

# Osmington Parish Council

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7.00pm

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

**Also in attendance:** Miss Leigh Johnson (Clerk).

## **39/20 Public Participation Time**

No matters were raised by members of the public.

## **40/20 Apologies**

No apologies for absence were received.

## **41/20 Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation**

Councillor H Ballard and N Ireland declared a personal interest in Item 8 as former trustees of the village hall.

Councillor V White declared a pecuniary interest in Item 8 as a trustee and the treasurer of the village hall and left the meeting during consideration of this item.

## **42/20 Minutes**

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the virtual meeting held on 15th June 2020 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## **43/20 Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## **44/20 Planning Matters**

The following planning decisions were noted: -

- 44.1 **WD/D/19/002580** – The Farmhouse, East Farm, Main Road, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EX – Erect fence and shed – **Approved.**
- 44.2 **WD/D/20/000903** – Upton Cottages, Upton, Ringstead, Dorchester, DT2 8NE – Non material amendment to application WD/D/16/002284 – **Granted.**
- 44.3 **WD/D/20/000746** – Alderbourne, Mills Road, Osmington Mills, Weymouth, DT3 6HA – Erection of single storey rear extension – **Approved.**
- 44.4 **WD/D/20/000508** – 4 Plough Cottages, Main Road, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EE – Installation of dormer window/balcony to north elevation – **Approved.**
- 44.5 **WD/D/20/000139** – Osmington Hill Farm, Main Road, Osmington – Erection of extension incorporating garden room with home office over – **Approved.**

44.6 **WD/D/20/000651** – Lynwood Lodge, Grove Hill, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EZ – Erection of additional holiday accommodation (timber cabin) – **Approved.**

44.7 **WD/D/20/000877** – Fern Cottage, Chapel Lane, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6ET – Erect single storey extension and veranda – **Approved.**

**45/20** The following planning application/s were considered: -

45.1 **Application No: WD/D/20/001159** – Lynwood Lodge, Grove Hill, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EZ – Remove the existing roof and replace with a new first floor and roof and single storey extension.

It was **resolved** to OBJECT to this application for the following reasons;

1. The development would have a detrimental visual impact in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the Jurassic coastline.
2. Safety concerns had been raised regarding access to and egress from the site from the highway.

45.2 **Application No: WD/D/20/001243** – White Horse Farm Bungalow, White Horse Farm Access Road, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6ED – Use of the dwelling house without compliance with Condition 2 of planning approval I/E/74/000082 (agricultural occupancy). Certificate of Lawfulness.

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

45.3 **WD/D/19/002141** – Pixon Barn, Grove Hill, Osmington, Weymouth, DT3 6EZ – Erection of side extension and car port – Amended plans.

It was **resolved** to OBJECT to this application for the following reasons: -

1. The proposed application site occupies a prominent position within the Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The Council considers that the construction of an extension in this location and connected to an historic barn would be seriously damaging to the very special character of this area and would be at odds with the priority of conserving the natural beauty of the landscape that applies within AONB's.
2. The supporting statement presents no case for why this should be built and the Council considers that there would be no impact on the local economy if it were to be refused.
3. The Council also considers that this development would cause serious detriment to the visual amenities associated with the adjacent public rights of way.

#### **46/20 Parish Amenities**

46.1 The Playing Field Officer provided a brief update to members. The grass on the playing field continued to be cut and it was hoped that the play area would be able to open safely again soon. In response to a question it was noted that the fence alongside the newly planted hedge would be erected as soon as possible and any rubbish removed.

46.2 The item regarding the installation of a stile was deferred.

#### **47/20 Highways and Rights of Way**

47.1 Although some works had been undertaken at Lower Church Lane, it was felt that the road required resurfacing.

- 47.2 A fallen tree over a Right of Way had been reported and within two days had been removed.
- 47.3 It was reported that the shrubbery along the pavement towards the dairy was overgrown.

#### **48/20 Finance**

Members considered the request for Section 137 grant funding which had been received by the Village Hall. Due account was taken of the extent to which other funding had been sought and the own fundraising activities of the Village Hall. Members also took into account existing funds held by the Village Hall which could be used for the proposed project.

It was **resolved** that a contribution for a new cooker, cooker hood and installation be made, up to a maximum of £1600.00.

#### **Action by: The Clerk**

#### **49/20 Council Matters**

- 49.1 Agenda Item 9.1 – Climate Emergency was deferred.
- 49.2 Cllr. F Groves asked for an update regarding the chalet at Waterside. Cllr Ireland agreed to provide an update at a future meeting.
- 49.3 Cllr. Ireland informed members that a number of complaints had been received from residents at Ringstead regarding the planning consultation for a change in opening hours at the caravan park. It was noted that the caravan park fell under the remit of Owermoigne Parish Council and therefore the application was not considered by members.
- 49.4 It was noted that the Smugglers Inn was due to reopen on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- 49.5 Cllr Ireland informed members that an advertisement would be published shortly and would inform residents how they could join the Community Benefit Society that had been recently established.

The meeting ended at 7.45pm.

Chairman

Date