

BUCKLAND NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday 13 August 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Present: Chair Cllr Nicki Barker, Vice Chair Cllr Mark Needham (MN), Vice Chair Cllr Jane Collins (JC), Cllr Chris Osmond (CO), Cllr Sam Sowerby (SS), Cllr Andy Foot (AF), Cllr Lin Townsend (LT)

Clerk: Sarah Mitchell (SM)

Item	Detail	Action
1	<p>Period of Public Questions Cllr Barker welcomed everyone to the meeting. Housekeeping - Fire Exits were indicated and a request for mobile phones to be switched off or turned to silent.</p>	
1	<p><u>Community Police Officer</u> – PCSO 6500 Alison Donnison – Report received. Crimes Reported 12-07-19 – 08-08-19 16/7/19 - Theft from motor vehicle (linked to theft of quadbike), Buckland Newton 16/7/19 - Theft of quadbike, Buckland Newton 4/8/19 - Badger sett disturbed, Buckland Newton</p> <p>Other issues/notices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 2019 – Launch of Neighbourhood Engagement Contracts (NEC) by Dorset Police (see website) • National firearms and knife campaign • DorsetRoadSafe.org.uk/Choices campaign #ChoicesForHumanity <p>Please continue to report any incidents or suspicious circumstances by either calling 101 or reporting online via the Dorset Police website on the “Contact Us” section. Information and advice is also regularly posted on the Dorchester Police Facebook page and via DorsetAlert.</p> <p>Parish Clerk to put an article in the LVN asking parishioners to be neighbourly and vigilant and to report anything suspicious that they see.</p>	SM
2	<p><u>Dorset Councillor (Chalk Valley) Cllr Jill Haynes</u> – Report received. Things are very quiet meeting wise through July and August. Much of the effort for officers is around the new council restructure. It has been reported in the press over 500 job losses but this is not quite true. 500 posts have been deleted but new posts have been set up which those whose role has been deleted will preference for. There will be consultation with both the staff involved and their managers and so further changes will happen as a result of that work. None the less it will mean approximately 250 people will lose their jobs in this phase as the six councils merge into one.</p> <p>It has been decided not to progress with the individual district council Local Plans and work for a new Dorset Council Plan to-be ready by early 2024.</p> <p>A number of concerns have been raised by the public and Councillors and some of these will be considered by Executive Advisory Panels which have been set up. These include Climate Change New Local Plan Working with Towns and Parishes Economic Growth Transitions for those with a learning difficulty from children to adult care.</p> <p>The council is working very quickly to create a Corporate plan and there will be a workshop in early September for Councillors to discuss the way forward. It is really important that this is in</p>	

	<p>place as soon as possible as this document will show the future ambition to officers when looking policies for the council.</p> <p>There continues to be extreme pressure in the children's and adults budgets. We are raising this in the strongest terms with central government as the grant formula for Dorset's the second worst in the country despite our very elderly population. In Addition South Dorset MP constituency's population is the second most deprived area in England. This is due to the serious areas of deprivation in Weymouth and Portland. In truth there are small pockets right across the county but in statistics they are lost due to relative affluence elsewhere. Meanwhile we are about £10 million overspent on the children's and school SEN budgets and over£2M for adults. There are good reserves so this can be covered short term but it cannot continue into future years.</p>	
3	<p><u>Parishioner correspondence/Issues Raised</u> – Self-help group within the village - Cllr Barker and Cllr Collins to attend next meeting. Parish Clerk to find out progress on the updated version of the very useful directory.</p>	SM
2	<p>Apologies C Cllr J Haynes (JH) – another meeting Cllr R Godwin (RG) - holiday Cllr John Baker (JB) - unwell</p> <p>Accepted as valid by the Parish Council.</p>	
3	<p>Registers of Interest None</p>	
4	<p>Minutes of Last Meeting held Wednesday 10 July 2019 were Passed, Agreed and signed. <i>Proposed Cllr Osmond, Seconded Cllr Collins, AIF</i></p>	
5	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>1 Allotment Hedge – The tenancy agreement states, that it is down to the tenant to keep the hedges and ditches in good order. Cllr Foot will partially trim the hedge back within the next week, to help with visibility. He will then trim the hedge some more in the Autumn, when the hedge has died back</p> <p>2 Insurance for Fraud – Parish Clerk has checked with the bank, which states that any monies taken by fraud will be refunded, provided security information has been kept safe.</p> <p>3 BT Internet connection in Parish Pavilion - £50.00 for a new line, plus £8.50 for router. Cheapest package at the moment is £20.99 for telephone and broadband. Parish Clerk to advise that superfast should be available to the Parish Room. Cllr Townsend to obtain comparative prices from elsewhere.</p> <p>4 Tree Risk Assessment – this has now been done. Parish Clerk to obtain quotes for the work that needs to be done.</p> <p>5 Overgrown hedge has been trimmed back. Parish Clerk to write a thank you.</p>	AF
6	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>1 WD/D/19/001686 YEW TREE COTTAGE, WOOLFORDS WATER, BUCKLAND NEWTON, DT2 7DP New conservatory to rear of property. <i>Comments by 17 August 2019 – Parish Council support as it does not affect any other property and is in keeping with the original building.</i></p> <p>2 WD/D/19/001126 KNAP FARM, LOCKETTS LANE, BUCKLAND NEWTON, DT2 7BS Repair existing track surface by rebuilding and regrading with imported stone and soil. <i>Comments by 24 August 2019 – The Parish Council support the repair of the existing track.</i></p>	SM/LT SM

