

MINUTES

10.03.2015

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Godshill on Tuesday 10th March 2015 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Draper - Chairman
Cllr Cakebread
Cllr Chamberlain
Cllr Gibbons
Cllr Lintonbon
Cllr Williams

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk
D/Cllr Bill Dow (from 8.35 pm)
Six members of the public.

212./14 Apologies: Cllr Fell and C/Cllr Heron.

213./14 Guest Speakers Ms Jackie Wood and Mr Gary Wellman of Group Buying Power Limited: Cllr Draper welcomed Ms Wood and Mr Wellman who gave a brief presentation and responded to questions on the benefits of Group Buying Power which was a group, based in Woodgreen, which organised heating oil deliveries on behalf of groups of homeowners rather individuals which in turn provided savings.

Ms Wood also advised that they were totally, and proudly, independent of any oil company and had made successful orders over the last three years for their members and had agreed lower prices every month. They had members locally in Woodgreen, Hyde, Downton, Frogham, Landford, Wimborne, Cranborne, Nunton, Breamore, Damerham and Martin and typically placed orders on a monthly basis in mid month. Orders needed to be a minimum of 500 litres and were usually delivered within 3-7 days of the order was placed. More details could be found at their website at www.groupbuyingpower.co.uk.

Cllr Draper thanked Ms Wood and Mr Wellman for attending and said that a short article would be included in the next Parish Newsletter to advise more residents of the group.

214./14 Declarations of Interest: Cllr Cakebread declared a personal and pecuniary interest in Minute 230./14 and did not speak or vote.

215./14 To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 10th February 2015: Cllr Lintonbon proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

216./14 Matters arising from the Minutes:

171.14 SpeedWatch: Fordingbridge Town Council has confirmed that it is not interested in participating in discussions with Godshill Parish Council on SpeedWatch as no interest has been expressed by residents.

209./14 Lengthsman Scheme: The Clerk has submitted requests for work to be done which involves the painting of the noticeboards and bus shelter. On the advice of the Chairman of Breamore Parish Council, she has also submitted a job request form to the Hampshire

Community Payback Team to potentially clear the footpaths now that Ferndown Day Centre is unable to carry out the work.

217./14 To receive a report from D/Cllr Bill Dow: Cllr Dow reported that he had nothing to report in respect of the District Council. However, he gave a brief report on the Police Liaison meeting he had attended earlier in the evening at which the issues of the change and reduction in personnel and the slight increase in rural crime had been reported.

218./14 Litter Warden Update – To receive a report from Mrs Sara Boyd: Mrs Boyd reported that the fliers for the Annual Litter Pick on 29th March had been distributed to advise residents. She said she was currently in discussions with Sandy Balls about equipment following Lynden Bowen's departure.

219./14 Public Forum - 15 minutes to receive any questions or statements from members of the public:

Mr Giddins raised the issue of Godshill Wood Farm and asked whether the Parish Council would be either writing to the National Park Authority or councillors prepared to make personal statements should they be required based on the Parish Council meeting held in September 2011.

Cllr Draper said that the Parish Council had already sent a letter to Lucie Cooper but would send a further letter if required to do so.

Mrs Boyd asked if a letter could be written to Sandy Balls stating that the parish appreciated that the films had only been held on two nights last year and had caused the minimum of disturbance.

220./14 Planning and Tree Works Applications:

Application No. 14/00964

149 Sandy Balls Holiday Centre, Godshill - Recladding to exterior of mobile home; replacement of french doors; raised decking (remove existing bay window):

Following a briefing from Cllr Gibbons, he proposed, Cllr Draper seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the Parish Council should recommend permission on the grounds that it would not undermine the appearance of the home and would provide better insulation. In addition, the 1.2 metre wide decking tied in exactly with the existing paving slabs which were each 60 cm wide.

Application No. 15/00017

Part Parcel Number 0043, Purlieu Lane, Godshill - Creation of Manege: Following a briefing from Cllr Draper, he proposed, Cllr Chamberlain seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the Parish Council should recommend permission on the grounds that it would have no visual impact on the surrounding area, whilst also taking account of the planning officer's advice to move the Manege either 5 metres away from the beech trees or to the other end of the site so that the posts and fencing did not impact on them.

221./14 To consider and approve a draft response to the Consultation on the Hampshire Countryside Access Plan 2015-25: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and it was approved for submission by the meeting.

222./14 To consider the effect of the work carried out last year on the Ditchend Brook and to agree on any actions to be taken: Cllr Draper reported that he had visited the site and would continue to monitor it over the next few months. He proposed from the chair that this item be deferred for further consideration at the June meeting.

223./14 To consider a response to the Police Hampshire Survey on Community Priorities for Godshill for the year commencing 1st April 2015: The issue of HGV movements within the 7.5 tonne zone was considered to be a priority.

