

**Minutes of the Meeting of Bradpole Parish Council held at
Bradpole Village Hall on Thursday 3rd November 2022 at 7.30pm**

7. Democratic 10 Minutes

None.

8. Reports from Outside Organisations

- a) **BLAP** - Cllr Everall advised that the next BLAP meeting will take place in early December. Cllr Everall also advised that the BLAP Health & Wellbeing working group that had been stood down earlier in the year is to be reinstated.
- b) **Western DAPTC** - nothing to report.
- c) **Village Hall** - nothing to report.
- d) **Bradpole Buzz** - nothing to report.
- e) **BANP** - nothing to report.

9. Chairman's Information

Cllr Baker confirmed that the Clerks appraisal would take place within the next week and the weekly Chairman's Report would be out early on Friday 4th November.

10. Planning Applications:

- a)
 - i) **P/HOU/2022/06487 - 14 Claremont Road, Bradpole DT6 3AY** - replace existing single storey extension with a larger single storey extension - No objections.
 - ii) **P/FUL/2022/06458 - 1 Middle Street, Bradpole DT6 3HS** - change of use from shop (A1) to office (B8) with stock for internet sales with no changes to building - No objections.
- b) **Approvals:**
 - P/HOU/2022/05113 - 28 Suttill Crescent, Pymore - erect rear extension** - Application approved 12th October 2022.
- c) **To consider any applications received after published agenda**
 - i) **P/HOU/2022/06706 - Koala Cottage, Middle Street, Bradpole DT6 3HU** - erect single storey rear extension - No objections.
 - ii) **P/HOU/2022/06540 - 55 East Road, Bridport DT6 4AL** - change of use of existing workshop/store to residential annexe - As neighbours to the property, both Cllr Baker and Cllr Everall declared an interest in the application. It was agreed that due to the short notice and delayed application form, Councillors to email their responses to the Deputy Clerk by 14th November for a corporate response to be formulated and submitted.

11. DAPTC AGM - to agree voting intentions on motions and confirm which BPC Councillor will cast the Parish Council's single vote

Cllr Baker confirmed that he would attend the DAPTC AGM and cast the Parish Council's single vote for each motion. The 11 motions submitted for the DAPTC AGM were discussed by Councillors with the Parish Council agreeing to the following:

Motion A - In favour	Motion E - Abstain	Motion I - In Favour
Motion B - Abstain	Motion F - Abstain	Motion J - In Favour
Motion C - In Favour	Motion G - In Favour	Motion K - Abstain
Motion D - Abstain	Motion H - In Favour	

12. Happy to Chat Benches

The overall aim of happy to chat benches is to help tackle loneliness in communities and promote mental Wellbeing. Cllr Everall suggested that it was a nice initiative to support and the suggestion that one of the benches at the Railway Crossing Gardens would be a suitable bench was agreed.

Proposed: Cllr N Chilcott

Seconded: Cllr S Morgan

Resolved

13. Correspondence

- a) **DAPTC Information** - all information circulated.
- b) **NALC Information** - all information circulated.
- c) **BTC - Bridport Investment Plan Draft** - the draft had previously been circulated to Councillors who felt that the plan had lots of ambitious ideas but raised the question where would the money come from to fund the ideas and were any of the projects based in Bradpole? It was confirmed that the Parish Council have until the end of November to submit comments on the draft Bridport Investment Plan.
- d) **Request from Pymore Village Management Committee for extra funding for reed bed clearing works** - the Clerk advised that as the Parish Council had already paid out its allocated community funds, it was unable to contribute anymore funds to the reed bed clearing works. All agreed.
- e) **To consider any correspondence received after published agenda** -
 - Village Road - the Clerk advised Cllr Clayton that a resident had first reported the issue of overhanging branches on the pavement of Village Road backing onto properties in Drew Close in May 2021. Work to cut the tops of the trees was due to take place this Autumn but is still outstanding. Cllr Clayton agreed to chase up.
 - Overgrown hedges - a resident had contacted the council regarding overgrown hedges on footpaths in the parish. The Clerk advised the resident that the hedges were the responsibility of Dorset Council and provided the resident with the necessary online link to report the issue to Dorset Council.
 - Notices at Spray Copse Farm - the Clerk confirmed that Dorset Council have circulated notices confirming the public path diversion order and public path extinguishment order at Spray Copse Farm.

14. Finance:

a) Payments for agreement and approval:

- 1881 - B Burton - Grass Cutting October 2022 £550
- 1882 - Quantum Enterprise - Website SSL Certificate £34.95
- 1883 - Mrs J Hughes - Wages £319.47 and Pension Contribution £11.96
- 1884 - Mrs S Goldsmith - Wages £420.73
- 1885 - HMRC - Tax and NI £184

Proposed: Cllr A Smart

Seconded: Cllr N Chilcott

Resolved

b) Bank Balances:

Current Account: £53,380.61

Deposit Account: £25,223.11

The Clerk confirmed that the Finance Working Group meeting for the 2023/24 budget proposals had been arranged and the NALC pay scales for 2022/23 had been received with the new pay rates to be back dated to 1st April 2022.

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None.

16. Parish Maintenance:

a) Pageants Playground Inspectors Report 2022

The Clerk confirmed that the playground inspectors report had been received advising the following:

- Swing seats require replacement - new swings being installed.
- Playground signage requires emergency number - Deputy Clerk progressing.
- It was also noted by a Councillor that the screw bolts on the nest carousel require replacement so the playground inspector to be asked to replace and the Clerk confirmed that the hedge cutting at Pageants Field will take place next week, weather permitting.

17. Clerks Information

The Deputy Clerk attended the DAPTC Clerks Conference which focused on the “Working Together” initiative. Information provided to all Councillors via a link in the Chairman’s Weekly Report dated 28th October 2022.

18. Councillors Information

- Cllr W Smart advised that there are overhanging brambles along Village Road - the Clerk confirmed she would get the Lengthsman to look at.

19. Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Thursday 1st December 2022.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed: C Baker

Dated: 1st December 2022