

# Osmington Parish Council

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15<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 S Miller and Cllr Mr V White.

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

## **31/20 Public Participation Time**

No matters were raised by members of the public.

## **32/20 Apologies**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor F Groves.

## **33/20 Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation**

Councillor H Ballard and N Ireland declared a personal interest in Item 6.4 as former trustees of the village hall.

Councillor V White declared a pecuniary interest in Item 6.4 as a trustee and the treasurer of the village hall.

## **34/20 Minutes**

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## **35/20 Matters arising from the minutes**

Item 28.1 – Although some work had been completed at Lower Church Lane, further work had been requested by the parish council and refused.

## **36/20 Highways and Rights of Way**

- 36.1 A request for a “no access to beach” sign at Shortlake Lane had been submitted and approved by Dorset Council.
- 36.2 The stile near to White Horse Farm had been repaired.
- 36.3 The signpost near to Margaret’s seat had been temporarily repaired and a permanent repair would take place in time.
- 36.4 The overgrown footpath at the side of Craig’s Dairy had been cleared.
- 36.5 The overgrown diversion path to Osmington Beach, near to North Hill Manor had been cleared.
- 36.6 The path to Osmington Beach had been strimmed and further work would take place in time.

## **37/20 Finance**

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

37.2 The Clerk, as RFO, presented the final accounts for the financial year 2019/20 for approval by the Parish Council in advance of the annual audit process.

It was **resolved** that the final accounts be approved.

37.3 The Clerk explained the process for the audit regime and the requirement to complete a Certificate of Exemption.

It was **resolved** that the Certificate of Exemption be signed by the Chairman and submitted to the External Auditor.

37.4 The application for Section 137 grant funding was deferred until further clarity had been sought on some matters raised.

**Action by: The Clerk**

**38/20 Council Matters**

38.1 Members briefly discussed the play area inspection.

38.2 Cllr. S Miller informed members that the public conveniences at Osmington Mills were now being cleaned. Excess rubbish which had been left by visitors had also been removed. It was noted that the scheduled day to empty bins at Osmington Mills may be changed to Monday, instead of Tuesday, which would no doubt be of benefit especially after busy weekends.

38.3 Cllr. Ireland informed members that a Community Benefit Society had been set up in relation to the Sly Fox.

The meeting ended at 7.30pm.

Chairman

Date