

PRESENT

Council Members:

Cllr Mr Colin Page
Cllr Mrs Elisabeth Edwards
Cllr Mr Derek Burt
Cllr Mr Anthony Higgens
Cllr Mrs Jayne Wilson
Cllr Mr Leslie Bugler
Cllr Mr Ian Hollard

Clerk to the Council:

Dr Alastair Wallace

C. K Parishioners & Members of the public:

Mr Elwood
Mr N J Bugler
Mr Marcel Cianter
Mr Stuart Knott

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

286.17 There being no Chairman of the Parish Council, it was necessary for the meeting to elect a Chairman of the Meeting. Cllr Page proposed that Cllr Higgens take the Chair, there being no general wish by Members present to stand as Chairman of the Parish Council. His proposal was seconded by Cllr Burt. Cllr Higgens did not object to such appointment and the motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that Cllr Higgens should act as Chairman for the October Parish Council meeting.

Cllr Higgens took the Chair for the meeting.

APOLOGIES

287.17 The Clerk had previously reported he had received apologies for absence from Cllr Parker and PDC Cllr Mr Malcolm Barnes. Ms Dawn Atkins, representing Dorset County Council Highways Dept who intended having a "questions & answers" session during the Public Discussion period was also unable to attend the meeting but had asked to meet Members of the Council on 16th October in the Parish. . The apologies were accepted and noted; the appointment with Ms Atkins confirmed by Cllr Burt, Page and Bugler.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THE MEETING

288.17 Cllr Page declared an interest as a neighbour regarding a planning application relating to 71 Furzebrook Road which was likely to be discussed later in the meeting. This was noted.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

289.17 Mr Cianter, a Parishioner, expressed his concern about a past planning application (6/2017/0174) regarding development on land opposite "The Bungalow", Furzeyground. The other Parishioners attending supported his objections and asked that their objections, which had been made in a letter to the Parish Council, be publicly voiced to Purbeck District Council. The Clerk, in a point of information, advised the meeting that a copy of Mr Knott's letter of objection, the contents of which the Parishioners had agreed, had already been sent along with comments from the Parish Council by it to Purbeck District Council. Cllr Page asked if the Parishioners attending had sent their own letter of objection to PDC and they replied in the affirmative. General discussion about the proposals then took place with Mr Knott explaining his and the other Parishioners' views including the concern about possible agricultural run-off, the construction of a new vehicle access and over-development of virgin land adjacent to heathland. Cllr Higgens explained that the Parish Council had made comments to the district council and that there had been revised plans submitted for a single "polytunnel" and shed. He felt sure that the district council would take the letters from Parishioners and the parish Council into account but, at the same time, the Parish Council was governed by legal restraints and had little room in which to manoeuvre. He explained that the revised plans would be discussed later in the meeting.

- 290.17 Mr Elwood advised the meeting that there had had been an incident of “fly-tipping” at the East Creech triangle. The Clerk advised he had reported the matter to both the Environmental Health Officer at Westport House and the Dorset Waste Partnership, both of whom would investigate and the EHO take the necessary legal action against any miscreants found.
- 291.17 Cllr Higgins asked the meeting if there were any other matters to be aired during Public Discussion. There were none and the meeting continued to the main business.

POSTPONEMENT OF MATTERS ON THIS AGENDA TO NOVEMBER MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

- 292.17 None were proposed at this time

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26th September, 2017

- 293.17 The Minutes, which had been circulated before the meeting were read. Cllr Page pointed out that in Minute No 272.16 the name “Goodall” be altered to “Scragg”. This was noted by the Clerk for amendment. Cllr Page then proposed that, subject to amendment, the minutes be accepted as a true record of the proceedings. This was seconded by Cllr Burt and the proposal unanimously agreed to. **RESOLVED that the amended Minutes be accepted as a true record of proceedings of the Parish Council meeting of 26th September 2017 and they be duly published as such. The Clerk would arrange for them to be uploaded to the Church Knowle Parish Council Website and where, appropriate, would arrange for copies be affixed on the notice boards.**

