

**Minutes of the FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of
Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council
Held at the Sixpenny Handley Parish Office on 24th October 2024 @ 7:30pm.**

Item		Action By
	<p style="text-align: center;">1 member of the public open session present.</p> <p>1. Repeated concerns were raised by local resident regarding the safety concerns of local garage 6d Diesel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple cars block visibility splays.• Too many vehicles on one site increasing the fire risk• Thatched cottages nearby that have an increase fire risk <p>The visibility splays improved for a short time following a visit in July from the Parish Council but the situation has resumed. The health and safety of nearby residents and passing vehicles are at risk.</p> <p>2. The increasing speed of traffic along Dean Lane is causing concern and as it is close to a 'playground' in Keats Meadow - a request to implement a 20mph speed restriction.</p> <p>3. Is the PC still searching for a replacement Downsman Editor?</p> <p>Parish Council comment:</p> <p>The PC will contact Rushmore Estate to formally address potential health & Safety concerns.</p> <p>The PC will contact Highways SID Team to discuss the feasibility of carrying out a traffic survey.</p> <p>Following the success of previous letters to recruit Downsman distributors Cllr McLean offered to write a personal letter to all village residents to recruit a new Editor. The PC agreed that the Downsman was a valuable asset and it would be very disappointing to lose it.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SMc</p>
1417	<p>Attendance & Apologies Cllr J Reed (Chairman) Cllr R Hassall Cllr D Adams Cllr A Turner Cllr I Mereweather Cllr S McLean Cllr R Adams Cllr D Chick</p> <p>Also in Attendance Mr Piers Brown (Chase Councillor) Mrs Ciona Nicholson (Clerk)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr S Meaden (Vice Chairman) Cllr C Taylor</p>	

	<p>Declarations of Interest & Grants for Dispensation</p> <p>None</p> <p>The following members declare non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to:</p> <p>Cllr Colin Taylor – Pentridge Village Hall & SH Village Hall 1st Woodcutt Scouts Cllr James Reed – Community Land Trust & Community Speed-watch Cllr Andy Turner – Community Land Trust/Skate-park Fundraising Group/Sustainable Handley. Cllr David Adams – Sixpenny Handley Sports Facilities/ Allotment Association Cllr Rosalie Adams – Sixpenny Handley Village Hall / CCIO Cllr Simon Meaden – 1st Woodcutt Scouts/Allotment Association.</p>	
	<p>Dorset Council Cranborne Chase Councillor Piers Brown – Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live animals will no longer be legally offered as prizes on Dorset Council owned land. A motion was approved by Dorset Council. • Dorset Council voted unanimously to oppose the Government’s cut to the winter fuel allowance. • Dorset Council are considering the sale of assets including hotels and farms which form part of their £441m property portfolio. Members voted to approve a six-year plan to review all of the Council’s properties, disposing of some and making better use of others. 	
	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 26th September 2024.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. <i>Unanimous</i></p>	
	<p>Matters arising from the last Full Parish Council Meeting held 26th September 2024.</p> <p>Clerk contacted Wessex Internet regarding the WIFI installation at the Village Hall – WI confirmed the design was as at full capacity, extra nodes/chambers were required and was awaiting confirmation of further technical plans. Cllr Turner to contact WI to suggest using unused cables from Common Road.</p> <p>The Street Naming Services confirmed the Developers preferred choice of naming the Back Lane development as ‘Bramble Close’.</p> <p>The drafted letter to property owner of 12 Common Road regarding the misuse of access for Airbnb residents to be sent.</p> <p>There is no progress with the EV Charging project – delays with the power company.</p> <p>The County’s dog warden has confirmed patrols at the Recreation Ground in Sixpenny Handley will take place although has not committed to a date. Cllr Brown to follow-up on behalf of the PC.</p>	<p>AT</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>PB</p>

