***Bryanston Parish Council***

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

**10th November 2022 at The Old Powerhouse (TOPH), Bryanston.**

**Councillors:** Cllr C Tompsett -Chairman, Cllr C Gale – Vice Chairman, Cllr F Stocks, Cllr M Bird, and Cllr C Moxham

**In attendance:** Nicola Phillips – Clerk, Dorset Councillor Sherry Jespersen, 1 member of the public.

***At this point the Chairman acknowledged the passing of HRH Queen Elizabeth II, who’s dedication to her role was exemplary***

Public consultation – there were none.

**22/23. To receive and accept apologies of absence and declaration of interest and dispensations**

There were none.

**22/24. Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated the 13th of July 2022.**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Stock and seconded by Cllr Gale that the contents were a true and accurate record, and the minutes were signed by the Chairman.

 **RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes dated the 13th of July 2022 (22/24 – no budgetary requirements)

**22/25. Matters arising from the meeting dated the 13th of July 2022 and new matters**

* **Setting up the Charity for the benefit of the village** – Mr and Mrs Conlon, Mrs Newbrook and Cllr M Bird agreed to be Trustees of the Charity, and the Clerk has agreed to be the Officer for the Charity. The Clerk will now apply for the Charity and contact the members in due course once it has been set up. **Action – Clerk**
* **Portman View lights** – The Clerk will ask Stonewater Association to replace these lights as soon as possible as the Parish Council are supporting the dark sky’s project and the lights that are in place now are not suitable.  **Action – Clerk**
* **To agree officers’ roles –** the following was agreed:
* **Bryanston School Cllr C Tompsett**
* **Highways Cllr C Tompsett and Clerk**
* **Environment Team Cllr M Bird to lead full Council**
* **Planning Cllr F Stocks**
* **DAPTC Clerk**
* **Footpaths To encourage residents in the village to report issues**
* **Bryanston Estate Cllr C Tompsett**
* **A350 group No longer required**
* **The Old Powerhouse Cllr C Moxham**
* **Blandford + Neighbourhood plan Cllr C Tompsett and Cllr F Stocks**
* **To agree budget/precept for 2023-2024 –** the Clerk had circulated a proposed budget. After a few adjustments, Cllr Moxham proposed the precept for 2023-2024 be set at £10795.00, this was seconded by Cllr Stocks, all Councillors in favour. The precept has increased by £1441.16, which will equate to approximately £7.00 increase a year for D band households in the Parish for the year. This increase is necessary due to the rising costs to the Parish Council for village maintenance, website that is a legal requirement, an increase in Clerk’s wages, insurance, and membership fees. Unfortunately, the Parish Council does not own land or assets that can produce an income.

 **RESOLVED:** to set the precept for 2023-2024 at £10795.00 (22/25 – no budgetary requirements required)

* **Policy for Signage in the village** – after debate and information from Dorset Councillor Jespersen, the policy for signage will be reconsidered after the Clerk has spoken to Dorset Councils highways team.
* **Community Hall Project** – S106 monies have been allocated to a Village Hall project from the proposed Taylor Whimpey development at lower Bryanston. The Old Powerhouse is registered as a Community Interest Company, so proposals will be produced to improve the Portman Room at The OP to use as a Village Hall. Cllr Moxham will meet with the Village Hall Steering Group and come back with proposals.

**22/26. Co-option for new Councillor –** There were no applicants.

**22/27. Receive report from Dorset Council representative**

Cllr Jespersen circulated a report, which will be available on the Parish Councils website.

Cllr Jespersen reported that there is a lot of help available from Dorset Council for residents to deal with the increases in energy bills and general living costs. Residents are urged to seek help sooner rather than later, and certainly before getting into debt by visiting the Dorset Council website. The black button at the top of any page, will direct people to the cost-of-living information page. Residents without access to a computer can visit Dorset Council hub in Blandford or can telephone Dorset Council’s customer services on 01305 221000 - Opening times are Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 5pm.

Dorset Council have released new community grants, which this year is focusing on supporting community buildings to provide support for their local residents.

**22/28. Officers’ reports:**

**Vice Chairman report -** There have been three meetings so far with Taylor Wimpey with regard to the Lower Bryanston Farm development and have found their responses to be less than satisfactory. I am still waiting for a reply to my recent email to the Dorset Council ecology department.

**Bryanston School –** nothing to report.

**Highways –** Nothing to report.

**Environment Team –** In the spring, CPRE are organising a hedge walk project and are asking for volunteers to help look at what hedges are still around, what has been removed and what needs to be replanted. Cllr Tompsett volunteered.

**Planning –** Cllr Stocks reported the following on planning:

**P/RES/2022/03733 - Land Northeast of Lower Bryanston Farm, Fair Mile Road -** Reserved matters of

appearance, landscaping, layout, and scale pursuant to outline permission for up to 80 houses, granted on 10

March 2020- Bryanston Parish Council’s objection has already been submitted to Dorset Council.

**P/HOU/2022/5992** – 60 New Road - Double garage with car port – No objection

**P/ADV/2022/05796** - Lower Bryanston Farm site - 2 advertisement boards on New Road and Fair Mile Road. Bryanston Parish Council objected – Dorset Council approved.

**P/HOU/2022/03712** – 64 The Cliff - Demolition of conservatory and replacement with single storey link extension to utility

Room – Bryanston Parish Council had no objections.

**P/LBC/2022/06038** – Middle Lodge – Bryanston School – repair 7 lead windows – Bryanston Parish Council had no objections.

**P/FUL/2022/03963** - Deer Park, Crown Meadows, Blandford Forum - Bryanston Estate RFE - Proposal for Phased - Temporary Accommodation – up to 40 caravans – for up to 5 years. The application seeks to provide the accommodation for Ukrainian Refugees – Bryanston Parish Council objected.

**DAPTC –** nothing to report.

**Footpaths –** nothing to report.

**Bryanston Estate –** The estate have been felling trees around the village.

**A350 group –** Nothing to report.

**The Old Powerhouse –** It has been a busy few months, seeing plenty of residents and beyond who have been frequenting the evening events and day classes. Word seems to be spreading, about what The Old Powerhouse actually is.

The Jubilee Big Lunch allowed most people to visit on a more relaxed basis and see how the place has changed.

A 'Jubbly' group has now formed seeking new volunteers to help provide more events to raise funds for the VH project, just like the Jubilee did. Bryanston Parish Council talked about signage from Highways and where this should be placed.

Improvements continue to be made in a sensible order. The garden is next on the list. The Old Powerhouse looks forward to the next village get together and to meeting even more of you.

**Blandford + Neighbourhood plan -** The public consultation stage of the Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan modifications process has been completed and the responses are now being analysed. The Design Code for each council area has been updated and a Local Heritage Asset List prepared with the aim of ensuring the character of key buildings is preserved, when considering planning applications (in the B+ area). The B+ Group has also been working with primary health care providers to update the medical provision policy of the Neighbourhood Plan, to assist Dorset Council in deciding planning applications for new buildings and/or modifications that would increase clinical and healthcare accommodation, e.g. for more GPs and nurses, to meet the ever increasing demands on medical provision in our area.

The Memorandum of Understanding for the three councils, including Bryanston PC, to work together has been updated and due to be signed.

The Parish Council agreed the amended Memorandum of Understanding, the proposed Local Heritage Asset list & letters to be sent to affected homeowner/residents in the Parish and the Regulation 14 public consultation stage of the modification process.

**22/29. Finance**

The Clerk had circulated the Payment Schedule and Financial statement for August, September 2022, which was agreed via email.

The Clerk tabled the Payment Schedule and Financial statement for October 2022 for the sum of £1326.00. This was proposed by Cllr Gale and seconded by Cllr Tompsett, all agreed, and signed by the Chairman. Details are as below:



**RESOLVED**: to pay the payment on the schedule for the sum of £1326.00 (22/29 current account).

The Clerk tabled the bank reconciliation for October, which all Councillors agreed to be correct.

**22/30. Chairman report**

On Sunday 7th November, I was honoured to be invited to lay a wreath, on behalf of the village, at the Bryanston School Remembrance Service at St Martin’s Church, Bryanston, together with Cllr Catherine Moxham. The ceremony remembered the 85 ex-pupils who were killed in WW2 and the Korean war, and the Bryanston village residents James Forrester who was killed in the Boer War; George and Frederick Cheney, James Croft, Harry Mitchell, and Samuel Reglar in WW1; and Henry Back, Bernard Morgan and Eric Sturgeon in WW2. A wreath will also be laid on behalf of Bryanston, at the Blandford Forum Remembrance ceremony on 13th November at the Corn Exchange.

We are really fortunate to be living in a beautiful, rural area of Dorset, and in a parish steeped with history. With this in mind, Bryanston Parish Council has taken the opportunity to produce a Local Heritage List of buildings that deserve our protection, as part of the ongoing Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan modification process. This is not a Grade-listing or stopping any homeowner from making changes to their property, just making sure that, if a planning application is needed, any proposed changes are in keeping with the local character of Bryanston. All homeowners affected will be receiving a letter with further information. If approved, Dorset Council Planning will take the Local Heritage Listing into account when deciding a planning application.

Finally, I would like to thank the Parish Council team who have worked hard for the village community all year.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year.

The Chairman also had a report to give in September, but due to the cancelation of the meeting, it was not publicised. The report for September can be seen on the Parish Council’s website.

**22/31. Clerk report – nothing to report.**

**22/32. Items for the next agenda and date of next meeting.**

Co-option for new member.

**Date of next meeting 11th January 2023, to be held at The Old Powerhouse, Bryanston at 7.00pm.**

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**There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.16pm.**