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 26th September, 2017

- 294.17 Minute No. 265.17 – It was suggested by Cllr Page that the pothole described in the minute be inspected by Ms Atkins on her joint visit to the Parish with Cllrs Burt, Page and Bugler and that DCC be asked to repair it despite it being just on private land. He would ask Ms Atkins during her visit,
- 295.17 Minute No. 272.17 – Cllr Edwards reported that she had received a letter from Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT) regarding the distribution of funding including that for the proposed restoration of the upper reaches of the Corfe River within the Parish. Discussion ensued and Councillors were in agreement with a suggestion put forward by Cllr Higgins that the Parish Council should set up its own working party to organise their project. Cllr Page pointed out that the expertise of DWT would be necessary and that there would be another meeting with DWT and the other partners. Councillors felt there was a risk of a “money grab” and there was a need for CKPC to keep hold of its share of the funding to ensure that its project had sufficient funding from inception to completion and not be diverted to other projects. Cllrs Page and Edwards (the lead Members of the CKPC project) would report on progress at the November meeting as there was expected to be another meeting with DWT in the interim. Members noted the comment. Cllr Higgins then formally proposed that Cllrs Page and Edwards deal with the project group meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Burt and unanimously carried. **RESOLVED that Cllrs Page and Edwards act on behalf of the CKPC in dealing with DWT and the other interested parties with regard to the Corfe River restoration.** Cllr Higgins had concerns that DWT were not particularly communicative with the Parish Council regarding its own projects within the Parish, including the “management” of woodland involving the felling of ancient trees. He proposed that CKPC should ask DWT to be more forthcoming with information and that this should be put forward at the next project meeting. It was suggested that the proposal should be amended to include communication with the Herpetological Society requesting information as to their plans within the Parish. This amendment was agreed to by Cllr Higgins and seconded by Cllr Page. The motion was unanimously carried. **RESOLVED that Cllrs Page and Edwards request information from DWT as to their plans within the Parish and that the Herpetological Society be similarly asked for theirs.**
- 296.17 Cllr Burt reported that investigation of the Parish Council’s road salt and grit supplies revealed that the Council had plenty of supplies for the winter at Imerys’ Furzebrook Road site.

PLANNING MATTERS

East Creech Conservation Area

- 297.17 Cllr Higgins reported that he had not yet received any formal communication from the Steeple Parish Chairman and that there was a meeting of the committee on 12th October. He would report back then.

Members noted his report and the Chairman thanked him on behalf of his colleagues on the Parish Council.

Planning Applications –

- 298.17 **TWA/2017/0174 – Willow Corner, Church Knowle. – Tree felling.** Cllr Burt reported on the application and his investigations. He could see no reason for objection by CKPC to the works being carried out. Members agreed without the need for a formal vote as all showed agreement with Cllr Burt's comments.
- 299.17 **TWA/2017/0121 – Church Farm, Church Knowle – Tree cutting & felling.** Cllr Burt reported on the application and his investigations. He could see no reason for objection by CKPC to the works being carried out. Members agreed without the need for a formal vote as all showed agreement with Cllr Burt's comments.
- 300.17 **6/2017/0174 – 71, Furzebrook Road - Create new vehicular access, drive and parking area.** Cllr Page declared his interest in the application as a neighbour and took no further part in the discussions and vote. Members examined the plans and application. They felt that the work would considerably improve road safety and had no objections to the work. Cllr Higgins proposed, and Cllr Wilson seconded, that the CKPC has no objection to the development as set out in the application. The motion was unanimously carried. **RESOLVED that CKPC has no objection to the proposed work being carried out.**

Planning Applications Received After Publication of Agenda –

- 301.17 None had been received.

Unlawful Developments –

- 302.17 A report was given about a possible unlawful development at 46 Furzebrook Road in that part of a hedge had been removed resulting in an entrance from the property to the road having been made. It was pointed out that the property concerned was adjacent to the boundary with Arne parish and an application may have been inadvertently sent to the clerk of that council. The Clerk advised the Meeting he would investigate the matter and at the same time as PDC for reinstatement of the "Weekly List" which had been sent to the Parish Council in the past.

