

Bryanston Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 11th January 2017 at Bryanston Club

Councillors: Cllr C Tompsett – Chairman, Cllr Gale – Vice Chairman, Cllr B Church, Cllr T Tompsett, Cllr R Nolan, Cllr C Conlon and Cllr C Smurthwaite

In attendance: Nicola Phillips – Clerk; 4 members of the public; Alice Rawdon-Mogg – Bryanston RFE Ltd

Democratic Period: Mr and Mrs Jones, tenants of Lower Bryanston Farm, gave full details of their objections to the proposed development by Bryanston RFE Ltd beside their farm, these being loss of income, an increase in traffic at an already very poor road junction and building on an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Miss Alice Rawdon-Mogg stated that the public consultation about the proposed development had now closed and all concerns raised will be considered before any further action takes place.

17/1. Apologies for absence, Declarations of Interests and Dispensations.

Cllr J Stayt sent his apologies.

17/2. To agree minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 17th November 2016.

It was proposed by Cllr C Conlon and seconded by Cllr T Tompsett that the minutes were a true and accurate record and to be duly signed by the Chairman. All agreed.

17/3. Matters arising from the meeting dated 17th November 2016 and new matters:

- To discuss issues relating to the proposed development at Lower Bryanston Farm – this matter had been discussed under public consultation.
- To update on the fate of the phone box and consider planting in the area around – Miss Alice Rawdon-Mogg confirmed that Bryanston RFE Ltd have applied to BT to adopt the Phone Box, but paperwork to show ownership of the land is holding up the application at the moment. The state of the concrete plinth was also discussed. It was also agreed not to plant around the Phone Box at the moment, due to future proposed drainage work.
- To discuss issues relating to the installation of double yellow lines, new Road junction – after debate it was agreed that the Parish Council will contact Dorset Highways, Cllr Hilary Cox and MP Simon Hoare to remind them that it has already been agreed that yellow lines will be put along New Road, that the Parish Council do not feel they should pay towards a service which has already been agreed and to request that this project should be chased up to be completed sooner rather than later, due to concerns over safety.

Action Clerk and Chairman

- To discuss the Green Triangle, Lower Bryanston – after debate, it was agreed to contact Blandford St Mary Parish Council to request that they consider placing some kind of plastic mesh where vehicles are parking, to reduce the problems of mud.
- To consider the notice board offered by Blandford St Mary Parish Council – after debate it was agreed to accept the kind offer from Blandford St Mary Parish Council to take the notice board.

Action Clerk

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- To update on the Forum View Island – the Clerk will chase this matter up with Sovereign Housing.

Action Clerk

17/4. Reports from representatives of NDDC & report from Police

There were no reports received from the Police.

A report from Cllr Stayt had been circulated. Cllr Stayt is continuing to exert pressure on Council Officers and Cabinet members to ensure the CAB (of which he is a Trustee) receives an acceptable level of funding for the next 2 to 3 years. He is also working, like other Councillors, on the proposed changes to the local authority structure and budget-setting.

The Chairman reported that the 'Reshaping your Councils' consultation has been completed and the majority vote was for option 2b, which is to restructure into 2 Council's, one for Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch and another for the rest of Dorset. The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government will make the final decision. The new councils would then come into effect in April 2019.

The Chairman has sent questions of concerns following the devolution of services from Dorset Highways, to Cllr Stayt, and will also send the same to Simon Hoare MP and Cllr Hilary Cox. Once these have been answered they will be circulated and recorded at the next Parish Council meeting.

Action Chairman

17/5. The Neighbourhood Plan report:

Cllr C Tompsett and Cllr Church had circulated the following report:

There has been no response from the appointed Public Examiner of the Blandford + NP, Mr Jeremy Edge. The team will be appointing a new examiner.

17/6. Officers reports:

Cllr C Smurthwaite – IT Officer had circulated the following report:

- **Wessex Internet** wireless broadband is now available around the village. Details will be placed on the Village Website. The Council thanked Bryanston RFE for supporting this project for the village.
- **Village Website** - if anyone would like to have local information placed on the new website, please contact Cllr Smurthwaite. The Council thanked Cllr Smurthwaite for all his hard work on this project.

Cllr C Tompsett – Tree officer and RFE had circulated the following report:

- An alleged breach of planning control, following the lopping/topping of a tree in a Conservation Area without the consent of the Local Planning Authority, is currently under investigation.

Cllr C Gale – circulated the following report:

- The remaining cost to the Parish Council for the three finger posts is now £1463.00, to include two new brackets. This was agreed by all members.

Cllr Nolan – gave the following report on the paths, bridle way and benches:

- It was agreed that a working party will carry out maintenance on the 2 New Road benches in the spring. **Action Cllr Nolan**
- There was nothing to report on footpaths/bridleways. New small directional signs will be put up along the footpaths.

