

# CHARLTON MARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held at the Church Rooms on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2009

### 1. Attendance:

Cllr Rodd, Cllr Cooper, Cllr Hill, Cllr Harper, Cllr Plant, Cllr Powell, Cllr Presland, plus 6 members of the public

### Apologies:

DC Cllr Cox, Dist Cllr Moyle, PC Mullins

### 2. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Powell re planning application 2/209/0608: 8 May Grove.

### 3. New Councillors:

Cllr Rodd, chairman, welcomed Cllrs Cooper and Hill to the council and hoped they would enjoy the experience. The clerk will book them on the New Cllr seminar, run by DAPTC, on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Cllrs Plant and Harper will also attend this seminar.

### 4. Open Forum:

Residents from 2 & 2A May Grove came to voice their concerns regarding the retrospective planning application from 8 May Grove for a garden building/log cabin situated on the narrowest piece of the garden, which is in between their two properties. Their main concerns were the following:-

- i. What would its use be - no indication on plans
- ii. Close proximity of the building to the boundaries of their property – No 2 66cm; No2A 1.2 mtrs
- iii. The position of windows and doors are looking towards 2A
- iv. Height – higher than a normal garden shed – lowest point 2.8 mtrs; highest point 3 mtrs
- v. It is as far away from main building as can be and is enclosed with its own fence – about 3 ft high
- vi. No main drainage/sewerage system at present – could this be added at a later date?
- vii. No 2A is on a lower level (about 4ft) and can be overlooked
- viii. Size of the site – Have they used above the legal amount of floor area with other sheds, static caravan and extension to bungalow
- ix. Aware the static caravan on site is connected to some services
- x. States on application no removal of trees/hedging affected by proposal – this had been done beforehand
- xi. Although no direct access, the wall behind building, leading onto May Grove on pavement side, was rebuilt – it could easily be removed giving access

If planning permission was granted could the following conditions be placed upon the building:-

- i. Not to be used for living accommodation at any time including holiday let
- ii. To be moved away from its present location and sited closer to main dwelling

The Parish Council advised they contact immediate neighbours with their concerns, and encourage them to contact NDDC planning dept too. The Parish Council will take into account these concerns when the planning applications are discussed.

Cllr Cooper informed the clerk her home address was incorrect and Cllr Rodd informed the clerk his email address was incorrect.

### 5. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2009:

It was proposed by Cllr Presland and seconded by Cllr Powell that these be a true record. Agreed.

### 6. Finance:

The revised copy of Financial Regulations will be proof read by Cllr Powell ready for adoption at next meeting.

Cheques – proposed Cllr Powell, seconded Cllr Hill, the following cheques are paid. All agreed.

Clerk's salary - as agreed      Clerks Expenses - £20.00 (room) + £12.78 (postage)  
Dorset County Training Partnership - £60.00 (Cllr training)  
Nildram - £41.40 (yearly fee £39.00 + £5.85 vat – the £3.45 paid, a credit note is being sent)  
Gavin Alderman - £165.00 (Play area – new gate, installation of new rope on climbing frame)  
CLP Supplies - £36.58 (paper for info pack, ballot sheet & newsletter)

Monies received:

Grassby and Sons Ltd - £74.30 (interment of ashes)

The outstanding balance of £74.54, being held in the NatWest account, be transferred to the Youth Club account. A letter to NatWest was signed.

The financial report was presented and agreed.

## 7. Planning:

### **Applications Received:**

**2/2009/0570/PLNG:** 13 Greenfield Road, Charlton Marshall – Erect single storey extension and form loft conversion (demolish existing conservatory) – no objections

Cllr Powell left the room.

**2/20090608:** 8 May grove, Charlton Marshall – Erect garden building/log cabin (retrospective) – objections as stated in Open Forum

Cllr Powell returned to the room.

### **Decisions Received:**

**2/2009/0473:** 4 Charlton Beeches, Charlton Marshall – Erect Conservatory –permission granted

**2/2009/0466/PLNG:** Isis Water, Charlton Barrow, Charlton Marshall/Spetisbury – Erect single storage building (demolish existing building) – withdrawn

Clerk to check electoral register for the clarification of Charlton Barrow being in the parish.

