

# Motcombe Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at Motcombe Memorial Hall Pavilion, Motcombe. Dorset.

**Present:** Chairman – Cllr A Leask, Vice-Chairman – Cllr J Odell, Cllr A Coffey, Cllr L Stacey, Cllr S Rogers, Cllr P Mouncey, Cllr J Phillipson, Cllr D Worlock and Cllr J Taylor.

**In attendance:** Mrs Nicola Phillips (Parish Clerk), there were 6 members of the public present.

### Public Consultation period.

Concerns were raised over the drain outside the new development next to the village hall is blocked. Cllr Phillipson reported that Dorset Council Highways department have been and cleared the drain again, it seems to be working now. It was noted that the soil on the bank of the new development next to the village hall is washing away with the bad weather, it was suggested that the developers put something in place, like turf, to prevent the mud washing away. The Clerk will contact the developer and request this.

### 2018/109. Apologies for Absence and dispensations:

DCC Cllr Cattaway and NDDC Cllr P Williams. NDDC Cllr Williams emailed the Council stating that he has enjoyed his association with Motcombe PC and hope that the Council will be able to secure and retain the interest of one the new Councillors, following the elections in May, so that Motcombe's interests are served within the new Dorset Council.

### 2018/110. Declarations of Interest:

There were none.

### 2018/111. To agree the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and to receive an update on any matters arising.

An amendment was requested under item 2018/105 – Cllr Mouncey report, *Cllr Mouncey and Cllr Phillipson had an informal meeting with the owners of the field next to David Scully's land, site 01 on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.* This was agreed and the minutes were amended, they were then proposed by Cllr Worlock and seconded by Cllr Odell. All members agreed that the contents were a true and accurate record, and the minutes were signed by the Chairman.

**RESOLVED:** to agree the amendment and then agreed that the contents of the minutes taken on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were a true and accurate record. (2018/111 – minutes).

**Play Area quotes** – the Clerk had circulated the following quote to replace some of the play equipment in the play area:

- Ministry of Play £49123.30 plus VAT
- Sovereign £42598.33 plus VAT
- Playdale £52996.06 plus VAT (The Parish Council reclaim the vat)

After discussions, it was requested that the Clerk find out where some of the companies have worked on play areas for members of the Council to visit and also for the Clerk to contact the persons responsible for the said play areas, to get their feedback on the service they were given by the Company.

Once this information is obtained and the sites visited, the Council vote and resolve, via email, which company to award the contract to, so that the Clerk can go out to obtain funding for the project. **ACTION-CLERK**

### To adopt the following new policies for the Parish Council:

- Grant procedure policy
- Training and development policy
- Payroll policy

Cllr Odell proposed that the above policies be adopted by the Council, this was seconded by Cllr Phillipson and all members agreed.

**RESOLVED:** Motcombe Parish Council adopt the Grant procedure policy, training and development policy and the payroll policy. (2018/111 – Duty and policy).

**2018/112. Report from Dorset County and North Dorset District Council.**

There was no report given.

**2018/113. Finance:**

The Clerk tabled the payment schedule for February 2019 for the total sum of is £1932.28. It was proposed by Cllr Odell and Seconded by Cllr Leask and all agreed to authorise the payments on the Payment Schedule, this was duly signed by the Chairman.

**2018/114 Planning – Review of Parish Council Recommendations.**

**APP/N1215/W/19/3223749 – land at the junction of Motcombe Road and Frog Lane – appeal –** the Parish Council stand by their original objection and have forwarded this information on to the Appeal Officer.

**2018/115. Chairman’s report:**

There was nothing to report.

**2018/116. Officer Report:**

**Cllr S Phillipson reported the following-**

- The drains along the B3081 and outside the development next to the village hall have been serviced by Dorset Council, highways department.

**Cllr S Rogers reported the following-**

- Request from Scottish and Southern electricity networks who have requested for a diversion to the overhead line in the vicinity of The Meadows. This was agreed by the Council and the Clerk signed the grant for permission.
- Cllr Worlock confirmed that Mrs Martin has announced that work will be commencing in the autumn on the trees along Frog Lane. More information will be advertised in the villager nearer the time.
- A caravan was reported to be parked in the car park at Prideaux Drive, this has now been removed.

**Cllr P Mouncey reported the following:**

- The Neighbourhood Plan will be available for comment from the 12<sup>th</sup> April (this date still needs to be confirmed) for six weeks, it will be available to see at the Village Shop, Shaftesbury Library and Gillingham Library and the Dorset for You website.
- Informal discussions with the owners of Site 01 about their proposal for a car park for the school on this site have been discontinued as the site is not included for development in the Neighbourhood Plan. Future discussions may take place with the academy are needed to determine their future strategy for primary education, with an outline planning application having been submitted by developers for a development at the east end of Shaftesbury, which include provision for a new primary school. All options for easing congestion outside Motcombe school also need to be fully considered to find the most suitable solution. However, the owners of Site 01 may still decide to continue developing a planning application for that site.

**Cllr D Worlock reported the following-**

- Had circulated a report regarding the DAPTC conference she had attended. Brief details of the senior leadership team and how Dorset Council spend its money was tabled. Full details can be found on the Dorset For You website.
- Dorset police have organised a free fun day on the 20<sup>th</sup> July at Dorset Police Headquarters, Winfrith. It will be a great fun day out for all. Posters will be put up locally to advertise this event, in due course.

**2018/117. Clerks Report – Correspondence.** All correspondence has been circulated.

The Merchant Navy fund supporting partners had sent a letter asking for support by arranging to fly a Red Ensign official flag on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September. The Clerk will forward the details of this to the Village Hall Committee, as the Council do not have a flag pole.

*At this point the Clerk and members of the Parish Council presented the Chairman with a leaving gift and thanked him for chairing the Parish Council for the past 9 years. The Chairman thanked his fellow Councillors and Clerk for the gift and thanked the public for their support over the years*

**2018/118. Any other matters:**

There were none.

**2018/119. Items for next agenda:** AGM – Annual Parish Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be the AGM held on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.00pm**, at Motcombe Memorial Hall – Pavilion. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.35

Signed by the Chairman.....

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