

# MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on :14/04/2010

Starting at: 19:30

Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: In the Chair: Cllr Simon Curtis Cllr Paul Morgan  
 Cllr Tom Palmer Cllr Marion Regan  
 Cllr Gill Harvey

Also: -

In attendance: Mr Colin Fletcher (Parish Clerk)

**243 Apologies:** Mrs D Jones (District Councillor)  
 Mrs H Cox (County Councillor)  
 Mr M Cox (District Councillor)

**244 Declarations of Interest:**  
 Cllr Morgan declared an interest in matters relating to the Sports Club.

**245 Minutes:**  
 The word "metalled" was changed to "tarmac" in minute 238.5.1. After this alteration, the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

**246 Matters Arising:**

246.1 Arising from minute 235.2 – pot holes - Cllr Regan has a list to re-submit. All others and members of the public were urged to submit details direct to Dorset County Council or through the Clerk. *All*

246.2 Arising from minute 235.3 – Cllr Harvey has spoken with the shop owner regarding a possible seat at the shop – he is happy for this to go ahead. Also, he is happy to supply water for watering the proposed planting at Milton Road junction – although it was felt that a hose would be too long, he would be happy for his water butt to be used.

246.3 Arising from minute 235.4 – Cllr Morgan will continue to look into transport for health appointments, etc. – see later minute in Grants about Neighbourcar. *PM*

246.4 Arising from 235.5 – Padlocks for the Sports field – all keys have been numbered and passed to the Sports Club for distribution – the list will be sent to the Clerk. A replacement fee of £100.00 for any lost keys is to be imposed. *Clerk*

246.5 Arising from minute 235.6 – Sue Sadler of Dorset County Council is looking again at the possibility of a speed restriction on Lane End – Cllr Curtis will also speak with Steve Howard to see if he can help *Clerk SC*

246.6 Arising from minute 235.7 – dog fouling – everyone is to be encouraged to report incidents to the Dog Warden at North Dorset District Council on the basis that the more reports there are, the more likely action is to be taken – reports need to be specific relating to location and time, etc..

246.7 Arising from minute 236.1 – accounts will be presented at the next meeting in readiness for the Audit. *Clerk*

246.8 Arising from minute 237.1 – Steve Howard from Dorset County Council is liaising with the occupier of the house adjoining the Milton Road junction with regard to the garden wall.

246.9 Arising from minute 238.5.1 – footway in Lane End – work is due to begin on 19 April 2010.

**247 Correspondence:**

247.1 Notification from PWLB that the next payment will be taken on 15 April 2010.

247.2 Email from Dave Andrews regarding white lining of the car park at the shop – he hopes to carry out the work within the next few weeks.

247.3 Homewatch newsletter from Blandford Rural Police – no reported crimes in Milborne St Andrew during March.

247.4 Other correspondence was passed to Councillors in the usual circulation envelope for consideration outside the meeting.



