

Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle Parish Council

The Minutes of the **Monthly Meeting** held on **Wednesday 14th November 2018** at the Briantspuddle Village Hall, at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillor Sue Jones (Chair)

Also present:	Councillors Charles Barter, Sarah Lowman, Jonathan Haigh, Trevor Poole and Lizzie Guinn.
Also in Attendance:	District Councillors Laura Miller & Cherry Brooks, County Councillor Peter Wharf, and Lindsay Hole (Parish Clerk).

One member of the public was present for public participation.

2018/130 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Graham Brown and Councillor Mike Menzies.

2018/131 Declaration of Interest

There were no further declarations of interest.

2018/132 Public Participation

There were no items of public participation.

2018/133 Minutes 10th October 2018 and Matters Arising

The Minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 10th October 2018 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

Matters arising not included on the agenda:

Armistice Commemoration Ceremony

Thanks were given to Councillor Jonathan Haigh for leading the commemoration ceremony on Sunday. Chair Sue Jones read out a letter of appreciation from Nick Gore for inviting him to lay the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

Best Village Photo

Councillor Trevor Poole was thanked for mounting the Best Village Photo in the Bus Shelter.

Millennium Stone

Councillor Trevor Poole will arrange cleaning of the Millennium Stone and involving close neighbours.

Churchyard Portaloo

Prior to the meeting, the PCC explained that they can't find a position that people would find more suitable at present and that after Christmas the portaloo will be removed until Easter. There was no information available on the status of the planning application. An update on the proposal will be requested from the Church Warden.

Noticeboard update

The Waddock Cross noticeboard will be replaced in the next month. The repairs needed to the Briantspuddle and Affpuddle noticeboards will be undertaken in January. It was noted that during repair notices may have to be removed for a short time.

Daffodil planting

The working group that planted the daffodils in Briantspuddle Woods, in order to commemorate the fallen of both World Wars was thanked. **Action** The Parish Council will be publishing an article in the Parish Magazine.

There were no further items for discussion.

2018/134 Planning Applications

The following planning application was considered.

Application	Description	Date rec'd
6/2018/0530	Mr & Mrs Talbot, 19 Bladen Valley, Briantspuddle, Dorchester, DT2 7HP. Erect single storey rear extension, construction of new first floor rear dormer window and internal alterations.	05/10/2018
6/2018/0529	Mr & Mrs Talbot, 19 Bladen Valley, Briantspuddle, Dorchester, DT2 7HP. Erect single storey rear extension, construction of new first floor rear dormer window, relocate oil tank & lower ground level & erect new garden retaining wall.	05/10/2018
6/2018/0600	Mr Barratt, Chapel Cottage, 4 The Hollow, Briantspuddle, Dorchester. Demolish existing garage and erect new garage/workshop.	07/11/2018

6/2018/0530 & 0529 – 19 Bladen Valley

Voting: Unanimously agreed. Councillors voted to approve the planning application.

6/2018/0600 – Chapel Cottage

Voting: Unanimously agreed. Councillors voted to approve the planning application. It was noted that no information was contained about the removal of asbestos in the planning application. A will be note sent to the Planners asking them to ensure that the asbestos in disposed of in accordance with current legislation.

2018/135 Village Hall

The Village Hall update was provided by Councillor Mike Menzies prior to the meeting.

2018/136 District Councillor's Report

Key highlights from the District Councillors included:

- Handover activities, in preparation for the new unitary authority and being prepared.
- The proposed care home at Wool has received mixed support.
- The Boundary Review results have been published and there will be a two-member ward.
- There will be the reintroduction of Parish Maintenance units, renamed as the Pro-active Maintenance Units. The Parish Council will investigate this development further.
- Consultation on the pre-submission of the local plan is open until 3rd December, a guide has been produced to help people to complete their response.
- Housing portfolio holders have been meeting to see how plans will work across the new authority.

2018/137 Roads and Highways

Roads and Highways issues were discussed as follows:

Waddock Cross – County Councillor Peter Wharf is waiting for a full progress report.

Affpuddle Fingerpost – The post has been removed. The replacement should be complete before Christmas.

Sares Wood – Councillors have received reports of unauthorised 4x4 vehicles using the track, this will be reported to the PCSO.

2018/138 County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Peter Wharf shared a map of the new boundary divisions and explained the changes to the wards.

County Councillor Peter Wharf is on the committee for the structuring the new authority. This is likely to include a number of job cuts, including some at senior levels.

Dorset County Museum have received local tourist attraction of the year award and an award for the most impact on the economy in the area.

2018/139 Southover Farm Slurry Lagoon Planning Application WD/D/18/001035 – Update

Chair Sue Jones provided an update prior to the meeting. The Parish Council discussed a response from the Planning Officer about draft proposed conditions to the Application, in particular the timing of traffic movements and their number each day. A report was given about an incident last week involving two tractor and trailers trying to pass each other. The size of the vehicles meant that verges on both sides of the road were severely damaged as a result of the encounter.

Councillors voiced their concern that the Applicants response to questions by the Planners revealed much greater levels of proposed traffic movements than were disclosed in the original planning application. Councillors were of the view that this information undermined the credibility of the application and that it should therefore be resubmitted. It was decided to voice concerns again to Dorset County Council,

including issues such as the loss of amenity and safety concerns to the community. The Officer will be invited to attend the Parish Council Meeting in December to hear concerns and to discuss the Application.

2018/140 Financial Report and Authorisation of Payments

Cheque No.	Payee	Description	Amount
100654	AWW Garden Services	Grass Cut	153.00
100655	Lindsay Hole	Clerk wages	244.44
100656	HMRC	PAYE	1.60
100657	Village Hall Committee	Rental	25.00
100658	Royal British Legion	PC Wreath	20.00
100659	Stones	War memorial cleaning	1,802.40

Voting: The payments were approved. **Voting Unanimous**

Councillors were informed that the bank balance was £21,902.36.

2018/141 Correspondence and Information

Some items of correspondence were discussed as part of items separately identified on the agenda. Other correspondence was distributed electronically prior to the meeting.

The following correspondence was received:

- PDC – Casual Parish Councillor Vacancies.
- PDC – Election recharges.

2018/142 Risk Assessment Review

In accordance with the Councils' risk assessment procedure, it was noted that there were no concerns to report on the Village Hall (with the exception of the reinstatement insurance), the shop, the car park and the Parish Clerk's office.

2018/143 Parish Clerk Vacancy

One application was received, and the candidate was interviewed. The candidate will be offered the position from 1st January subject to references and will be invited to the December meeting. A contract will be drafted by the current Parish Clerk.

2018/144 Affpuddle wall repair – Update

Councillor Sue Jones reported that the wall repair has been completed. A proposal was made to approve £61 plus VAT of additional costs associated with the work.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council will pay the additional £61 plus VAT for the wall repairs.

Voting: Unanimous.

2018/145 War Memorial Repairs – quote and grant offer

A proposal was made to accept the quotation for £1,782 from Stone's and the grant offer of 50% of the repair costs.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council will proceed with the quote and grant offer.

Voting: Agreed unanimously.

2018/146 Any other business

Peony Cottage

The Parish Council were saddened to hear that Peony Cottage was destroyed by a fire in November.

Church update

Councillor Jonathan Haigh reminded Councillors of the changes to arrangements to the local churches. The benefice will be combined with Wool so that a full time priest will be responsible.

Councillor Resignation

Councillor Jonathan Haigh tendered his resignation due to a change in personal circumstances. The Chair thanked Councillor Jonathan Haigh for his valued contribution to the Parish Council.

There were no further items for discussion.

2018/147 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 12th December 2018 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm