

Minutes of a meeting of Church Knowle Parish Council
held in the Furzebrook Village Hall
at 6:30pm on Tuesday 8th August, 2023

PRESENT

Council Members:

Cllr Mr Derek Burt [DB] (Chair)
Cllr Mr Howard Fry [HF] (Vice-chair)
Cllr Mrs Jayne Wilson [JW]
Cllr Mr Carl Grice [CG]
Cllr Mr Will Slack [WS]

Clerk to the Parish Council:

Mr Andrew Parsons [AP]

C. K Parishioners & Members of the public:

Lesley and Vince Elliott
Rob Cawley
David Wilson
Robin Gwinnett
Sue Lewis

Dorset Council

Cllr Cherry Brookes

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

257.23 Apologies for non-attendance were received from Cllr Billa Edwards and Cllr Hazel Parker.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

258.23 There were no declarations of interest and it was established that no-one was recording the meeting. Cllr Wilson said that if there was a discussion and resolution on camping at Grange Road that she would abstain.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

259.23 It was observed that there is increasing commercial activity at the Blue Pool and there is no record of any planning permission having been sought for this.

260.23 A complaint was raised that the CCTV at the Blue Pool covers an area outside of the Blue Pool that includes part of the public highway. There should be clear signs indicating the presence of CCTV and the regulations regarding CCTV will be consulted.

261.23 It was noted that there was development taking place at Furzebrook Farm.

262.23 Cllr Grice said that he had negotiated a fee of £30 per household for an annual pass to Kimmeridge for residents of Church Knowle and Steeple. The estate requires a block booking and a lump sum payment. It will not deal with individuals. The administration of this will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Clerk noted that at a previous meeting (088.23 14th March 2023) it was decided that it was inappropriate for the Parish Council to be involved in commercial negotiations of this type and would remain at arm's length. The annual fee arrangement will be noted in the Corfe Valley News and interested parties will be invited to express an interest.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

263.23 It was proposed by Cllr Wilson that Cllr Burt take the Chair, seconded by Cllr Grice and passed unanimously. Cllr Slack proposed Cllr Fry as Vice Chairman, seconded by Cllr Wilson and passed unanimously.

VACANCIES FOR PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBER

264.23 There are currently two vacancies for Parish Councillors which are being advertised through the usual channels. No new applications have been received.

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11th JULY

265.23 The minutes which had previously been circulated were read. There was some dispute over the proposed insertion (233.23) and it was agreed that with this struck out and put on the agenda for the next meeting these were a true record of proceedings.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING

266.23 No matters arising.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

267.23 The Clerk reported that funding was available for the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan and that he could apply for this. It was agreed that the Clerk would apply for the available grant and that the steering committee would reconvene to take the Plan through to completion.

PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Applications

268.23 **P/CLE/2023/03804** The New Inn – Lawful certificate for existing use – campsite.

The Council is aware that camping has been active at the New Inn for a good many years. The resolution to support the application but with reservations expressed with regard to motorhomes and fire safety was proposed by JW seconded by HF and passed unanimously.

269.23 **P/TRD/2023/04538** Brick Cottage – Fell dead tree.

The tree officer has made a note that felling dead trees does not require permission.

New Secondary Legislation (S.I. 747) applicable to camping

It was proposed by JW and seconded by CG that the Council has No Objection. This was passed by a vote of 4 for, 1 against [DB] and 1 abstention [HF].

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

270.23 The Clerk reported that the application for a 30mph speed limit in Church Knowle had been supported by the ward councillor, that the application was properly submitted, being considered and that there was nothing more for the Council to do.

THE CEMETERY

271.23 **Administration and Applications**

An application for cemetery plot has been received from Robbie Williams whose family used to run the New Inn. The resolution to approve his application was proposed by CG, seconded by HF and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

ACCOUNTS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL FROM 14th MAY 2023 TO C.O.B, 11th JULY 2023

272.23 The accounts were examined and approved. It was noted that there was an error in applying the £3.05 interest to the Playground account. The clerk is to correct this and resubmit the accounts at the next meeting.

SETTLEMENT OF INVOICES PAYABLE AT THE MEETING

273.23 The Chairman and Clerk presented the invoices payable. These were examined and the resolution to accept and pay the invoices was proposed by JW, seconded by WS and passed unanimously. All of the invoices were duly paid.

274.23 It was decided to defer discussion on a contingency spending facility for Councillors until the next meeting.

ITEMS IN PROGRESS

275.23 Council website – An external contractor is required to maintain this. Replies to the invitations to expression an interest in the Corfe Valley News have been received over some months and these will be contacted and collated to present to the Council.

276.23 The house with no roof – The Clerk has contacted the owner who says that he will be engaging a builder in the near future and will be finishing the work. The Clerk said that his enquiries had revealed that if the building was not listed the owner was under no obligation to maintain it and there was nothing the Council could do.. .

CORRESPONDENCE

277.23 - No correspondence -

OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DEEMS OF IMPORTANCE

278.23 No other items.

PERIOD FOR DISCUSSION

279.23 Complaints have been received about cars parking on the new H-bar and obstructing both the turning space for the turn off and also the driveways of the properties nearby.

280.23 The Clerk reported in response to the assertion by Cllr Brookes (item 236.23) that she had emailed a Dorset Council report, he had checked the inbox and no such report had been sent.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 AGENDA

281.23 The following additional items were proposed for inclusion in the September 2023 Agenda:
- Councillors' contingency spending.
- A report on the Kimmeridge local pass.

NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

282.23 The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be held at the Church Knowle Village Hall on Tuesday 12th September at 6-30pm.

283.23 There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:10pm

Approved by Chairman :..... Date:.....