

The Planning & Environment Committee

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting

held via Zoom video conference on:

Tuesday 20th October 2020 @ 6:45pm

Present:

Councillors: Mr R. Tizzard (Chairman), Mr T. Carty (Vice-Chairman), Mr R. Lockety, Mr T. Campbell, Cllr. L MacArthur.

In attendance:

Miss N Hetherington – Deputy Parish Clerk
Cllr. T Watts
Cllr. A Barr
One member of the public

Public Question and Comment Time:

1 member of the public joined the meeting at 6.45pm to update the committee on the progress with the addressing of concerns raised at the last meeting about the impact of the activities of Stalbridge Linens/Johnson's on the quality of life of residents of Old Tannery Way. Members were thanked for the letter written to the company; South Somerset District Council have now also responded. Manager Dan Stenhouse has reported that the company intends to address to one degree or another most of the issues concerning noise, lint extraction and the maintenance of the riverbank. Cllr. Tizzard commented that he was very pleased to hear that the lines of communication were open and requested that the committee be kept informed regarding anticipated future progress.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
1	Apologies for Absence: Cllrs. Austin Fletcher and Robert Lockety
2	Declarations of Interest: In relation to agenda Item 4, Cllr. Tizzard noted that he knows the applicant and Cllr. Carty noted that he lives in the vicinity of Station Road (Item 11(a/ii).
3	Adoption of previous committee minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tuesday 15th September 2020 Minutes from the meeting of 15 th September 2020 were adopted unanimously.
	Planning, Tree and Licensing Applications made to South Somerset District Council:

4	<p>Application 1</p> <p>Application Reference & deadline for response: 20/02143/HOU, 28th October 2020 What is proposed? Erection of a first storey extension above original garage Where is it proposed? 17 Redwing Road, Milborne Port</p> <p>Supported subject to conditions suggested tree officer Philip Poulton.</p>
5	<p>Planning and Environment Committee Budget Update: The latest budget spending information was received.</p> <p>Cllr. Carty commented that the indicated overspend for the Neighbourhood Plan should be recoverable via a grant application that will be left as late as possible in the financial year in order to ensure that as many costs as possible are covered.</p>
6	<p>Parking Restrictions Consultation Process</p> <p>Cllr. Carty reported that Somerset County Council are recommending that the Parish Council applies for the parking restrictions/parking bays that were discussed in the Summer with Gary Warren of SCC and members of the council, which were then presented in a report to Full Council in August by mid-November; this would then trigger a consultation period of 21 days handled by SCC. This is because SCC will not consider a short section restriction. The result of this is that there would now be no time for a MPPC-managed consultation of the parish's residents.</p> <p>Members resolved to make a recommendation at the next Full Council meeting so that a decision can be made on how to proceed: either to (a) accept all or some of the recommendations made by SCC for the improvement of safety of the High Street and other identified sections of the A30 (with the option of the <i>entire</i> stretch of the A30 being included) and instruct SCC accordingly or (b) request that SCC do nothing at this stage, allowing time for an MPPC-managed consultation period, although a request after mid-November would mean that the Parish Council would have to meet the costs of works done before the next round of works planning next Autumn.</p> <p>Cllr. Tizzard proposed that Cllr. Carty and the Deputy Clerk prepare a report for Full Council, outlining the reasons for the revised situation and making the recommendation in more detail; all voted in favour.</p> <p>Action: Cllr. Carty & Deputy Clerk to prepare document for next Full Council meeting on 3rd November.</p>
7	<p>Grit Bins</p> <p>Members resolved to request a new grit bin location from Somerset County Council in the Pope Lane/West Hill area.</p> <p>Action: Deputy Clerk to contact Somerset County Council Highways Department for permissions.</p>
8	<p>South Somerset District Council's Briefing Paper</p> <p>Members discussed 'The Future of Planning – White Paper' and a range of views were exchanged in preparation for responding to the appropriate government body by 29th October. Given the complexity and number of the issues, Cllr. Tizzard proposed that</p>

