

Osmington Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 4th July 2022 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Mr N Ireland (Chairman and DC Councillor), 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) and 2 members of the public.

40/22 Public Participation Time

- 40.1 A resident asked the parish council whether they would support a request to Dorset Council to place an Article 4 directive for The Creek Caravan Park and The Orchard. The Chairman agreed that this would be added to the next meeting agenda for consideration.
- 40.2 A resident queried planning application P/VOC/2022/03781, Mallard House, Chapel Lane, Osmington, DT3 6ET and it was confirmed that the application was to vary Condition 3 of the existing planning permission to change the type of windows.

41/22 Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. Mrs H Ballard.

42/22 Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation

No declarations of interest or grants of dispensation were received.

43/22 Minutes

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meetings held on 9th May and 30th May 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the addition of the word "Upper" in minute 31.2 and to replace the word residents with owners in minute 33.2.

44/22 Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

45/22 Planning Matters

The following planning decision was noted: -

- 45.1 **P/HOU/2022/03111** – Sherwood, Upton Fort Road, Osmington Mills, DT3 6HH – Erect rear single storey extension following demolition of existing conservatory, erection of a rear glazed canopy, alteration of existing dormer windows and internal alterations – **Granted**.

The following planning application/s were considered: -

- 45.2 **P/VOC/2022/03781** – Mallard House, Chapel Lane, Osmington, DT3 6ET - Erect house and garage, construct new vehicular access (with variation of Condition 3 of planning permission 1/E/91/000630 – to change type of windows).

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

46/22 Parish Amenities

- 46.1 Cllr. White informed members that he was looking at funding options for the upgrade of the play area equipment and would report his findings to a future meeting. He also raised the issue of the recent grass cuts and how the standard of the cuts has reduced significantly in recent months. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the grass contractors to arrange an on-site meeting as soon as possible.
- 46.2 The Clerk updated members on the requirements for the play area inspections as identified in the internal audit. Members discussed the options available to the parish council and Cllr. White confirmed that he was happy to carry on with the monthly inspections and would undertake a course to gain the ROSPA qualification needed to do so.
- It was **resolved** that Cllr. White attends a 2-day course at a cost of £755.00 plus expenses.
- 46.3 The Clerk confirmed that the smallest litter bin available to be serviced was 90L.
- It was **resolved** that subject to a site inspection by Dorset Waste Services, a litter bin near to the bus stop at Plough Close be approved and ordered.
- 46.4 It was **resolved** that the Annual Village Clean would be undertaken on Saturday 10th September 2022. Cllr. Ireland would arrange for the necessary equipment to be provided.
- 46.5 The new phone box was ready to be installed once the defibrillator had been removed and the electrics checked. Cllr. Ireland would arrange for the equipment to be removed.

47/22 Highways and Rights of Way

- 47.1 Lower Church Lane was scheduled for resurfacing works at the end of July.
- 47.2 Cllr. White informed members that a refuse lorry had been prevented from accessing Shortlake Lane by PGL staff. He had since spoken to the manager at PGL and this had been resolved.

48/22 Finance

- 48.1 The cashbook balances, budget report and bank reconciliation were received and approved.
- 48.2 It was **resolved** to approve the following payments: -

WWCS Grass cutting – May and June	£374.22
Paula Harding – Internal Audit 2021/22	£57.75
Leigh Johnson – salary/expenses – May and June	£771.44
HMRC Tax – May and June	£93.80
Osmington Village Hall Hire – 30 th May and 4 th July	£36.00
DAPTC Annual Subscription	£224.02
Leigh Johnson – Reimbursement for play area signage	£27.42
The Parish Noticeboard Company – 50% deposit	£1539.00
Fran Groves – Reimbursement for Jubilee tree and associated costs	£174.88

49/22 Council Matters

- 49.1 Cllr. Ireland informed members that litter bins had not been emptied over a period of 3 weeks. This should now have been resolved.
- 49.2 Cllr. Miller raised concerns that dog mess bags were put in recycling bins at Osmington Mills. This contaminated the recycling and was more of an issue in the peak holiday periods.
- 49.3 Cllr. Groves confirmed that the Queen's Platinum Jubilee tree had been planted and the plaque installed. Cllr. Groves had provided the Clerk with some photographs of the planting event which would be added to the website shortly.
- 49.4 It was noted that the recent Jubilee street party had been a huge success and well attended by residents.
- 49.5 Cllr. White informed members that his neighbour had raised an issue regarding the large ash tree bordering his property. He had been informed by Sky that the height of the tree interfered with the reception received by the satellite dish and asked if the parish council would consider reducing the height of the tree. It was agreed that this would be added to the next meeting agenda for further consideration.

The meeting ended at 7.41pm.

Chairman

Date