwatch team.

67.2 Lower Church Lane had now been resurfaced.

67.3 A report of debris on Church Lane was made. This would need to be cleared.

68/22 Finance

68.1 It was **resolved** that the Engineering Inspection Renewal quote be approved.

68.2 The cashbook balances, budget report and bank reconciliation were received and approved.

68.3 It was **resolved** to approve the following payments: -

WWCS Grass cutting – September and October	£408.24
Leigh Johnson – salary/expenses – September and October	£740.22
HMRC Tax – September and October	£98.00
DWP bin collections September to December	£141.44
Osmington Village Hall – Hire for September and November	£48.00
BHIB Engineering Inspection Renewal	£818.75
The Parish Noticeboard Company	£1539.00
Bernard Kuflik – Noticeboard refurbishment	£16.20
Bernard Kuflik – Noticeboard refurbishment costs (paid)	£32.71
Leigh Johnson – GoDaddy domain renewal (paid)	£52.75

69/22 Council Matters

69.1 Members undertook an annual review and it was **resolved** to accept the existing Standing Orders and Financial Regulations with no amendments.

69.2 It was noted that the two new noticeboards had security locks on both compartments. The locks would need to be changed to ensure that the boards would be accessible to all.

The meeting ended at 8.15pm.

Chairman

Date