

OSMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
held at the Village Hall on
Monday 1st September 2014**

Members of the Council present:

Cllr Mr NJ Ireland (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs H Ballard
Cllr Mrs CA Dempsey
Cllr Mrs SR Miller
Cllr Mrs G Pearson
Cllr Mr VG White

1. DEMOCRATIC HALF HOUR

215/14 Apologies. DCC Cllr Mr A Canning and WDDC Cllr Mr P Stein had tendered their apologies.

216/14 Public Attendance. One member of the public was in attendance.

217/14 Reports. WDDC Cllr Mrs T Seall gave a briefing on WDDC matters of interest including Police Commissioner funding availability, Charles Street consultation for new plans, an hotel to be replaced by residential flats and the reduction in numbers of parking spaces.

218/14 Declarations of Interest. Nil.

219/14 Grants of Dispensation. There were no requests for Grant of Dispensation.

220/14 Candidate for co-option to the Parish Council. Mrs H Ballard had offered her services to fill the current vacancy. Her co-option was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Pearson and carried in favour unanimously. Cllr Ballard assumed the role of Parish Councillor and took her place at the table.

Planning decisions and related issues

221/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001414 – Expansion of the dairy farm to include the construction of more cow accommodation, a new milking parlour and associated fixed plant at Poxwell Lower Dairy, Access to Lower Dairy Farm, Poxwell, Dorchester DT2 8ND – approved, subject to various conditions including landscaping and screening through tree planting.

222/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001636 - Single storey rear extension at 8 Glebe Close, Osmington, Weymouth DT3 6EY – approved.

223/14 Application Ref. No: WD/TP/14/00213 – T1 Ash crown reduction up to 2m, T2 Cherry crown reduction up to 1-2m and T3 Cherry fell at Rookery Nook, Chapel Lane, Osmington, Weymouth DT3 6ET – approved.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD

224/14 Minutes of the meetings held on 7th and 23rd July 2014 were accepted as true records and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETINGS

225/14 Teenagers' Pagoda. The Clerk had briefed W&PBC on the completion restoration work.

226/14 Planning Applications. The Parish Council's responses to all outstanding Planning Applications had been forwarded to WDDC.

4. PARISH AMENITIES

227/14 Playing Field Report. W&PBC would not be needed for the maintenance of surrounding trees and hedges this year because a satisfactory trim had been achieved by local volunteers. Any further issues would be addressed at the January meeting.

228/14 Broadband Progress. Cllr Ireland reported that Broadband Phase II was due to reach Osmington by Christmas. The final link would need to be arranged through individual users' ISPs. Guidance, generally, was available on Dorsetforyou. Cllr Ireland was continuing to monitor. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLLR IRELAND

229/14 Bench Donation. The stone bench had been placed on the pavement by the Lych Gate, but would need to be secured in place to deter potential thieves. Cllr Ireland stated that he would write a letter of thanks.

ACTION: CLLR IRELAND

230/14 Community Plan. No additional issues were raised. Ongoing.

ACTION: CHAIRMAN

5. PLANNING MATTERS

231/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001804 – Form new vehicular access & erect garage and extend existing garage/hobbies room to form self-contained dwelling at Grove Lodge, Grove Hill, Osmington, Weymouth DT3 6EZ.

The Council raised no objection to this application.

Clerk to forward Council's response to WDDC.

ACTION: CLERK

232/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001912 – Erection of external cold stores, covered link and associated works (in yard area) at the Smugglers Inn, Mills Road, Osmington Mills, Weymouth DT3 6HF.

The Council raised no objection to this application except that a condition of approval should be the requirement to mitigate against noise.

Clerk to forward Council's response to WDDC.

ACTION: CLERK

233/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001598 – Relief of Condition 3 of Application Reference 1/E/04/000284. 'The unit of accommodation authorised by this permission shall be used only for holiday accommodation and not for permanent residential accommodation'. At L Atelier, Grove Farmhouse, Grove Hill, Osmington, Weymouth DT3 6EZ.

The Council raised no objection to this application.

Clerk to forward Council's response to WDDC.

ACTION: CLERK

234/14 Application No: WD/D/14/001939 – Demolition of garage and 1st floor extension over. Demolition of single storey on east side of main building. Construction of 2-storey extension to north of existing building and single storey extension to east of existing building with variation of Condition 5 of planning approval WD/D/14/000022 to allow light tubes to be provided in south roof of rear extension at 3 Upton Cottages, Upton, Ringstead, Dorchester DT2 8NE.

The Council raised no objection to this application.

Clerk to forward Council's response to WDDC.

ACTION: CLERK

6. HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

235/14 Speed Watch Notices. The £68 purchase fee for the two signs had been paid. Responsibility for the custody and operation of the signs would now transfer to the Speed Watch Team.

236/14 Speed Camera. The additional cost of the replacement speed camera had been paid by the Council.

237/14 A353 Traffic Calming Measures. Cllr Ireland had not yet received a reply to the documentation forwarded previously but continued to pursue the matter. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLLR IRELAND

238/14 Osmington Village Access Features. A grant of £750 had been arranged towards masonry for the stones in the original proposal but the Highways engineer vetoed this on the grounds of danger to traffic where the stones would not have enough room to be sufficiently set back from the road. The costs, including that of a licence, despite grant money, would likely be prohibitive. This applied to both ends of the village. An alternative might be to construct 'Dorset Gates' which the Chairman hoped Mr Mike Dempsey might be persuaded to design. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLLR IRELAND

239/14 Highway Maintenance. The Clerk had reported to Highways that vegetation was overgrowing part of the Mills Road between Thyme Cottage and the Ranch House entrance. The landowner(s) have been requested to carry out the necessary work and have agreed to do so.

240/14 Community Plan Footpath. Cllr Pearson reported that some survey work had been carried out by Highways concerning the proposed Osmington Hill footpath.. This work is to be continued. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLLR PEARSON

7. LEGAL AND LAW AND ORDER

241/14 Bonfires. An advisory notice concerning responsible management of garden waste bonfires has been placed on the Osmington website.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS

242/14 Co-option. Achieved, as reported above.

9. MEMBERSHIP OF LOCAL COUNCIL ASSOCIATIONS

243/14 NALC/SLCC. No new issues.

10. COUNCIL AFFAIRS

244/14 Attendance at Meetings/Briefings. Approval was given for Cllr Pearson and the Clerk to attend the Planning Training briefing programmed for 9th October at Kingston Maurward.

245/14 Annual Return. The Annual Return for the financial year ending 31st March 2014 was approved and accepted.

246/14 Parish Standing Orders. The work on editing the NALC revised model orders remains ongoing.

ACTION: CLERK

247/14 Parish Financial Regulations. The NALC revised model regulations were now available but are still subject to certain refinements at source. The Clerk would work on editing this in due course. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLERK

248/14 Forecast of Outturn (FOO). The current forecast for FY14/15 was accepted as presented.

249/14 Cheques endorsed.

8 Aug 14	100740	Os Village Hall (hire fees)	£56.00
8 Aug 14	100741	BDO LLP (FY13/14 audit fees)	£120.00
12 Aug 14	100742	Assoc. of Dorset Watches (Speed Watch signs)	£68.00

250/14 Cheques signed.

1 Sep 14	100743	Mrs Sally Little (new speed camera costs)	£32.96
1 Sep 14	100744	Field2Fence (playfield gate)	£100.00

251/14 Topical Information. Nil reports.

252/14 Bank Account Signatories. Barclays had confirmed the acceptance of the mandate covering the designated signatories for Council outgoing cheque authorisation.

Chairman

Date