

# Bryanston Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Bryanston Club, Bryanston. Blandford, Dorset

**Councillors:** Cllr C Tompsett -Chairman, Cllr C Gale – Vice Chairman, Cllr B Church, Cllr R Nolan, Cllr M Edwards and Cllr F Stocks

**In attendance:** Nicola Phillips – Clerk, 4 members of the public.

**Democratic Period:**

It was reported that Dorset Waste Partnership have thanked the volunteers and Parish Council for doing the litter pick around the village. The Chairman also thanked the organiser and volunteers for coming out in such bad weather to do the litter pick.

It was reported that a petition form has been put up in the Phone Box asking for people to come forward to support a speed calming project for the village. There has only been a dozen names put on the petition. A request will be put in the village magazine and on the Facebook page to encourage people to come forward.

A member of the public was speaking on behalf of a neighbour, who was complaining about the noise that the sewage system is making from 56 New Road. Cllr Stocks owns this property and stated that the noise will be reduced once they have moved into the property.

**19/61. To receive and accept apologies of absence, declarations of interest and dispensations.**

Dorset Councillor S Jespersen. There were no declarations of interest or dispensations.

**19/62. To agree the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings dated the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

Cllr Nolan proposed that the minutes were true and accurate. This was seconded by Cllr Church, all members agreed. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

**RESOLVED:** To agree the minutes date the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (19/62 no budgetary requirements)

**19/63. Co-option for New Council Member**

The Clerk asked if anyone present would like to be co-opted on to the Parish Council. Catherine Moxham stated that she is interested in the community and can bring ideas of how to get bring the community closer together.

Cllr Gale proposed that Catherine Moxham is invited to join the Parish Council, this was seconded by Cllr Stocks, all members in favour. Catherine Moxham accepted the invitation.

**RESOLVED:** Catherine Moxham to be co-opted on as a Councillor for Bryanston Parish Council (19/63 – no budgetary requirements)

**19/64. Matter arising from the meeting dated the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and new matters**

- **Up-date on Bryanston Club** – the Club have already held a meat draw and will be holding a wine tasting event where everyone is welcome. They are also organising an event to celebrate the VE Day. Please come along a support your local Club.
- **To consider speed calming measures** – this was covered under Democratic Period.
- **Up-date on the damaged bench in New Road** – the damaged bench is still being repaired.
- **To consider grant requests** – the grants were tabled and after debate the following was proposed by Cllr Church and seconded by Cllr Edwards and all in favor, to be awarded a grant.
  - St Nicholas Church £50.00
  - Working Dog Fun Day Dorset Air Ambulance £50.00
  - Blandford Citizens Advice Bureau £50.00

**RESOLVED:** to award the above grants from Bryanston Parish Council for 2019/2020 (19/64 – Grants)

**19/65. Report from representative of Dorset Council**

Dorset Councillor S Jespersen sent the following report, which have been put in as bullet points, the complete report can be obtained by the Clerk.

**Dorset Council** - will mark its first anniversary on 1st of April. A new Senior Management Team now leads a new staffing structure, with newly appointed Heads of Service across the board.

**Coronavirus**- Dorset Council is aware of the possible issues for local services should the coronavirus spread to Dorset in significant numbers. The Council is advising service providers to follow the advice issued by Public Health England and the NHS. Anyone with health concerns should call 111 rather than attending their GP surgery or hospital.

**Flooding** - At the time of writing there are numerous flood alerts live in the ward and Dorset Council is there to help.

**Council Budget 2020/21** - Council Tax will increase by just under 4% in April to help fund the rising cost of Adult Social Care and Children's Services. Since its creation last year Dorset Council has achieved £17m of efficiency savings and further savings are due this year.

**Dorset Council Plan 2020-2024** -The new Dorset Council Plan sets out the priorities which will guide the work of the Council for the coming years. In particular, it informed the budget setting process for expenditure in 2020-21. The published plan can be seen on the Dorset Council website.

**Highways** - Dorset Council will continue with its programme of planned road repairs using micro-surfacing, surface dressing, premium surface dressing and resurfacing methods, depending on the nature of the repair.

**Climate and Ecological Emergency** - Steady progress is being made by the Dorset Council Panel looking at how the Council should address the climate emergency. The Council's approach is to involve as many people as possible in this debate and to listen and learn before coming to a view. As part of this, we issued a "Call for Ideas" to enable all residents and businesses to suggest what they would like to see the Council do and held an Inquiry Day to which people were invited to speak about their ideas on climate change. A report will be published shortly.