	<p>members concentrate on issues of particular relevance to Milborne Port and where it is felt that responses could make a difference. It was resolved that Cllr. Carty would consult with Cllr. Tizzard and then circulate a document with iterations of his previous responses which will be contributed to by other members of the P&E Committee.</p> <p>Action: Cllr. Carty to circulate document in time for others to feed back and contribute before deadline of 29th October.</p>
9	<p>Community Hub</p> <p>Progress & updates from the Community Hub group: a draft business plan has been produced by Cllr. Tizzard and Rick Jones; a combined community use of the building is envisaged; representatives of the History & Heritage Group and the Library are also involved; other users are anticipated; funding difficult to attract at this conceptual stage but there are some positive signs regarding corporate sponsorship; ambition is to fund any costs over and above current contributions from the Parish Council, Friends of Milborne Port Library and the History & Heritage Group relating to completion/fitting out and ongoing maintenance through sponsorship and grants.</p>
10	<p>Budget 2021/22: P&E Projects</p> <p>Proposals of projects & costings to undertake from April 2021</p> <p>Members discussed various ideas and possible costings of some anticipated projects and will report back at the next meeting with budget proposals: Cllr. Tizzard in liaison with Cllr. Lock – Community Hub; Cllr. MacArthur – Cycling feasibility study; Cllrs. Campbell & Carty – Streetscape improvements; Cllr. Carty – Neighbourhood Plan/professional consultation</p> <p>Action: Members to research and prepare to feed back on 17th November.</p>
11	<p>Other Verbal Updates:</p> <p>a) Current housing development applications</p> <p>i) Redcliffe/Wheathill Lane (RT, TCar, TCam) It is understood that Redcliffe are in the process of sorting out their option agreement with the landowners. Cllr. Dyke has been helpful in soliciting response regarding definition of 'shell and core'.</p> <p>ii) Station Road (RT, TCar, TCam) MPPC's responses to the appeal have been submitted (10 and 30 houses). Many thanks to Cllr. Carty for the work done on that; Cllr. Carty commented that SSDC had done some very good work themselves. This is the first time that the process has seen the ECJ ruling re. phosphates and nitrates come into play; Milborne Port is in a surface water catchment area and there is an issue with phosphates which will considerably impact upon planning procedures; Cllr Tizzard will introduce this topic as an agenda item for the next meeting.</p> <p>iii) Other recent news/information (All)</p>

Nothing to report.

b) Neighbourhood Plan (TCar, TCam)

No further updates.

c) Construction Management of Active Sites (TCam)

It is not yet known how many houses at the Bovis development but Cllr. Watts believes that there are 10-15 occupied houses now; this needs to be monitored in relation to the S106 money trigger points.

d) Highways Issues (TCar, TCam)

No further updates.

(Cllr. Campbell left the meeting at 8.05pm)

e) Infrastructure (S106) Projects: Sports & Recreation (RT, RL, LM)

RT had circulated information provided by SSDC's Rob Parr before the meeting: S106 Funding Summary; SSDC Community Infrastructure Levy Regulation 124 List. Cllr. Macarthur and Cllr. Lockey had a meeting with a rep from a provider of play equipment; Cllr. Lockey to be asked to report back at our next meeting and to chase Rob Parr for his suggestions for both Gainsborough and Springfield Road play areas.

Actions: Cllr. MacArthur to liaise with Cllr. Lockey regarding Rob Parr's progress towards designs/ideas for Springfield & Gainsborough playparks.

f) Outdoor Recreation Initiatives (All)

Cllr. Tizzard to speak again to the Cricket Club about the poor condition of the cricket nets at Springfield.

g) Cycling Initiatives (LM)

Cllr. Campbell reported having walked the possible safe-cycling route to the north of the A30 via Osborne from Milborne Port to Sherborne with Cllr. MacArthur and they will summarise their findings and proposals in a document in time for the next meeting. Cllr. MacArthur reported that she has been liaising with Sherborne Transport Action Group who are not supportive of this route, although Digby Estates would be (it is believed that they own some of the land involved with this route); Cllr. MacArthur will seek further clarification on Digby Estate's stance. Digby Estate are not willing to consider a route to the south of the A30 because they find that the existing rights of way across their property are burdensome enough without adding more.

Action: Cllrs. Campbell & MacArthur to prepare formal feedback at the next meeting and circulate a plan so that members can envisage this route.

End of formal meeting 8.15pm

Signed: _____

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