

THROOP AND HOLDENHURST VILLAGE COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th October 2021 at 7pm at Village Hall,
Holdenhurst Village Road, Dorset. BH8 OEE

Present: -

Chairman: Cllr S R Fisher

Vice-Chairman: Cllr L W Sabih

Cllr T Blackmore, Cllr N J Corcoran, Cllr J-A Houldey, Cllr M J Waters

Apologies: Cllr B Storrs

Members of the public present: 2.

Cllr Waters introduced Sue Myatt who volunteered to take the minutes of the meeting in the absence of a Clerk.

Members of the press present: None

1. Apologies for Absence (063/21)

Apologies received from Cllr B Storrs.

2. Declarations of Interest (064/21)

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (065/21)

Cllr Waters highlighted amendments to the minutes from 8th September to clarify that Cllr B Storrs was not present.

Minute No.59 paragraph 2 should read *Dorset County Council had looked* instead of *Dorset County Council had looed*.

Proposed by Cllr Blackmore that the minutes be approved subject to the amendments above.

Seconded by Cllr Cocoran

Voting: Unanimous.

Signed by Chairman

4. Announcements (066/21)

Chairman proposed to write Mr Philip Broadhead to invite him to the next THVC Parish meeting following the comment he made when he recently spent an evening with Hurn Parish Council residents and said, 'as part of my ongoing visits to parish and town councils across the BCP area'. Mr Broadhead is the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning and Deputy Leader of the Council,

Seconded by Cllr Cocoran

Voting: Unanimous.

Cllr Houldey proposed the Chairman write a letter to obtain more information regarding the BCP Cabinet Agenda item for meeting on 9th February 2022 Cemeteries Rules & Regulations.
Seconded by Cllr Cocoran
Voting: Unanimous.

Cllr Sabih proposed that Cllr Blackmore should accept the invitation from BCP Customer Strategy development to the meeting on 2nd November 5-6.30pm on Teams led by KPMG. "As part of the transformation programme, BCP are preparing a Customer and Channel Strategy. BCP would like to invite up to 2 representatives from each of the Town and Parish Councils in the BCP area to take part in a focus group to help inform the development of the strategy."

Seconded by Cllr Cocoran

Voting: Unanimous.

Chairman advised they will be attending the Area Forum on 28th October to discuss the parish. Also attending is Julian McLaughlin, BCP Service director Transport and Engineering who will be speaking on the Transforming Travel programme.

5. Public Participation (067/21)

No public participation on this occasion.

6. Public Questions (068/21)

Question to website "*Hello, many years ago there was a plaque in Throop Mill Car park dedicated to Cecil Biles, the last Miller who died on the top floor of the mill whilst painting. Would it be possible to have this plaque reinstated? Thank you.*" Chairman will respond to advise they will pass the question on to the owner of Throop Mill.

A letter received from a Moordown resident with two questions:

1. Wanting to understand what is happening with Throop Mill. Chair will respond to advise, as privately owned Council is unable to comment.
2. Would like to know what action will be taken with the overgrown footpath to the weir from Throop Road. Cllr Sabih proposed that the Chair write to Tony Bennet at BCP to gather information.

Seconded by Cllr Cocoran

Voting: Unanimous.

7. Questions from Councillors (069/21)

No questions on this occasion

8. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting (070/21)

The website is up and running and the Chairman paid special tribute to Cllr Houldey for her hard work in getting the website working.

The history page of the website needs more information and Cllr Sabih will provide some pictures to be added.

9. Queen's trees (071/21)

Cllr Corcoran advised that 3 sites have been located; Holdenhurst Green by the bench, on perimeter of the field on corner of Taylor Drive and Broadway Lane or the green by the noticeboard.

Cllr Houldey proposed that a letter be written to BCP to ask if they would like to suggest an alternative site.

Seconded by Cllr Blackmore

Voting: Unanimous.

10. War memorial (072/21)

Cllr Corcoran advised that the large stone marker on the green by the noticeboard would be a good position. Cllr Houldey proposed that a letter be written to BCP to ask if they would like to suggest an alternative site.

Seconded by Cllr Blackmore

Voting: Unanimous.

11. Financial Report (073/21)

Cllr Waters in capacity as concerned Cllr produced the financial reports and will continue until a Clerk is appointed.

Cllr Houldey is to update the website with the current list of expenditures over £100.

The final payment from BCP has been credited to the bank account.

2022 Financial budget planning to be added to agenda for 1st December meeting with Cllrs advised to think about items they may wish to add to the budget.

Cllr Cocoran proposed approval of financials

Seconded by Cllr Sabih

Voting: Unanimous.

12. Parish Administrative arrangements and record keeping - Dropbox/Purchase of Laptop (074/21)

Proposed by Cllr Waters that Google Cloud will be best option for storing records centrally and to authorise the Clerk when appointed to pay the monthly fee.

Seconded by Cllr Cocoran

Voting: Unanimous.

The purchase of a laptop will be deferred.

13. 5G Roll-out (075/21)

Cllr Blackmore reported that response from BCP was to advise that Fibre City is a private company, and they can do what they want. It was advised that residents recording interest on Fibre City's website could increase their appetite to lay fibre cable in area. Cllr Waters commented whether this should be added to the Council website. It was agreed and Cllr Blackmore will provide Cllr Houldey with the website link.

BT Openreach was also advised as an alternative option however not in BCP area yet. Further updates will be given in next meeting.

14. Resolution to exclude press and public – (076/21)

15. Allotment matters – Lease and Legal issues (Exempt) (077/21)

16. Appointment of Village Council Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer and associated terms of employment/contract matters (Exempt). (078/21)

The meeting ended after the conclusion of the exempt items at 9pm.

Signed by Chairman

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