Stour Provost Parish

Minutes of Sour Provost Parish meeting

Held on the 5th of October 2021 at 6.30pm

at Stour Provost Village Hall

Present: Cllr J Watkins – Chairman, Cllr P Patrick, Cllr E Scott and Cllr C Wilkins

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips - Clerk

**1/21. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr A Stagg sent her apologies.

**2/21. Declaration of interest and dispensations**

There were none.

3/21. To agree the Minutes of the meeting dated the 21st of May.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Watkins and seconded by Cllr Patrick, all agreed they are a true and accurate record of the meeting. They were duly signed by the Chairman

RESOLVED: that the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman (3/21)

4/21. Matters arising.

* It was noted that new signs asking residents to pick up after their dogs, in the recreation area have not been ordered. The Clerk will obtain the new signs from Dorset Council’s dog warden and ask for the warden to come to the recreation area now and again to ensure it is being monitored. Action – Clerk
* The Clerk will ask Dorset Waste Partnership to replace the dog waste bin for a larger multipurpose green bin. This is a project that DWP have undertaken and there will be no cost to the village for this service. Can all residents please be reminded that you can take your dog waste home with you and use your land fill bin (black bin), this will help prevent overfilling of the dog waste bins in the village. Action – Clerk
* The ash tree in the recreation area will be monitored for ash die back and action will be taken when necessary.

5/21.Officers report:

* Highway liaison officer – as the Parish does not have an official Highways liaison officer, it was agreed that if there are any highways matter arising, it will be reported to the Parish Council, who will be appointing a liaison officer at their next meeting. Cllr Patrick expressed concerns over the speeding traffic in the village and would like to see some safety measures put in place to try and slow the traffic down. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Dorset Council’s safety officer to visit the village to give advice on safety measures that may help slow the traffic down. Action - Clerk
* Rights of way/trees liaison officer - Mr Martin Hibbert had agreed at the meeting in May to continue the post for both Stour Provost and Stour Row.
* Pavilion and playing field matters – Some of the Councillors and Clerk will visit the pavilion and recreation filed on the 11th of October 2021, to do an inspection. The Clerk has also been asked to ensure all the insurances are in place for the recreation ground and swings. Action - Clerk
* Stour Row church and churchyard – The sale of the Church has not completed to date.
* Representative to Village Hall – Cllr Patrick will represent the Parish Council at Stour Provost village hall committee and Cllr Scott will represent the Parish Council at Stour Row village hall committee.
* Planning – The following applications have been received and decisions sent to the Planning Team at Dorset Council:
* P/FUL/2021/01888 - Lyde Hill Farm Stour Provost - Change of use and conversion of agricultural building – no objection.

6/21. To agree grass cutting schedule for 2022

It was agreed to review the grass cutting schedule for Stour Provost and Stour Row in 2022, as there would not be enough time to advertise the tender before setting the budget for 2022-2023. The Clerk will contact the contactors to ensure that they hold the relevant business insurance. Action - Clerk

7/21. Finance

To agree precept for 2022/2023 – the Clerk had circulated a detailed proposal for setting the precept for 2022/2023, for the sum of £4600.00, an increase of £600.00. This is due to future projects and maintance for the village. The increase will = £2.15 a year based on a band D household. This was agreed and will be proposed at the Parish Council meeting in November for resolution.

8/21. Agenda items to be agreed for the next Parish meeting on Monday the 4th of April 2022 at 6.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.18

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