224./14 To consider a response to the Hampshire Association of Local Council's survey on Rural Broadband provision: Cllr Lintonbon proposed, Cllr Draper seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the Clerk should provide more detailed information to the questions rather than yes and no answers for which the situation in Godshill did not comply.

225./14 To consider Godshill Parish Council's compliance with the new Transparency code for Smaller Authorities and agree on any actions to be taken: The Clerk briefed members on the requirements of the Code. She said the Parish Council was compliant with most of the Code but the Parish Council would need to publish a list of payments over £100 and the Annual Return by July 2015.

226./14 To consider a request from URGE Cycles to set up a mobile workshop in Godshill which will provide an opportunity for residents' bicycles to be given an MOT plus free minor repairs and adjustments by a professional mechanic: Following a discussion, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Williams seconded and it was agreed by the meeting with an objection from Cllr Cakebread that URGE be invited to set up a mobile workshop in Godshill.

228./14 To consider a theme and a speaker for the 2015 Annual Parish Meeting: Following a discussion, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Gibbons seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the Clerk should invite Mr Iain Brown, Managing Director for Sandy Balls, to be the speaker for the meeting on Tuesday 28th April.

229./14 To approve the following payments:
£238.00 – Godshill Village Hall – hire for meetings.
£110.20 – Mrs B Cornish – For annual Home working allowance, Phone, Broadband and travel to NFALC meeting at Lyndhurst.
Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and they were approved by the meeting.

230./14 Finance & Policy:

The Council approved the following payments:

	£	Cheque No.
Godshill Village Hall - Hire for Meetings	238.00	100414
Cllr Cakebread – Travel Expenses	6.40	100415
B Cornish – Annual Home Allowance & Expenses	110.20	100416
B Cornish – March Salary	310.33	100417
Cllr Fell - Materials to install the refuse bin	13.25	100418

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 10.03.15:

Current Account: £10,118.49 Deposit Account: £578.69

Cllr Williams proposed the approval of the March accounts, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and they were approved by the meeting.

231./14 Outside Bodies And Representation

Speedwatch Scheme: Cllr Draper gave a brief report on an interesting meeting he had attended with the Clerk and Cllr Peter Turner of Breamore Parish Council. He said ideally Cllr Turner wished to engage a third parish in the group before it could proceed and to this end the Clerk had emailed all the members of the New Forest Association of Local Councils to determine whether there was any interest.

Following a further discussion, Cllr Dow agreed to seek the whereabouts of the Speed Indicator Device, previously organised through New Forest District Council and similar to the one located at Ibsley, and to find out whether this could be positioned in Godshill to reduce the speed of the traffic.

National Grid Drop-In Session: Cllr Cakebread gave a brief report on the drop-in session which was also attended by Cllrs Draper, Fell, Lintonbon and the Clerk. She said the purpose of the session was to provide support for a section of existing electricity transmission line currently transmitted by pylons across Hale Purlieu to be selected as part of National Grid's Visual Impact Provision project which would enable it to be buried underground thereby reducing its visual impact. She encouraged everyone to record their support at: visualimpact@nationalgrid.com.

232./14 Correspondence:

- 1 New Forest National Park Authority – A letter advising of a consultation on the revision to local planning application requirements. Consultation ends on 7th April 2015. *The Clerk and Cllr Cakebread agreed to consider this and submit a response if they considered it appropriate.*
- 2 Mr Mark Bentinck – An email exchange with Cllr Lintonbon and Desmond Swayne MP regarding superfast broadband in Godshill.
- 3 New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr Nick Evans in response to the Parish Council's comments on the NP Management Plan.
- 4 New Forest District Council – An email from Ms Rosemary Rutins on the process for the Parish & Town Council elections.
- 5 Mr Charles Bingham – An email advising that Mr Bingham has decided to place Lampton Lodge on the market due to family and business commitments.
- 6 Ringwood & Fordingbridge Footpath Society – The March edition of Waymark.
- 7 Hampshire Association of Local Councils – A letter from Mr Steven Lugg promoting the services of HALC.
- 8 HALC – An invitation to participate in the Hants & Isle of Wight Village of the Year competition for 2015.
- 9 Southern Water – An invitation to enter the South & South East in Bloom Competition.
- 10 Hampshire County Council – An invitation to an event entitled 'Your County Your Say – Shaping the future of Economy, transport and environmental services' on Thursday 26th March 6-8 pm at Ashburton Hall, Winchester.
- 11 Rotary Club of Fordingbridge – An invitation to nominate a Citizen of the Year for 2015.
- 12 New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Lisa Crouch enclosing the notes of the meeting to discuss the Western Escarpment Conservation Area Verge Damage project.

233./14 Any Other Business: Cllr Cakebread advised that a Wiggle event would be held on the weekend after Easter and it was still being advertised with “*2,000+ riders each day*”.

234./14 Next meeting: The Chairman confirmed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 14th April 2015 at 7.30 pm.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 9.06 pm.