- 248**                    **Questions from Members of the Public**
- 248.1                  Tony Dyer spoke from the floor regarding the Parish Plan – the draft summary will be published in the next copy of The Reporter. He will also make a presentation at the Annual Parish Meeting – and he mentioned that in particular limited development will need to be monitored over the next couple of years.
- 248.2                  Milton Road corner – concern was expressed over the size of the proposed planting beds – which, it was felt, would make the footway area too narrow. Cllr Curtis has already arranged for the beds to be reduced – work should commence once the new footway has been completed at Lane End.
- 248.3                  Tony Dyer pointed out that 77% of the people who completed the Parish Plan survey wanted the bus stop moved to the lay-by in Blandford Hill – including the younger people who responded. A question was raised as to how many of that 77% actual are bus users. See later minute on this subject.
- 248.4                  Grit Bins – a suggested location was made of the Parish Pit area.
- 248.5                  Access to the Sports Field – the question was asked as to why the gates to the area are kept locked. Cllr Curtis pointed out that, now the new gates are in situ, the pedestrian access is open at all times – but the main vehicular access is kept locked to protect against fly tipping, etc.. If anyone feels excluded, they should let the Parish Council or Sports Club know and they will see if their concerns can be addressed.
- 248.6                  Milton Road – concern was expressed about the speed of vehicles and possible danger to children waiting for school buses. Also, drainage problems caused by blocked drains – villagers were urged to contact Dorset County Council regarding any blocked drains they encounter.  
Concern was also expressed about rising water levels at March Bridge – the Clerk will contact the Environment Agency for an explanation.
- 248.7                  Pub – the location of tubs appears to be making it difficult for some lorries using this area for deliveries – causing potential traffic problems.
- 249**                    **NDDC Strategy Consultation**  
The Chairman urged all Councillors and members of the public to visit the display at North Dorset District Council offices and feed back any comments to the Clerk. Cllr Morgan will provide some information to The Reporter.
- 250**                    **Reports/Discussion**
- 250.1                  **Environment & Transport**
- 250.1.1                Corner of Milton Road – Three quotes for plants have been received - £360 (Chichester Plants), £394.01 (Woodland Nurseries) and £426.08 (Wareham). Cllr Morgan proposed going with the quote from Chichester Plants – seconded by Cllr Palmer. The Milborne St Andrew Reporter has confirmed that it will sponsor the bench which will cost £495.00. The bin will be provided by North Dorset District Council at no cost to the Parish Council as a replacement for the on burnt out some years ago in the Square.  
There was some concern over watering – the scheme has been designed using drought resistant plants. The Gardening Club has agreed to maintain the beds in conjunction with the local school.  
See also minutes 246.2, 246.8 and 248.2 above.
- 250.1.2                Repositioning of the bus stop to Blandford Hill lay-by – also see minute 248.3 above – a meeting will be arranged for further discussion.
- 250.2                  **Education & Training**
- 250.2.1                Liaison continues with the school regarding their involvement with the Parish Council.
- 250.3                  **Volunteers & Community**
- 250.3.1                Village Hall & MUGA – The possibility of the grant which has been given to the Village Hall being transferred to the Parish Council was discussed and consideration was given to whether the Council could afford to fund the VAT element of the MUGA purchase until such time as it could be refunded.  
A meeting will be set up with the Village Hall Committee to discuss the

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arrangements in detail – Cllr Regan will arrange this and as many Councillors as are able to will attend. The Clerk will contact the VAT office for a definitive ruling on whether or not the VAT can be reclaimed.

- 250.4 **Business & Employers**  
Concern was expressed about the damage being caused to trees at the rear of the Milborne St Andrew Business Centre. Southern Electric are carrying out overhead cable works and removing many trees. The Clerk will advise North Dorset District Council. Clerk
- 250.5 **Sport & Recreation**
- 250.5.1 Dorset County Council will shortly be undertaking work to connect the footway from Blandford Hill to the new entrance gates to the Sports Field.
- 250.5.2 Land between the Sports Field and Blandford Hill – the Clerk will continue investigating letting this area for grazing. Clerk
- 250.5.3 The CPEND Grant has been confirmed in the sum of £5,000.00 for the provision of a tarmac access pathway from the entrance gate to the pavilion. SC
- 250.5.4 Painting and screening of the large sea container is due to take place soon.
- 250.6 **Business Plan**  
Nothing new to report although this is under constant review and will be commented on at the Annual Parish Meeting in May.
- 251 **Finance**
- 251.1.1 The following payments were agreed and cheques were signed:  
£12.00 – Milborne St Andrew Village Hall – venue hire.  
.£50.00 – Grant to Milton Abbas Neighbourcar - see later minute
- 251.1.2 Cllr Harvey agreed to become another signatory for the Parish Council's bank account - Clerk is to arrange. Clerk
- 251.2 The Council's grant application for CPEND funding for a footpath to provide improved access to the sports pavilion has been approved in the sum of £5,000.00 and the money has been applied for. Clerk
- 251.3 **Grant Administration**
- 251.2.1 An application from the Milton Abbas Neighbourcar for assistance with the volunteer transport scheme recently set up. This was unanimously agreed.
- 251.2.2 An application has been received from the Village Hall Trustees for assistance with repairs to existing play equipment. After consideration, it was unanimously agreed to refuse the application and suggest that a meeting be held to discuss the matter of play equipment in general so that all parties may know exactly what future proposals are. Proposed Cllr Regan, seconded Cllr Harvey. The Clerk will inform the Trustees. Clerk
- 251.2.3 It was felt that future grants made should include a requirement for the group receiving the grant to publicise the source of the funding. The Clerk will amend the application forms accordingly. Clerk
- 252 **Planning**  
None
- 253 **Matters of Interest and/or for Information**
- 253.1 Date of the Annual Village Quiz – 1 May 2021  
Date of the Village Hall Annual general Meeting – 15 May 2010

The meeting closed at 21:30

### **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 26 May 2010 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall Committee Room.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Friday 28 May 2010 at 7:00pm in the main hall of the Village Hall.