**Government Funding for 5G Dorset** - A bid, led by Dorset Council, has secured funding of £4.335m to investigate how 5G mobile connectivity could help rural communities. The Dorset project is one of seven across the country designed to see if the next generation mobile connectivity can be rolled out differently to provide greater support to rural communities.

**Government Funding for Vulnerable Residents** - The Council has been awarded £500,000 of government funding to help reduce the number of rough sleepers across the county. Rough sleeping increased in North Dorset during 2019. The money will enable the Council's Housing Team to extend their work to help get people off the streets and into accommodation. A further grant of £1m has been awarded to tackle domestic violence across Dorset and Hampshire. Dorset's share of the funding will fund the Dragonfly Project which helps keep people subject to domestic abuse safe.

**Keeping in Touch** - The next edition of the Council's newsletter, Dorset Council News, will be published shortly. The best way of contacting Dorset Council is the website, [dorsetcouncil.gov](http://dorsetcouncil.gov).

**19/66. Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Chairman and Cllr Church had circulated a report, here are the bullet points from the report, a full copy of the report can be obtained by the Clerk.**

The Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan has been examined and found to have met the 'Basic Conditions', including the proposal for the development to the North and East of Blandford comprising 400 houses, a new primary school, community hub and facilities, recreation areas and employment land (adjacent to the new Waste Facility).

The Examiner's report can be found on the Blandford+

<https://blandfordplus.org.uk/> website and on the Dorset Council <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning-policy/neighbourhood-plans-in-dorset.aspx#Neighbourhoodplanningnews> websites.

Dorset Council have now received concerns regarding the examiners report, which will now need to be looked into. This may affect the dates for the referendum details below.

**All residents are urged to vote at the Blandford+ public referendum planned for Thursday 7th May – same way as a general election.**

**If you want to know more about the B+ Neighbourhood Plan and the referendum, come to the question and answer session on Sunday 26th April between 10.30 and 12.30 at Bryanston Club**

**19/67. Officers reports: All reports were either circulated or reported at the meeting.**

**Bryanston School –**

- Nothing to report.

**Highways –**

- The Clerk has asked Dorset Council for a date for when the re-surfacing works in the village will take place, she is still waiting for a response.
- The drains need to be cleaned out through the village and along New Road, the Clerk will request this with Highways. **Action – Clerk**
- The Clerk has been in contact with Sovereign Housing again regarding the state of the footpaths along Forum View and also the dangerous tree in the verge outside 17 Forum View. She is awaiting confirmation of a date to meet in site to discuss these matters in more detail. **Action - Clerk**

**Village Website/IT –**

- The Website is under construction and is looking great. Vision ICT will also be placing the Accessibility Statement on the website, which is a legal requirement instructed by Central Government. The Website will have a **.gov.uk** address, and the Clerk will also have a new email address. The Clerk advised the Councillor to have a **.gov.uk** email address, which will be used just for Parish Council matters. Vision ICT will set up the email addresses and help people set them on their existing systems.
- The Chairman reported that Wessex Internet have asked the Parish Council to promote their services for the village. This was agreed.

**Trees –**

- The Chairman has received a report that two of the Hawthorn trees along The Cliff are dying and need to be removed. Cllr Church will contact the tree officer at Dorset Council and ask for them to be removed. Once removed, the Parish Council will consider replacing them with two other trees.

**New Road Parking area, Benches and Blandford Parking Consultation–**

- Nothing to report.

**Environment Team –**

- Confirmed that Langers and Sons Ltd have signed the grass cutting contract.

**Planning –** Cllr Stocks tabled a planning report giving details of decision made.

- **2/2019/1389/VARIA** - Solar Farm at Canada Farm - No Objection - Decision pending
- **2/2020/0011/HOUSE** - 60 New Road - Double Garage with Woodstore - Application Withdrawn

The Chairman reported that Cllr Stocks and the Clerk had a meeting the Hugh de Longh, from Dorset Council, regarding 106 funding for the village from the Lower Bryanston farm development. After the initial meeting, ideas were circulated to the other members of the Council, and a meeting between the Chairman, Cllr Gale and Bryanston Estate has taken place to

discuss options for the Council to obtain some land from the Estate to facilitate proposals. The Parish Council proposals for S106 funds include a village garden, play area and community facilities for the village based around the Club area, but as the Parish Council do not own any land, obtaining the land from the Bryanston Estate will be the only way forward.

