# Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting of Loders Parish Council held at Loders Village Hall on Tuesday 21st February 2023 at 7.00pm

**Present:** 

**Councillors:** Michele Warrington (Chair)

Julie Bryce David Last

Derrick Newberry Ros Newberry

David Pullan - arrived 7.38pm

Tony Alford (Dorset Council) - arrived 7.17pm

Officer: Joanne Hughes (Clerk) Public: 0

**Apologies:** Geoff May (Vice Chair), David Cannon

8414. To receive apologies for absence

Recorded.

8415. Declarations of interest or grants of dispensation

None.

8416. To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and sign the same

Proposed Cllr J Bryce Seconded Cllr D Last Resolved

#### 8417. Matters arising for information only

Cllr Warrington proposed that the Sycamore tree to be felled at Loders Village Hall be discussed under agenda item 15 Village Hall - all agreed.

## 8418. Democratic Forum

Don Moxon of the Well Plot Shelter Group had hoped to attend the meeting but had sent his apologies.

## 8419. Dorset Council - Report Cllr Tony Alford

Cllr Alford had previously circulated his information report dated 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 which included the following updates:

- Dorset Council have approved the 2023/24 budget resulting in a band D council tax figure for Dorset Council of £1,905.93, an extra £1.41 per week for a band D property;
- Dorset Council are discussing a proposal for a council tax premium for second homes;
- A summary of comments from the consultation of the draft Local Plan is now published.

With regards to agenda item 12ii Gribb Farm whereby information has been received by the Parish Council to indicate that due to cost, alternative schemes were now being considered, Cllr Alford suggested that the Parish Council invite the Dorset Council Officer responsible for the project to the next meeting to provide an update. Clerk to progress.

With regards to agenda item 11 Section 53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Applications for Loders Parish, Councillor Alford advised that he had no further update on the "Definitive Map"

which Cllr Cannon had previously queried in terms of why this map was different from the Dorset Council RoW map. Cllr Cannon had also sent his thanks to Cllr Alford for chasing up Cllr Ray Bryan for a response regarding EV charging points for Loders although a response had still not been received.

#### 8420. Finance

# i. To authorise receipts and payments due

The following payments for February 2023 were approved in line with internal controls:

Receipts		Detail	Amount
Payments	Voucher No	Detail	Amount
J Hughes	1387	Salary & Expenses (includes grit bin refill)	784.60
Loders Village Hall	1388	CEEAP Meeting 10.01.23	18.00
Wessex Grounds Services	1389	Grounds Maintenance	100.85
Ken Hussey	1390	Play Area Repairs	85.00
Loders Village Hall	1391	PC Meeting 21.02.23	16.00

Payments authorised were £1,004.45 being the total of the individual payments shown above.

Bank balance as at 21st February 2023 £24,702.61

**Proposed Cllr D Last** 

**Seconded Cllr R Newberry** 

Resolved

## ii. Monthly finance reports

The Clerk provided Councillors with a summary report of the year-to-date position (February 2023) against the budget and a report of the movement on fund balances to 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023. The Clerk had also provided Councillors with an end of year re-forecast.

# iii. The King's Coronation, 6th May 2023 - possible funding for community events

Cllr Warrington proposed that the Council might want to consider providing funding to any community events taking place in the parish to celebrate The King's Coronation on 6<sup>th</sup> May. As there are currently no known events being organised in the parish, it was agreed to wait and see if the Parish Council are approached for funding.

#### 8421. Planning and Development

## a) To consider any planning applications, appeals or enforcements in circulation:

- P/HOU/2023/00400 51 Uploders Road, Uploders DT6 4PG Erect single storey extension to form garden room. Replace existing curved bay window with dormer. Create new garden access steps -No objections.
- ii. P/HOU/2023/00101 Trinity Cottage, Smishops Lane Junction to Yondover Railway Bridge, Loders DT6 3SB No update.
- iii. P/LBC/2022/07865 & P/FUL/2022/07866 Upton Manor Farmhouse, Uploders Road, Uploders, Bridport, Dorset DT6 4PQ No update. Clerk to look at application
- iv. P/FUL/2022/07228 Boars Barrow Farm Access to Boars Barrow Farm, Loders, Bridport, DT6 3RX No update.
- v. P/LBC/2022/07245 Knowle Farm Well Plot to New Road, Uploders, Bridport DT6 4NS replace 4 windows and one door in North Elevation application approved 31.01.23.
- vi. P/HOU/2022/06515 West Combe, Smishops Lane, Loders, Bridport DT6 3SA No update.

