

OSMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
held on Monday 8th January at 7.00pm at the Village Hall

Present: Cllr Mr N Ireland (Chairman and DCC Councillor), Cllr Mrs S Miller, Cllr Mrs H Ballard, Cllr Mrs G Pearson, Cllr Mrs C Dempsey, Cllr Mr P Botham and Cllr Mr V White

Also in attendance: Cllr Mr N Bundy (WDDC Councillor), Cllr A Thacker (WDDC Councillor), one member of the public and Mrs Emma Webb (Clerk) were in attendance.

Apologies

1/18 None

Public Participation Time

2/18 Cllr Mr N Bundy and Cllr Mr A Thacker gave an update on Local Government Reorganisation. The Councils are now waiting to hear from the Secretary of State for his final decision.

3/18 Mrs S Biddis raised concerns regarding the condition of the right of way up to White Horse Hill. It is in such a poor state that people have stopped using it and it is dangerous. Cllr Mr N Ireland to contact Dorset County Council to arrange a meeting with residents.

Action by: Cllr Mr N Ireland

4/18 Mrs S Biddis, as the parish Tree Warden, raised concerns regarding consultation on applications for tree works by West Dorset District Council (WDDC). Earlier last year WDDC stopped consulting parish councils on tree work applications as it is not a statutory requirement. Mrs Biddis was also concerned as decisions on tree applications were being made before the deadline date, not giving members of the public and the Parish Council time to respond. Mrs Biddis contacted the Planning Department at WDDC where they felt the role of the Tree Warden should be more focused on compliance monitoring and advising. This was noted by Osmington Parish Council.

Declarations of Interest

5/18 None

Grants of Dispensation

6/18 None.

Planning decisions and related issues.

7/18 Application No: WD/D/17/001550 – Change of use of land for the temporary siting of a mobile home for a dairy worker at Poxwell Lower Dairy, Poxwell, Dorchester, DT2 8ND.
Decision – Approval

8/18 Application No: WD/D/17/002082 – Carry out internal structural repairs at East Farm, Main Road, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EX. **Decision – Approval**

9/18 Application No: WD/D/17/002082 – Demolition of porch and erection of rear extension and 1st floor dormer at 2 Old Coastguard Cottages, Osmington Mills, Weymouth, DT3 6HQ. **Decision – Approval**

Minutes

10/18 Minutes of the meetings held on 6th November 2017 and the 4th December 2017 were **approved** and signed.

Matters arising from the minutes

- 11/18** Item 148/17 – bus shelter opposite The Sly Fox untidy – Cllr V White swept. Cllr V White check condition again. **Action by: Cllr V White**
- 12/18** Item 149/17 – request for bus shelter at Plough Close – Cllr N Ireland contacted the previous clerk, who recalls getting permission from Dorset County Council to install the bench – add to next agenda. **Action by: Clerk**
- 13/18** Item 154/17 - possibility of a gate on the SW Coastal Path – this is not possible. A white thick line has been painted on the road to highlight where the path meets the highway.
- 14/18** Item 168/17 – Parish Council Village Hall representative – on the agenda.
- 15/18** Item 199/17 – replace pole and sign in lay-by at Church Lane leading to West Farm – DCC to do.
- 16/18** Item 200/17 – Cllr Mrs G Pearson to respond to the consultation on changes by South Western Railway to the Weymouth – Waterloo service. Cllr Mrs G Pearson responded.
- 17/18** Item 201/17 – The millennium tree at the bottom of the playing field needs the stake that holds it put back in place. **Action by: Cllr Mr V White**
- 18/18** Item 202/17 – amalgamation of the Grass and Hedge Cutting Contract – on the agenda.
- 19/18** Item 203/17 – Invitation to the owners of The Sly Fox to a meeting to discuss the future use of the site – the owners responded to the invite, but declined.

Parish Amenities

20/18 It was **resolved** to accept the Grass and Hedge Contract for 2018/19 and go out to invitation to tender.

Action by: Clerk

Planning Matters

21/18 Planning application: WD/D/17/002533 - Erection of a timber orangery rear extension at 6 West Farm, Church Lane, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EL

There was **no objection** to this planning application.

Action by: Clerk

Highway and Rights of Way Matters

22/18 To discuss options with regard to the A353 speed limit to Poxwell, the Osmington Mill's road speed limit and the cycleway/footpath on Osmington Hill – deferred to another meeting.

Action by: Clerk

23/18 To consider replacing the grit bin on Ringstead Road – to be reviewed at the September meeting.

Action by: Clerk

Local Government Matters

24/18 It was **resolved** to support the Future Dorset proposal.

Action by: Cllr Mrs G Pearson

Council Affairs

- 25/18** It was **resolved** that Cllr Mr P Botham will attend the following courses:
- Introduction training for Councillors with less than 9 months experience
 - Essentials for Councillors (Dorchester)
- 26/18** It was **resolved** that Cllr Mr P Botham would be the new Parish Council Village Hall Trust Representative.
- 27/18** It was **resolved** to accept the forecast expenditure FY2017/2018 and the Chairman signed the bank reconciliation for the third quarter.
- 28/18** It was **resolved** to accept the budget for 2018/19 and set the precept of £15,450. This equated to a Council Tax charge of £49.47 for a Band D property.
- 29/18** It was **resolved** to approve the following payments

Glendale Grounds – Grass cutting (Oct)	£136.87
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Emma Webb (sal/exp 12/17)	£284.83
DCC Pension Fund (12/17)	£87.80
HMRC (PAYE 12/17)	£60.34
DAPTC – Budgeting and Precepts course	£35.00
SLCC Membership	£100.00
Village Hall Hire	£56.00

Chairman

Date