

Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting held at Osborne Village Hall on Thursday 2nd November 2017 at 7.30 pm.

The following were present: Councillors Mason, Buckland, Hunt, Kellaway, Perryman, and Simnett, the Clerk, DCC Cllr Penfold and WDDC Cllr Gould, 3 members of the public

- 17.54 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Dimond
- 17.55 There were no declarations of interest
- 17.56 **The minutes of the meeting held on 7th of September 2017** were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.
- 17.57 **Matters arising:** The Council agreed to write and congratulate Neville and Suzanne Loder of Osborne who have been named Dairy Farmers of the Year.
- 17.58 **Adjournment session**
Mike Firth presented a study he has conducted on the unreliability of the power supply to Poyntington which has experienced 11 interruptions in the last 2 years. The Council decided to write to SSE to ask about the situation including the supply at Goathill, which has also experienced problems.
- 17.59.1 **The financial report for the year 2017-18** to date was received and accepted.
Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary: £260.30; HMRC (PAYE): £65.20; Hire of Osborne Village Hall £15.00, M. Carvell £65.00, Osborne PCC £550, Poyntington PCC £550, Goathill PCC £300
- 17.59.2 The Council discussed a draft budget for 2018-19 and decided to make a final decision on the budget and precept at the January meeting.
- 17.60 **Planning Matters**
- Planning matters dealt with since the last meeting or at this meeting:***
- 17.60.1 **1 Washingpool, Poyntington** WD/D/17/002169 Erect single storey extension, No objection.
- 17.60 2 **Sewage Works, Castleton** WD/D/17/002121 Erect motor control centre kiosk; No objection,
- 17.60 3 **Mill Close Farm, Osborne** WD/D/17/002039 Demolish Gazebo, erect study/studio, alter driveway and excavate to create rear terrace; No objection – request that studio building should not overhang VH land.
- Applications determined by WDDC or awaiting decision.***
- 17.60 4 **Blackmarsh Farm, Dodds Cross**, WD/D/17/001722/24 Erection of agricultural building for housing livestock, concrete yard, hardstanding and manure bunker. No objection, Approved 25.09.17
- 17.60.5 **West Down Farm, Corton Denham, (Poyntington)** WD/D/17/001295 Change of use from office to dwelling; No objection
- 17.60.6 **Townsend Farm, Poyntington** WD/D/16/002117 Change of use to dwelling house. Prior approval application, No objection, Refused 12.09.17
- 17.61 **Meetings attended:** None
- 17.62 **Underdown Lane, Osborne** The dig to lay pipes under the lane for badgers has been carried out. 2 pipes have been installed and old holes filled in. Cllr Hunt will survey the work.
- 17.63 **Rights of Way** The Council approved responses made to DCC concerning the definitive plan modification and consultation at Wyke Farm. The Council was pleased to note that the new footpath gate at Sherborne Castle has been installed and has written to thank The Ramblers for funding this.
- 17.64 **Review of the Council's Financial Regulations** The Council will review the latest

model regulations from NALC with amendments by the Clerk, for decision at the next meeting.

17.65 **Update on problems with agricultural vehicles in Goathill** In response to the Council's letter, Mr Tizzard has written to say that the problems would be addressed. Cllr Buckland confirmed that the situation has improved. The Clerk will pass this on to the residents who had previously contacted the Council, and write to thank Mr Tizzard.

17.66 **Request for increased churchyard maintenance donations** The Council agreed that it will increase the contribution it makes to Osborne churchyard maintenance, the exact figure to be decided in January.

17.67 **Poyntington power and phone/internet supply** Power supply – see above. The Council decided to write to DCC concerning the erratic broadband connection in parts of Poyntington.

17.68 **Internet Security for Parish Council laptop** The Council agreed to buy this to comply with the incoming financial regulations

17.69 **Correspondence:**

The Council had received pictures of the fingerpost in Castleton renovated by Bradford Abbas PC with a donation from YHPC.

The Council has been made aware of a potential enquiry re provision of a bench on Quarr Lane footpath: The Council position is unchanged from last year: This would not represent sufficiently good value from public money to merit expenditure. This will be imparted by the Clerk in answer to any enquires received on the subject.

17.70 **Items for the next Agenda:** None

17.71 **Dates of future meetings:**

4 January Poyntington

1 March Osborne

3 May Osborne (AGM)

5 July Poyntington

6 September Osborne

1 November Poyntington