# b) To consider and agree any actions in relation to other planning matters:

- i. Well Plot Playing Field Shelter application for Certificate of Lawfulness the Clerk advised that the application was in progress although she was waiting to hear from the planning department if a Proposed or Existing application would need to be submitted.
- ii. NPPF Consultation response from Loders Parish Council a meeting has been arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> February with Cllr Warrington, Cllr May, Cllr Last and Cllr R Newberry attending.

# 8422. Unitary Authority

- i. Update from DAPTC
  - Western Area meeting minutes 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and next meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 The minutes of the meeting have now been circulated and Cllr Warrington confirmed that she would be attending the next Western Area meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.
  - DAPTC Climate & Environmental Issues online meeting

The Clerk confirmed that the meeting will take place online on 27<sup>th</sup> April, 4pm-6pm. Cllr Warrington, Cllr Bryce and Cllr Pullan confirmed they could attend. Clerk to check with Cllr May and book the necessary spaces.

- DAPTC Councillors Networking Event, Kingston Maurward, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Cllr Warrington confirmed that she had booked to attend and Cllr Bryce confirmed that she would also book and attend the event.

## ii. Update from BLAP

Cllr May had previously circulated a report providing information on the 20mph policy webinar he attended. Agreed to discuss at the March Parish Council meeting.

#### 8423. Council Property

## To consider and agree any actions in relation to Parish Council property:

#### i. Cemetery

Cllr D Newberry advised that he has oiled the cemetery gate wheel and it is now slightly easier to open and close. It was agreed to monitor.

#### ii. Allotments

Cllr R Newberry advised that there are three plots that look unkempt in terms of cultivation and also items/rubbish left on the plots. Clerk to write to all plot holders advising that the plots need to be kept clean and tidy.

# iii Playing Field

- Playhouse Cllr Pullan confirmed that the playhouse roof had been removed and thanks had been passed to the Well Plot Shelter Group for removing the old wood from the playing fields.
- Oak tree planting Cllr Pullan confirmed that the Oak tree had now been more securely staked and tied and as a result the outstanding invoice had been paid by the Parish Council.
- Residents play area redevelopment working group Councillors discussed the document received from the Play Area group and agreed the following:
  - it was felt that the Play Area Redevelopment Group should operate in the same was as the Well Plot Shelter Group i.e., an informal arrangement, a voluntary group who raise the funds, purchase and install the new equipment and gift to the Parish Council;
  - the Parish Council will facilitate the group in the same way as the Well Plot Shelter Group;
  - the group would require its own separate email address and bank account;
  - Cllr David Pullan agreed to be the contact/liaison with the Play Area Redevelopment Group.

Clerk to respond to the Play Area Redevelopment Group accordingly.

- Well Plot Shelter Group update it was confirmed that the base of the shelter had been laid and the oak for the shelter would be arriving in the week.
- Well Plot hedge laying event the hedge laying successfully took place with EuCAN volunteers, members of the Parish Council and the Well Plot Shelter Group. Cllr Pullan received a special mention of thanks for attending a third day with his son to complete the hedge laying and thanks were also passed to the Well Plot Shelter Group and Cllr R Newberry for removing the excess brash and hazel sticks. The issue of footballs going through the newly laid hedge behind the football goals was discussed and it was agreed to review the situation in two months. A resident had also asked if the hazel tree that sits at one end of the hedge next to her property could be removed. Agreed to add as an agenda item for discussion at the March Parish Council meeting. Cllr Warrington proposed that the EuCAN invoice for the hedge laying be paid when received which was seconded by Cllr Last.

