

# MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES



Held on :07/07/2010

Starting at: 19:30

Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall

Present: In the Chair: Cllr Marion Regan Cllr Michael Hopper  
Cllr Paul Morgan

Also: Mr M Cox (District Councillor)

In attendance: Mr Colin Fletcher (Parish Clerk)

**16** **Apologies:** Mrs D Jones (District Councillor) Mrs H Cox (County Councillor)

**17** **Election of a Chairman**  
Cllr Regan, in the Chair for the opening of the meeting, explained that Cllr Curtis (Chairman) had resigned and the Clerk read out an email received from Cllr Curtis. Cllr Regan proposed that Cllr Hopper be elected as Chairman; this was seconded by Cllr Morgan and unanimously agreed. Cllr Hopper took the Chair. Cllr Regan agreed to remain as Deputy Chair. Cllr Hopper thanked Cllr Curtis for all that he had done in his time as Chairman of the Parish Council, for his persistence and his patience and instructed the Clerk to write to Mr Curtis accordingly.

**Action**

Clerk

**18** **Declarations of Interest:**  
None

**19** **Co-Option of a Councillor**  
Mr John Harris had previously expressed an interest in becoming a Councillor and, after discussion, Cllr Morgan proposed that Mr Harris be co-opted. This was seconded by Cllr Regan. All agreed and Cllr Harris took his place. Cllr Harris also agreed to consider becoming a Flood warden for the village.

JH

**20** **Minutes:**  
The minutes of the previous two meetings were accepted as true and correct records and were signed by the Chairman.

**21** **Matters Arising:**  
21.1 Arising from minute 257.3 - the Clerk has heard back from the Environment Agency who confirm that they are constantly monitoring water levels in the village.  
21.2 Arising from minute 259.2 - the footpath between Crown Court and Stileham Bank has been attended to.  
21.3 Arising from minute 261.5.2 - land between the Sports Field and Blandford Hill - no further action has been taken with regard to letting the land for grazing although a form of licence has been drafted. It was felt that other possible uses may also need to be considered.

**22** **Correspondence:**  
22.1 Homewatch Newsletter from Blandford Rural South Police - no reported crimes in Milborne St Andrew.  
22.2 Email from Brian Cullum - resigning as Flood Warden as from 1 July 2010. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Cullum thanking him for the work he has put in over the past years.  
22.3 Email from Nigel Hodder regarding Neighbourcar - the Clerk has responded saying that the Council would be happy to place their details on the village notice boards and also giving him the Reporter contact.  
22.4 Email from Colin Fletcher (Clerk) - the Clerk read out his own email which had been sent to all Councillors tendering his resignation with effect from the end of September 2010. The Clerk agreed to reconsider the matter over the next few weeks and will email all Councillors again in due course.

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## 23 **Questions from Members of the Public**

- 23.1 Mr Dyer reported that the Parish Plan should be circulated in final draft form before the next meeting when he will be asking the Parish Council to adopt it as a source document. The Plan will also be circulated to all residents in The reporter and will also remain on the village website as a "live" document.
- 23.2 Mr Dyer also mentioned that he has an amount of gravel available for improvements to Footpath 20 and the situation there has already improved.
- 23.3 It was reported that the condition of the wooden seat at the Parish Pit has deteriorated. Cllr Harris agreed to look at the seat and effect repairs.
- 23.4 Fly tipping has been noticed on Snag Lane - the Clerk will report this through the "Fixmystreet" website.
- 23.5 The condition of Roake Road continues to deteriorate - the Clerk will email Dorset County Council Highways again (and copy to Cllr Mrs Cox at Dorset County Council).

JH

Clerk

Clerk

## 24 **Reports/Discussion**

### 24.1 **Environment & Transport**

- 24.1.1 Corner of Milton Road - the Clerk reminded Councillors that funding had been agreed previously for the purchase of plants for this scheme. However, now that the scheme had been changed, the costing would need to be looked at again. Cllr Regan agreed to look into the costs of the revised scheme and will report to the next meeting.
- 24.1.2 Bus Stop move to Blandford Hill - there had been an open public meeting immediately prior to the Parish Council meeting where some members of the public had expressed their views regarding the possible move and a petition against the move had been submitted.  
Cllr Harris proposed that the stop should not be moved for the foreseeable future. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Regan. A vote was then held - 3 for and 1 abstention. No further action will be taken at this stage. The Clerk is to inform Dorset County Council Highways.

MR

Clerk

### 24.2 **Education & Training**

- 24.2.1 The Clerk is to find out when "New Councillor" and "New Chair" courses are next available through DAPTC.

Clerk

### 24.3 **Volunteers & Community**

- 24.3.1 No report

### 24.4 **Business & Employers**

No report

### 24.5 **Sport & Recreation**

- 24.5.1 The Clerk is to contact the Sports Club regarding rent and additional payments now due.

Clerk

### 24.6 **Business Plan**

No report

## 25 **Finance**

- 25.1 The following payments were agreed and cheques were signed:  
£257.23 - Came & Co. - insurance premium  
£15.86 - Milborne St Andrew First School - venue hire for last meeting  
£384.53 - Colin Fletcher - Clerk's salary for April, May and June  
£283.56 - DAPTC Subscription  
£36.50 - Milborne St Andrew Village Hall - venue hire for April and May  
£851.00 - PCC - see minute 25.2.1 below

### 25.2 **Grant Administration**

- 25.2.1 An application had been received from the PCC to cover the cost of

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maintaining the church yard. After consideration it was unanimously agreed that a grant in the sum of £851.00 should be made. The Clerk will send a cheque (see minute 25.1 above).

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**Planning**

None

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**Matters of Interest and/or for Information**

- 27.1 Cllr Hopper agreed to be the Parish Council representative with DAPTC.
- 27.2 Cllr Hopper has photographic evidence of a large lorry unnecessarily mounting the pavement in the centre of the village - he will pass this to the police.
- 27.3 Local Development Framework - Cllr Cox confirmed that the original plan will continue - due to expire next year, but it can be extended. Cllr Morgan said that it was important to know how much new housing requirement could possibly be allocated to Milborne St Andrew. Cllr Cox replied that that is very much "up in the air" until a new local plan is created.
- 27.4 Grit bins - Cllr Morgan reported that three people have volunteered to be part of the "Grit Squad". The purchase and location of grit bins will be discussed at the next meeting.

MH

The meeting closed at 21:50

**Date and Time of Next Meeting**

8<sup>th</sup> September 2010 in the Village Hall

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