Past Planning Matters –

- 303.17 **6/2017/374 - Land opposite The Bungalow, Grange Road, Creech, Wareham, BH20 5DG -** Erection of a shed, composting toilet, poly-tunnel, stable and new vehicular access. – **Not yet determined.** Cllr Burt expressed continued concern about the type of development proposed for the land. He stated that the applicant appeared to want to keep horses on the land, but the amended plans now showed no provision for stabling. Cllr Higgins reminded Members that the applicant had withdrawn a considerable sections of the original proposal and all that appeared to be left was a polytunnel and a shed. Cllr Hollard commented that as the poly-tunnel could be deemed a "temporary structure" it probably did not need planning permission, and if there was no permanent plinth for the shed that could also be deemed "temporary"; consequently, the entire application could be withdrawn and the developer could carry on regardless without fear of enforcement action. Discussion then ensued where the comments of Parishioners attending the Public Discussion were brought up. Cllr Hollard and others opined that the CKPC could not object on the basis of damage to the environment caused by runoff without expert advice. However, following lengthy discussion there was a general feeling of support for the Parishioners. Finally, it was proposed by Cllr Higgins that following discussions as a result of hearing the case of Parishioner objectors, the CKPC reiterates the concerns of the Parishioners and gives support to their objections which it opines are fair and reasonable. The motion was seconded by Cllr Wilson and formally carried. **RESOLVED that the PDC is informed that following discussions as a result of hearing the case of Parishioner objectors, the CKPC reiterates the concerns of the Parishioners and gives support to their objections which it opines are fair and reasonable.**

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

- 304.17 The monthly accounts were presented for examination. After checking, it was proposed by Cllr Hollard, seconded by Cllr Edwards, that they were accepted as correct. The motion was unanimously carried. **RESOLVED that the accounts as presented are approved and that the Chairman of the meeting be authorised to sign them as such.**
- 305.17 The invoices due for payment were presented and it was proposed by Cllr Page, seconded by Cllr Edwards, that cheques for their payment to creditors be duly validated and invoices paid. **RESOLVED that the invoices and fees as presented be paid.**
- 306.17 The Clerk had reported that BDO had not yet returned the completed audit report. His report was noted.
- 307.17 The Clerk advised that he had not yet received a report of inspection of the playground by RoSPA. His report was noted.
- 308.17 Cllr Burt reported that approximately 2 tonnes of road salt was being stored on CKPC's behalf at Imerys' Furzebrook Road site. Consequently, he opined there was probably no need to order more at this time from Dorset County Council. Councillors noted his comments and agreed with him.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 309.17 There was no significant correspondence reported.

OTHER ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

- 310.17 There were no matters put forward

ITEMS FOR THE NOVEMBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- 311.17 No items were recommended at this time.

PERIOD FOR DISCUSSION

- 312.17 Cllr Wilson suggested that because the Parish Council currently had no permanent Chairman/Convenor, the Clerk be asked to filter e-mails before forwarding them to Members. This was agreed by the Clerk and all Members.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

- 313.17 There being no further matters Cllr Page closed the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Action list– not part of minutes.

ACTION LIST FROM SEPTEMBER MINUTES

Minute No	Action	Responsibility
286.17	Cllr Higgens should act as Chairman for the September Parish Council meeting and until next Parish Council meeting	Cllr Higgens
287.17	Representative Councillors to attend Parish site meetings with DCC Highways Officer Ms Dawn Atkin on 16 th October to discuss parking, speed limits and other matters. Clerk to confirm date & venue.	Cllrs Burt, Page & Bugler Clerk
293.17	Cllr Higgens to upload September Minutes to website	Cllr Higgens
295.17	Cllrs Page & Edwards to discuss environmental project funding	Cllrs Page & Edwards

	and work in the Parish being carried out by DWT with DWT and contact be made with the Herpetological Society regarding their projects within the Parish.	Clerk
297.17	Cllr Higgins to report further on contact with Steeple PM's support of CKPC's proposals for East Creech.	Cllr Higgins
302.17	Clerk to request reinstatement of "Weekly List" from PDC	Clerk
312.17	Filtering of e-mails before forwarding to Members until appointment of "permanent" Chairman	Clerk