#### Proposed Cllr M Warrington Seconded Cllr D Last Resolved

- Maypole Base - during the hedge laying, the schools old Maypole base was discovered buried in the hedge. The Clerk to ask the Well Plot Shelter Group if they would like to incorporate the base within their shelter work. Cllr R Newberry agreed to move the base from the playing fields to her farm for the time being.

#### iv. Notice Boards refurbishment at Well Plot and The Crown

Cllr Warrington thanked Cllr R Newberry and Cllr Bryce for removing the noticeboard at The Crown.

## 8424. Footpaths and Rights of Way

- RoW Report Cllr Cannon had previously circulated his report providing the following updates:
- BR11 New Street Lane flooding at the eastern end Cllr Cannon reported that this is still under investigation with Dorset Council.
- FP31 the broken kissing gate has been fixed.
- FP37 Yellow Lane from Hole House Farm Dorset Council have advised that the landowner has
  agreed to improved access in principle and that funding has been applied for although if the
  Parish Council is willing to contribute £330 towards the costs of the gates, Dorset Council will
  pay the rest and install the gates. It was agreed to await the outcome of the funding
  application.
- Section 53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Applications for Loders Parish Discussed under minute reference 8419.

## 8425. Roads, Transport and Drains

- i. Waddon Way Dorset Council have confirmed that flailing has taken place along Waddon Way to expose the road width and the current thinking is to shore up and reinforce the embankment.
- ii. Gribb Farm, Shipton Road Dorset Council have confirmed that alternative options are being looked at as the current scheme has become too big and unaffordable. See minute reference 8419.
- iii. Twenty is Plenty Campaign Cllr May to provide an update at the March meeting.
- iv. Trailway project Clerk to invite Russell Goff to the March meeting.

# 8426. River Asker Improvement Project

A mink raft session recently took place which was well attended by volunteers.

#### 8427. Climate and Environment Issues

To consider and agree any actions in relation to the Loders Parish Council Climate & Ecological Emergency:

i. Natural Assets - Cllr Bryce and Cllr Pullan provided the following updates:

- the CEE Support Group meeting minutes had been circulated and Cllr Bryce confirmed she will attend the next meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> March;
- the Well Plot hedge saplings may require some infilling;
- local landowners are looking at rewilding, Parish Council to be kept in the loop;
- use of land map to be added to the next CEEAP meeting agenda.
- ii. Transport update Cllr Cannon to be made aware that the DAPTC EV charging point webinar will be taking place on 21<sup>st</sup> March.
- iii. Renewable's update DAPTC 20mph policy webinar to be discussed at the next council meeting.
- iv. Making it Happen update Nothing to report.
- v. Date of next CEEAP meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am at Loders Village Hall. Tree felling to be added to the CEEAP meeting agenda.

## 8428. Village Hall Report

- Cllr Bryce confirmed that permission for the felling of the Sycamore tree at the Village Hall has been granted. Clerk to enquire with Dorset Council if Parish Council's can make comments on tree felling applications.
- Cllr Bryce also confirmed that the Loders Welcome Pack has been produced and will enquire if the Village Hall Committee want the pack added to the parish council website.

#### 8429. Parish Council Business Plan Review

Cllr Warrington, Cllr May and the Clerk to review the Business Plan at a meeting arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> February.

#### 8430. Parish Council Archiving

The Clerk advised that the archiving was in progress.

#### 8431. Communications

i. Broadband – Cllr Last advised that Jurassic Fibre have been carrying our work along New Road,
Uploders. Clerk to obtain latest update on broadband rollout for Loders parish from Jurassic Fibre.

#### 8432. Training & Development

None.

# 8433. To review correspondence received

Dorset Heritage Local List Project - no update.

## 8434. Website and Eggardon & Colmers View

Hedge laying, maypole base, Annual Parish Assembly.

# 8435. Agenda items for next meeting on Tuesday 21st March 2023

None.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm

Chairman: M. Warrington Date: 21st March 2023