

# CHILD OKEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Child Okeford Parish Council held on  
2<sup>nd</sup>. JULY 2018 at the Community Centre, Station Road,  
Child Okeford DT11 8EL at 7.00pm**

## **Attendance and approval of Apologies for Absence**

**Present:** Cllr Martin Rudd (Chairman), Cllr. Mary Giles (Vice-Chairman), Cllr. Kirsty Baird, Cllr Philip Blake, Cllr Sylvia Holdeman, Cllr. Sherry Jespersen and Cllr Robert Smith

**Apologies for absence were received from** Cllr. Michael Hepburn and Cllr. James Chetwode

**In Attendance:** Parish Clerk – Mal Derricott  
7 Members of the public were present

## **Declarations of Interest in Matters on the Agenda**

There were no declarations of interest

### **18/31 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup>. JUNE 2018**

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup>. JUNE 2018.

### **18/32 Matters arising from previous minutes - None**

### **18/33 Councillor's Reports**

Not received yet.

### **18/34 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Alan Blundell offered the use of the Village Hall for future public meeting.
- Angie Schweir - Beehive Storage Site – Outlined some arguments against this planning application. There is public meeting arranged for 3<sup>rd</sup>. July. The comments will be sent to the clerk

### **18/35 Footpaths**

The Footpaths Co-ordinator, Alan Blundell reported as follows:

- All footpaths are cleared just now and dry.
- The broken stile at FP14 is awaiting repair but it is not a regularly used footpath.
- Update on the permissive path from Legal Lane – this is being pursued and Alan has had 8 replies to confirm regular use and would like many more to submit with the application.
- Kissing gate at the bottom of pine walk needs removal of brambles to ensure access.

### **18/36 Tree Matters**

The WI has generously offered a gift of an oak tree for the village to celebrate its 80<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary. Councillors gave consideration of a location for the tree.

The Council suggested that the oak tree is planted on the school boundary in the recreation ground. It was felt that finding a location for a potentially large oak tree is difficult and discussed other ideas for a commemorative gift.

18/36 Tree Matters (continued)

The council put forward a suggestion that the as there is a need for a teapot for the Community Centre would they consider this as an appropriate gift of commemoration of their 80<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary.

**ACTION** Clerk to contact the WI with this suggestion

#### 18/37 Planning Matters

a) **Decisions on planning applications:** None

b) **Planning applications:**

18/0805 – Melway House, Melway Lane - Construct 25m X 50m riding area (for private use)

**PARISH COUNCIL OBSERVATION: NO OBJECTION**

c) **Planning Appeals**

**P/App No. Saxon Inn, Gold Hill DT11 8HD – Appeal/0009/2018**

Change of Use from A4 Public House to C3 Residential

Appeal Hearing will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>. July - A councillor will represent the council at the Appeal Hearing of July 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### 18/38 Finance, Accounting and Administration Matters

(a) The Council **RESOLVED** Approval of the cheque schedule and total amount of £1732.11. See attached list on page 82.

(b) The monthly statement of accounts and budget to 31.05.2018 was reviewed – See attached on page 83.

(c) Review of the Financial Regulations – Refer to the September Council Meeting

**ACTION** Clerk to draft the 2018 regs and send to councillors before September.

#### 18/39 Update on Highways Matters

##### Speed Indicator Device

**ACTION** The Clerk was requested to order the SID and installation from Dorset County Council.

A decision will need to be made about moving the SID around the 3 locations after it has been installed.

**ACTION** Refer to September meeting.

Cllr. Smith noted that new speedwatch signs are being obtained and will then be erected.

#### 18/40 Date of the Annual Public Parish Meeting 2019

The Council confirmed the date of Friday 12<sup>th</sup>. April 2019 for the Annual Public Parish Meeting.

**ACTION:** Clerk to book the Community Centre

**18/41 Correspondence and Information**

None

**18/42 Matters of Interest**

- a) Cllr. Sylvia Holdeman – The potholes are marked so the council hope they will be filled in soon.
- b) Cllr. Sylvia Holdeman – The Community Centre Wireless PA system has been returned
- c) Cllr. Mary Giles – Hey Day was a fantastic event last weekend – funds raised will be reported later.
- d) Cllr. Mary Giles – Thank you for those who turned up for the litter pick
- e) Cllr. Mary Giles – Reported on a contact with Manston Parish Council about joining together to fund traffic resolutions
- f) Cllr. Mary Giles – Steam Fair donated 50 tickets for the event – 26 are left and they will be distributed to worthy causes. Also, we were given 2 for 1 vouchers for the steam fair. It was agreed that they will be put out at the shop for distribution.

**ACTION** Clerk to write to thank the Steam Fair tickets but noted that the parish council find it difficult to distribute the 2 for 1 tickets

- g) Cllr. Bob Smith – Contacted Wessex Water online and had a very quick response.
- h) Cllr. Martin Rudd – The Hey Day was a great day and event – Hugh thanks to the Hey Day Committee and all those who helped make it such a great day.

**ACTION** Clerk to write to Chairman of the Hey Day Committee.

**18/43 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

**The Council RESOLVED to exclude the Public and Press**

**Employment Matters – Confidential Minute kept on file.**

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed ..... Dated .....

*Please note that the foregoing does not become minutes until approved by Council and signed to that effect by the Presiding Chairman at the next meeting*