**DAPTC** – nothing to report.

**Footpaths** – Nothing to report.

**Bryanston Estate** – The Bryanston Estate is waiting for the necessary permissions to complete trees works. The Chairman has received a complaint about the poor condition of the road along Walnut Avenue, which is the responsibility of Bryanston Estate. The Clerk will write to the Estate and request the road is repaired as a matter of urgency. **Action - Clerk**

**A350 group** –

Cllr Edwards had attended the A350 group meeting. The group are asking for financial support for supplying monitoring equipment and hire of halls for meetings. Cllr Edwards proposed that the Parish Council allocated funds towards this project, this was seconded by Cllr Stocks, all members in favour in financially supporting the A350 group for the sum of £50.00 for 2020-2021.

**RESOLVED:** to allocated £50.00 for financial support to the A350 group.

#### 19/68. Finance

The Clerk tabled the Payment Schedule and Financial statement for January and February, for the sum of **£762.86**. This was proposed by Cllr Stocks and seconded by Cllr Nolan, all agreed, and the Chairman duly signed the payment schedule.

N Phillips wages	Clerk wages	343.63
N Phillips clerks exp Jan/feb	Clerks expenses	75.60
N Phillips wages	Clerk wages	343.63

**RESOLVED:** to pay the invoices listed on the payment schedule (19/68 – finance)

#### 19/69. Chairman's Report

**First of all**, a huge thank you to Mr. John Baker for organising last Sunday's Village Litter Pick and also to the villagers who turned out on such a cold and wet day. It is pleasing to note the reduction in litter collected this time. Thank you everyone.

**The final stage of our Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan** is nearing, with the public referendum being held on May 7th. Please take the time to vote 'yes' or 'no' to the Referendum question. You will be able to vote in much the same way as at a general election – details coming soon. If the neighbourhood plan is supported at the local referendum, it will become part of the development plan for Dorset Council and its policies will be used to make decisions on relevant planning applications in the neighbourhood plan area (Blandford, Blandford St Mary and Bryanston) alongside other appropriate policies within the remainder of the development plan. The Neighbourhood Plan has enabled Bryanston Parish Council to work much more closely with our hub town, Blandford, and neighbour, Blandford-St Mary, and to understand and support each another. We look forward to this closer relationship going forward as, in these changing times, we are definitely stronger together.

**Closer relations** have also been forged with Bryanston Club. The Club has seen a recent change in management and a great deal of hard work to reach out to the community to use the Club more, especially to Bryanston residents, with lots of new and interesting events being planned and held. The club's new Facebook page, BRYANSTON CLUB, has lots of information about these events. Links can also be found via our own Facebook page, Bryanston Village Community. The council looks forward to working with and supporting the Club, going forward, and to further developing it as the main community facility in Bryanston.

**Good communication** is still an issue for the village, but the success of the Bryanston Village Community Facebook page keeping residents informed and bringing people together has been a real step forward. To continue keeping everyone informed, the village has a new Parish Council website coming soon with for all the latest agendas, minutes, information and links.

**Bryanston** is currently seeing the installation of **ultrafast, full fibre broadband** by Wessex Internet, into the village, supported by a government grant for rural areas. The new fibre optic cable does not use Openreach infrastructure at all. It gives a great opportunity for residents and businesses alike to have superfast broadband speeds. More information and how to apply can be found on [wessexinternet.com](http://wessexinternet.com).

**We are all concerned about the spread of coronavirus**, especially with confirmed cases now in the Bournemouth/Poole/Christchurch area. Up to date information can be found on the Dorset Council website (scroll down homepage for the link). Please remember to phone 111 if you think you may be ill to avoid further spread.

**The next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday 13th May 2020** at 7.00pm in the Portman Room, Bryanston Club. The Agenda will be on the village website, Bryanston Village Community Facebook page and the notice boards well in advance, so do read it through and come along (or email the Parish Clerk) to have your say. We want to know your thoughts about what is happening in your village.

**19/59. Clerk report** – all correspondence has been circulated and actioned as required.

**19/60. Items for the next agenda and date of next meeting:** **AGM and APM meeting, Defibrillator, Climate Change.**

**At this point the Parish Council asked the members of the public to leave, to discuss the Clerk wages.**

The AGM, APM and next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th May 2020 at Bryanston Club, commencing at 7pm.

Should you wish to contact the Clerk please use the email address: [bryanston@dorset-aptc.gov.uk](mailto:bryanston@dorset-aptc.gov.uk)

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.20pm.

Chairman .....