Cllr T Tompsett- Environment Team had circulated the following report:

- No further contracted grass cuts are considered necessary until spring.
- A further cut on half the Island, as agreed, was completed. Even after three cuts the management of the island is getting easier.
- Managing the overgrowth to expose John Tory commemorative trees, at the bottom of Walnut Avenue has been suspended at the request of Bryanston RFE Ltd whilst formal permission is sought for the land which is owned by them.
- A litter pick collected the lowest volume of rubbish for several years - mostly the usual beer cans and bottles. However a fly tip of metal building waste was found and Bryanston RFE notified. Along Tappers cut many supermarket bags containing dog excrement were found deposited on the School side. Cllr C Conlon was requested to raise this with the School and to ask if they can cut the scrub on both sides of Tappers to discourage further deposits of excrement. **Action Cllr Conlon**
- Following several requests to look at the state of road and pavement along New Road, opposite the Stour Inn, an inspection was carried out, which was tabled. After debate it was agreed to report the concerns to Highways and also to request that the owners of the overhanging trees, get them cut. **Action Clerk, Cllr Conlon**

Cllr T Tompsett – had circulated the following planning report:

- A Public Consultation was held on 30th November about the development of 80 houses on land at Lower Bryanston Farm. People who could not attend were encouraged to have their say on **Survey Monkey** after information about the proposals was circulated in a flyer to individual houses in the parish.
- A planning application for 56 New Road (2/2016/1171) has been taken to appeal (3162897). A new planning application (2/2016/1822/FUL) has since been filed and will be circulated to all Councillors, as per the usual procedure.
- An application for two new dwellings on School grounds (2/2016/1461) was refused by NDDC.
- Development at the Old Warren (1598/99) has been approved by NDDC.
- An application for an 'annexe' at 41 The Kennels (2/2016/1575) has been approved by NDDC, despite Bryanston Parish Council's objection. Any change of use may transgress the sale covenant. Miss Alice Rawdon-Mogg will write to NDDC again to make sure that they are aware of this covenant.
- A planning application for 7 Bryanston (1682) is still awaiting a decision.

Cllr B Church - DT11 and transport officer had circulated the following report:

- DT11 - Disappointingly, following the recent consultation on NDDC funding, the NDDC report recommends that DT11 funding is cut. The final decision will be made by DCC in February. However, some good news, the proposed outdoors gym at Stour Meadows has received £8000 funding from

Tesco and a further £3000 from Spectrum Housing. The equipment will be ordered this month. Blandford St Mary has agreed to contribute £1000 a year towards safety inspections. Milborne Parish has also secured grant funds from Tesco's for their Meadows Project.

- TAG: At a meeting with Dorset Community transport group, it was reported that a bus is available for a local village route. The bus had been running through the Tarrants to Wimborne, but no one used it. Contact Dorset Community Transport Group if you think our village could benefit.

Cllr Conlon- Bryanston School Liaison had circulated the following:

- Due to the holiday period, there has been no response from the School. This will be chased up.

17/7. Finance.

The Clerk tabled the Payment Schedule and Financial statement for November and December 2016 for the sum of £453.32. This was agreed by all members.

17/8. Chairman's report – the following had been circulated:

An article, summarising the main points from the November BPC meeting, was written for the Durweston Benefice Magazine. Unfortunately their bi-monthly publication is out of synch with our parish council meetings, so news for the Benefice magazine will always be out of date.

On November 30th, a public consultation was held by Savills for the Bryanston Estate to canvas views about the proposed development at Lower Bryanston Farm, prior to the submission of the planning application to NDDC. Several issues were raised, including appropriate mitigation for the bats, the adverse effects of any development on the businesses located at Lower Bryanston Farm, additional pressures on infrastructure (Drs, schools etc.), the location of the exit from the proposed site, and the further addition of road users to the already dangerous junction at the bottom of New Road/Fairmile.

The Chairman attended a meeting with MP, Simon Hoare, on 9th December, with other Councillors from North Dorset. Mr Hoare was asked for his support about the following (followed by a letter after the meeting):

- To enquire why a public servant ignored the conditions set out in the Public Inspector's Report of the NDDC Local Plan in relation to bat mitigation for the Dorchester Hill development and to seek assurance this will not be repeated with future developments in the area.
- Clarify the criteria used to judge the junction at New Road/Dorchester Hill/Fairmile as "safe" and support BPC in getting the promised yellow lines installed.
- Seek assurance this junction will be altered, using S106 money, to make it safer with the inevitable increase in road users from the two new developments, should they go ahead. Apart from an acknowledgement, no response has been received to date.

The Parish Council targets this year should be to address the issues of:

- The safety of the New Road junction and installation of yellow lines
- Short term and long term management of the island on the Cliff
- Refurbishment or replacement of the New Road benches
- How to best manage the devolution of responsibilities and services from higher councils, and how best to work within our limited financial and manpower capabilities.
- Telephone box and surrounding area

17/9. Clerk's Report – Correspondence - Matters of interest

All correspondence had been circulated.

17/10. Items for next agenda and date of next meeting. Grants – other matter arising from the meeting.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 8th March 2017 at **Bryanston Club**, commencing at **7pm**.**

Should you wish to contact the Clerk please use the email address below:

bryanston@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.45 pm.

Chairman..... Date

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