

CHILD OKEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Child Okeford Parish Council Annual Meeting held on 9th May 2022 at Child Okeford Community Centre at 7.00pm

Present

Cllr. M Giles (Chair), Cllr. K Baird (Vice-Chair), Cllr. K Knapton, Cllr. Mark Kerridge, Cllr. Tim Cotton and Cllr. Robert Smith

In Attendance: Philippa Tandoh – Parish Clerk
Ward Cllr. Sherry Jespersen
0 Members of the Public

Apologies for absence were received from:

Cllr. Sylvia Holdeman & Alan Blundell – Footpaths Officer

22.05.01 To Receive Declarations of Interest in Matters on the Agenda

None to report.

22.05.02 Election of Chairman of the Council

The Council elected Cllr. Mary Giles as Chairman of the Council for one year to May 2023

Proposed: Cllr. R Smith **Seconded:** Cllr. K Baird

22.05.03 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council

The Council elected Cllr. Kirsty Baird and Cllr. Karen Knapton as Co-Vice Chairman of the Council for one year to May 2023

Proposed: Cllr. R Smith **Seconded:** Cllr. M Kerridge

22.05.04 Appointment of Other Officers and Working Groups

Cllr. Karen Knapton resigns as Publicity Officer. Highways and Publicity will remain vacant until current Councillor vacancies are filled. Clerk to investigate Best Kept Village and contact the Officer.

22.05.05 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 4TH APRIL 2022.

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 4th April 2022.

Proposed: Cllr. B Smith **Seconded:** Cllr. K Knapton

22.05.06 To Discuss Matters arising from the previous Minutes

- a. In response to Agenda item 22.04.04a in the previous meeting's minutes, Cllr. Mark Kerridge did not have to declare an interest in the planning application.
- b. Progress is being made with the new village website.

22.05.07 Public Participation – No public present.

- a. Ward Cllr. Sherry Jespersen reports that Dorset Council are now welcome Ukrainian refugees to the county. The working group, Dorset Together, has rebanded post COVID-19 to assist Dorset Council with aiding refugees. She advises the Council that it is not too late to offer your home should you be able to help. Cllr. Jespersen also informs the Parish Council that Dorset's Children's Services were recently inspected by Ofsted and has made a significant improvement from previous years.

22.05.08 Footpaths Report – The Footpaths Officer sent apologies ahead of the meeting.

22.05.09 Tree Matters – None to report.

22.05.10 Highways Matters

- a. Response received from Paul Starkey, Community Highways Officer regarding Haywards Lane spring. Funding has been allocated for the works to be completed this financial year – a closure has been placed on Haywards Lane for the end of May.
- b. Pole testing being carried out at Lower Road, Manston between the Church and Manston Farmhouse on the 11th May. The road will be closed between 09:30 – 15:30.
- c. Haywards Lane closure from Allen Close to Station Road between 30th May and 1st June. This will be a 24 hour closure.

22.05.11 Neighbourhood Plan/Village Design Statement

Cllr. Jespersen passed on helpful contacts to Mark Kerridge prior to the meeting, who advised Cllr Kerridge that the Village Design Statement has now been superseded by the Neighbourhood Plan. However, sites would still need to be allocated for housing within the village. After discussion, the Council agree to postpone any future Neighbourhood Plan until new legislation is confirmed.

22.05.12 Planning Matters

- a. To Receive Decisions of Dorset Council
 - i. **P P/FUL/2022/00758 Fernhayes, Duck Street, Child Okeford, DT11 8ET**
Proposal: Convert barn and erect extension to form 1 No unit of holiday accommodation.
PARISH COUNCIL OBSERVATION: NO OBJECTION
DORSET COUNCIL DECISION: GRANTED
 - ii. **P/HOU/2021/05312 Crispins, Rectory Lane, Child Okeford, DT11 8DT**
Proposal: Erect single storey extension. Erect carport. Erect shed and a greenhouse. Installation of solar panels. Replace roof tiles with natural slate and render all external walls.
PARISH COUNCIL OBSERVATION: NO OBJECTION
DORSET COUNCIL DECISION: GRANTED
- b. To Consider Planning Applications – None to report.
- c. To Consider Planning Appeals – None to report.
- d. Other Planning Matters – None to report.

22.05.13 Finance, Accounting and Administration Matters

- a. To Approve the Schedule of Payments
The Council **RESOLVED** Approval of the Payments Schedule and total amount of £2242.36 for APRIL 2022. **Proposed: Cllr. M Giles Seconded: Cllr. B Smith**
- b. To Approve the Statement of Accounts to 30.04.2022.
The Council reviewed and **RESOLVED** to approve the Statement of Accounts to 30.04.2022. **Proposed: Cllr. B Smith Seconded: Cllr. K Knapton**
- c. To Consider Replacement Footpath Gates at a Cost of £1965
After discussion, the Council request for this item to be added to the Agenda of the next meeting in June.
- d. To Consider a Grant Request for the Platinum Jubilee Village Event of £800.
The Council **RESOLVED** to approve a grant request for £800 to come from Projects within the budget. **Proposed: Cllr. R Smith Seconded: Cllr. M Giles**
- e. To Approve the Jubilee Village Event as a Parish Council Event
The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Jubilee Event as a Parish Council Event. **Proposed: Cllr. M Giles Seconded: Cllr. K Knapton**

22.05.14 Correspondence and Information

- a. A Correspondence Report was circulated prior to the meeting and no further discussion was needed. Please see attached on page 3.

22.05.15 Jubilee Events

Cllr. Tim Cotton confirms the Jubilee Events. On Thursday evening, the beacon lighting event will take place from 8pm on Hambledon Hill. There will be a BBQ present to purchase food from and a choir to sing. There will be vehicles offering transport to those who cannot climb the hill, booking details are to be confirmed. The suggested path to the event is the chalk path on the Shroton side of the hill. On Sunday, there will be a village photo at The Cross starting at 12pm and then walk to the recreation ground for picnic, music and rounders.

Cllr. Knapton suggests encouraging villagers to decorate their own homes ahead of the Jubilee.

22.05.16 Matters of Interest

- a. Cllr. Smith reminds the Council about the Pheasant Fest event this weekend at The Baker Arms in aid of Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.
- b. Cllr. Smith updates the Council on the SID.
- c. Cllr. Giles has a sign that was due to be placed on the Millbrook noticeboard some years ago.
ACTION: Clerk to arrange Paul Corbett to hang the sign.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will held on Monday 6th June 2022.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.08pm

Signed Dated

Chairman of the Council

Correspondence Report

Correspondence received to the Clerk between 29/03/2022 – 01/05/2022

Date:	Received From:	Regarding:
29/03/2022	Rosie Darkin-Miller	Confirmation of Internal Audit 21/22
30/03/2022	Resident	Highways Complaint
31/03/2022	Resident	Details of Allotment Contact
01/03/2022	Resident	Request for Allotment Contact Details
04/04/2022	Highways	Confirmed Closure – Duck Street
04/04/2022	Resident	Request for Village Design Statement
06/04/2022	HMPC Ltd	Invoice
07/04/2022	Footpath Officer	Annual Report
13/04/2022	Paul Starkey	Update on Haywards Lane/Station Road
13/04/2022	Resident	Request for Allotment Contact Details
15/04/2022	S Lomas	Invoice
18/04/2022	Resident	Apple Path Query
22/04/2022	Dorset Planning	Notification of Planning Committee P/FUL/2022/00197
25/04/2022	Dorset Council	Precept Remittance
27/04/2022	Dorset Highways	Confirmed Closure – Lower Road
28/04/2022	Dorset Council	Confirmation of Hearing Attendance