A request has been received from the company building the toilet facilities at the Church regarding the placement of a portable toilet on the grass in Riverside Gardens. The council had no objection.

## 8. Play Area:

Cllr Powell gave a report of the area. The rope on slide is getting worn and will need replacing in the near future. The new gate was in place and the new rope on the multiplay was installed. The second gate needs new hinges. The seat is repaired. A resident complained about the bark being unsuitable in the play area, as when it rains it becomes very unpleasant for the children to walk on. On the field are two bike frames, metal sheeting and a few other pieces of debris. A resident reported a tree stump near the exit to Green Close was dangerous. The clerk informed the council she had spoken to Barry Fudge regarding topping up of bark, this will be done after the school holidays. He also suggested the top area of the slide be concreted. Gavin Alderman to be contacted regarding the gate and the top of the slide. Gavin suggested the multiplay could be dismantled and sent away to be sandblasted. Enquiries to be made where this could be done and cost. Countryside Rangers will supply a key for the padlock on log across the entry to the field. The clerk will contact NDDC waste to arrange removal of bike frames and metal sheets. This will probably be chargeable. Cllr Plant will inspect next month. New Cllrs to be included in the rota. Cllr Hill reported a mobile skate park is available for hire. Formation of a sub-committee, for taking the field project forward, to be investigated.

## 9. Parish Plan:

Youth Club – Improved attendance. A canoeing activity has been arranged at Wareham in September.

Community & Neighbourhood – Information sheets – these are printed, ready for delivery with August newsletter.

## 10. Village Hall:

Roger Higgins came with a formal request from the Village Hall committee. Would the Parish Council agree to make the planning application for the new Village Hall. This would mean a considerable saving in costs. It was anticipated the plans would be finalised in the New Year. It was proposed Cllr Presland and seconded by Cllr Harper the Parish Council would make the application when plans were finalised.

## 11. Design Statement:

The papers, regarding Child Okeford's design statement is still in circulation. Cllr Rodd suggested the council put this on hold until the New Year. This will give time for the council to think about the village's future plans and what the next step could be.

## 12. Connecting Dorset:

The email address is set up and working. An invoice from Nildram for the year has been received. A payment of £3.45 was made last month; this will be credited to the council.

## 13. Blandford Leisure Centre Action Group:

A letter was sent to the above after the last meeting stating the council's intentions. Cllr Rodd thanked Cllr Presland for producing the ballot paper for the residents of the village. This will be delivered with the newsletter. A box for returned slips will be placed in the Church Room.

## 14. Website:

Cllr Presland has been in contact with Chris Dewey regarding the management of the site. Website information to match information pack. The clerk raised the issue of her salary being on view for anyone to see in the full minutes. It was suggested as the salary is agreed each year, the minutes to read "Clerk's salary - as agreed".

**15. Traffic Issues:**

Cats eyes will be replaced, no date.

VAS – the setting will be reduced.

Greenfield Road – Steve Howard at Highways informed the clerk the bollards will be installed by DCC and they will try to recoup the costs from Justin Developments

Visibility coming out of Meadow Road. The clerk received a phone call from Highways saying they were not in a position to enforce the cutting back of the trees. As the growth from the trees did not overhang onto the pavement and cause an obstruction to pedestrians they can't force the owners to cut them back/down. They will check for any growth of vegetation into the VAS and remove.

Lengthmans Scheme – Following on from the scheme being trialled in Ferndown, DCC want to know if the council would support the provision of a scheme if it were extended Countywide. After discussion, Cllr Cooper volunteered to attend the meeting DC Cllr Cox has arranged for 21<sup>st</sup> October at the Reading Room, Milton Abbas at 7.00pm.

**16. Parking in Hopegood Close:**

The parking bay is for a resident at No. 25. DCC has had a number of objections to the proposal. The clerk was asked if the Parish Council wished to make an objection. After discussion it was agreed the PC had no objection. The clerk will inform DCC.

**17. Correspondence:**

The correspondence was discussed and will be circulated.

**18. Matters for next meeting:**

Remuneration for stand in clerk - sub committee to meet a.s.a.p.

**19. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009 at 7.30 pm.**

**Meeting closed at 9.45pm.**