	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last F&GP Parish Council Meeting held 5th September 2024.</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting having been previously circulated to members were confirmed as correct and was signed by the Chairman. <i>Unanimous</i></p>	
	<p>Confirm the minutes of the last Planning Meeting Parish Council Meeting due to be held 23rd October 2024.</p> <p>The scheduled Planning meeting was cancelled.</p>	
	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>Cllr Mereweather gave clarification to members that the Skateboard project had reached the point of instructing Maverick to submit an application for permitted development of the current Skate-park. Cllr Turner who is independently committed to supporting this venture was keen to confirm reaffirmation of the PCs commitment and land allocation for the project.</p> <p>Cllr Turner presented the Parish Council with a comprehensive Power-point presentation which incorporated the following:</p> <p>Identified the project's main objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebuild the Skate-park with an extension of the existing area approved by the PC. • Engagement with the Parish Council on the construction and use of the skate-park – a focus on the young people of the village to ensure it is fit for purpose. • Raise funds to rebuild the skate-park through skateboard related grants and project funding activities. <p>The Power-point focus areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current skate-park condition – very poor and isn't fit for purpose. • Plans of how the skate-park could look. • The objectives already achieved. • The outcome of consultation with local specialist Skateboard fabricator. • A review of questionnaire responses. • A review of the plans for the allocated land. • The build & access logistics. • The next step to apply for Permitted Development. <p>The design is to create a safe environment for skateboards, BMX, wheelchairs, scooters and other wheeled sports users. To be a positive, diversionary activity for people of all ages. A unique and personal design and construction sympathetic to the surrounding landscape and offers interest for spectators and passers-by.</p> <p>The power point presentation provided informative reassurances which were appreciated by all members that were present. Acknowledgement and praise for the enormous amount of work and commitment the project team have given already to get this project to get to this point."</p>	

	<p>Parish Council members' questions & comments:</p> <p>Q: Members noted that as land owner for the life of the 'asset' would be the responsible for the on-going maintenance.</p> <p>A: The PC would be accepting of building additional funds into its budget whilst acknowledging maintenance costs of a concrete skate-park are generally very low. The project will identify the budget necessary to address the maintenance during the build phase.</p> <p>Q: Significant concerns raised by many local residents presented to Parish Councillors included: is this the right project for our community? Would an all-weather facility be a better more appropriate use of public money?</p> <p>A: This is <u>not</u> public money being spent on a Skate-park project. This is also not a PC initiative; it is a project created by locals to rebuild an existing skate-park. It is important to understand that the PC does not have a fund of money that is being used to build a skate-park. Without the desire and drive to improve facilities by the project team, there would be no funds available."</p> <p>The Cranborne Chase Councillor's comment:</p> <p>Cllr Brown acknowledged the incredible work and ambition the project has and if successful will be the envy of a large area. Sixpenny Handley already has a lot of good quality sports facilities and this would complete the fantastic resources – Inspiring!</p> <p>Members <u>resolved unanimously</u> to support the continuation of the project and agreed the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirmed approval of the land allocation letter of March 2024. 2. Accepted the future submission of grant applications (as landowner) will be by the Parish Council. 3. Accepted future contracts issued for the project will be from the Parish Council (as landowner). <p>A copy of the presentation would be circulated to all members of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Back Lane Development - Enquiry</p> <p>The Clerk received correspondence from residents of 12 Littlefield Lane regarding the development of 22 properties on Back Lane. The new residents had not been aware of the development before moving into their property in 2023. Copies of the relevant minutes were sent which outlined the planning process.</p> <p>Cllr Mereweather advised (out of meeting) for the residents to contact the Case Officer at Dorset Planning to discuss the impact of the development and to contact the Developer with specific concerns as the build has not yet commenced.</p>	<p>JR/Clerk</p>
	<p>DAPTC Matters</p> <p>DAPTC AGM is to be held on 23rd November 2024. DAPTC are offering various training opportunities.</p>	

	Highways Matters Members continue to monitor car repairs being carried out on the carriageway in Sheasby Close.	All
	Rights of Ways No matters to report.	
	Remembrance Day Arrangements – 10th November 2024 The road closure permit has been arranged – Local Community Speed Watch Team are happy to organise actual road closure. Clerk to check the appropriate wreaths have been ordered.	Clerk
	Allotment Association Matters The Common Road Allotment Manager confirmed x3 plot holders need to received 'overgrown plot' letters. Clerk to contact John Curtis to confirm.	Clerk
	Correspondence – Circulated to members prior to the meeting*. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dorset Council Update circulated prior to FPC 24/10/24• Dorset Business News circulated prior to FPC 24/10/24• DAPTC E-news circulated prior to the FPC 24/10/24• Plus Bus service information was given to Crossroad café patrons – Dorset Community Transport. Clerk to invite DCT to discuss the possibility of introducing a new route.	Clerk
	Information to Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The AED Zoll defibrillator is back on line at the local shop with new batteries.• TEEC completed a free of charge update to comply with improving access for users of the website with cognitive learning or mobility disabilities.• A very successful evening arranged by Cllr Meaden announced an education/social evening for all members of the Parish Council at Martin Green's Down Farm Museum on October 10th @7.00pm.• Clerk to replace 'What Three Words' location on the Recreation Ground defibrillator.	
	Approve Parish Council Communication Report. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Further Dog Warden patrol information to be distributed – Clerk to confirm.	Clerk/AT

Meeting Closed 9.15pm

These minutes are to be signed by the Chairman after approval
at the next Full meeting of the Parish Council.

Signed;..... 28th November 2024