3	<p>WD/D/19/001450 3 LANDSCOMBE VALE, BUCKLAND NEWTON, DORCHESTER, DT2 7BH Erect first floor balcony on east elevation, remove window and install doors to access balcony. <i>30.7.19 – Approval of Planning Permission.</i></p>																																																						
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2	<p>Parish Field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A final layer of dust is being applied to the all-weather track. • The family sports day has been cancelled • Cllr Foot has re-nailed post and rail fence around the parish field – it was noted that this would need to be replaced during the next two years. • The metal fence will also need to be replaced during the next two years. <p>Parish Clerk to make a note for the budget setting.</p>	
3	<p>Play Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly assessment has been carried out. Nothing to report. • Outstanding items from the inspection. Parish Clerk to forward details to Cllr Foot, for him to investigate. 	AF
4	<p>Parish Pound</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree risk assessment has been done. 	
5	<p>Telephone Box</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Clerk sent in photographs requesting a re-paint of the telephone boxes. The Parish Council have been advised that there is going to be a 42 day consultation period about de-commissioning the telephones. After discussion it was agreed that an article should be put in the LVN and on the Community Facebook page, urging parishioners to write in and state that they would like the telephone boxes to remain working. It was also suggested that a petition for people to sign should be held at the shop and at the Gaggle of Geese. 	SM
6	<p>Parish Room/Parish Field Refurbishment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The main room has been plastered and decorated. • Lights are fitted. • Work needs to be finished by the end of August. Cllr Foot and Cllr Barker to monitor • It was agreed that the area in front of the road by the pavilion should be gravelled to make it tidy. The Land Registry map has been consulted and it is owned by the Parish Council. • A grand opening of the Parish Pavilion is to be held on Sunday 22 September at 3.00 pm, with tea and cakes in the pavilion. Weather permitting a fun run will be held around the new trackway with prizes given to first adult and child, wearing fancy dress. • Cllr Barker to price benches to be placed by the pavilion. • Cllr Barker to arrange new signage for Parish Pavilion. 	AF/NB NB
10	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset Highways - Travel & transport news • On-line survey being run by the NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group. • Re: Polling arrangements review – emailed suggesting the use of the Parish Pavilion. • DEADLINE 6TH AUGUST 2019 - DAPTC AGM 2019 timetable and proposal process • Wessex Resolutions CIC - Parish Advert and Editorial 	
11 1	<p>Other Matters/Items for Agenda of Next Meeting</p> <p>None</p>	
No voice recording was made at this meeting.		

Next Meeting – Tuesday 10 September 2019 – 7.30 pm, Parish Pavilion
The meeting concluded at 9.51 pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____