

Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting held at Poyntington Village Hall on Thursday 5th July 2018 at 7.30 pm.

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

Public Participation Session

Mr Mike Firth gave the meeting a short history of the power supply problems in Poyntington and the response from SSE. The village has been experiencing occasional power interruptions for the last 3 years, on average 6 per year, most of which are momentary. This has been particularly troublesome for the owners of smart televisions, which have sometimes been caused to switch on whilst their owners were away. Fortunately SSE has identified that cows rubbing on the stays of a telegraph pole, on a farm on the Marston Road, were the cause of the most recent and probably many of the other interruptions. A guard has now been installed to prevent this happening again and a cross arm will also be inserted between the wires. As a result of this, Mr Firth has withdrawn his complaint to SSE. Mrs Gill Cooke of Poyntington asked the Council if there is any way that residents could be asked to move their cars before the verges are cut on the main village road. Cllr Penfold said she would enquire.

18.21 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Dimond,

18.22 There were no **declarations of interest in items on the agenda.**

18.23 **The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd of May 2018** were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

18.24 **Matters arising:** None

18.25 **Adjournment session**

Cllrs Gould and Penfold told the meeting that a Shadow Council has been formed in preparation for the local government reorganisation in Dorset next April. There are 20 members on an executive committee. A Boundary Review consultation will happen soon. Sherborne Rural is one of the wards affected and it is hoped that the changes will lead to a more efficient, streamlined system. The Local Plan Review consultation is due to start in August. The preferred options for development can be seen on the DCC website. Cllr Mason thanked Cllr Penfold for getting some of the potholes in Washingpool filled. She agreed to ask Highways about those that have not been done.

18.26 **The financial report for the year 2018-19** to date was received and accepted. Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary: £260.30; HMRC (PAYE): £65.20; Hire of Poyntington Village Hall £15.00, DAPTC £163.17, MP Computers £102.

18.27 **Planning Matters**

Planning matters dealt with since the last meeting or at this meeting:

18.27.1 **Mill Close Farm, Osborne** WD/D/18/000908 Erection of single storey side extension. No objection, Approved 22.06.18

18.27.2 **Sherborne Golf Club, Sherborne (Castleton)** WD/D/18/000804 Display of free standing sign, No objection. Approved 29.06.18

Applications determined by WDDC or awaiting decision.

18.27.3 **Lynwood, Castleton** WD/D/18/000616 Erection of annex and garage, No objection, Approved 21.05.18

18.27.4 **Land North of Pound Road, Thornford, Castleton adjoining application** WD/D/18/000116 Outline application for development of 35 dwellings; No comment.

18.28 **Meetings attended:** Cllr Mason told the Council about a DAPTC Chairman's training course he had attended

18.29 **Poyntington electricity supply:** The Council decided to write to SSE to back the

proposed measures to safeguard the uninterrupted supply and also, at a resident's request, to ask if home owners should unplug devices such as smart televisions before going on holiday.

18.30 **Rubbish on Land at Washingpool** This has been reported to the Environment Agency. It is not illegal to store rubbish on a field, but there are concerns regarding the proximity of the River Yeo. Any attempt to set fire to the rubbish should be reported to the EA immediately.

18.31 **Data protection documents** The Council approved a privacy policy and data protection policy.

18.32 **Correspondence:** Letter from Susan Greene to thank the Council for its support regarding the new bench on Quarr Lane. Local Plan Review consultation advance notification.

18.33 **Items for the next Agenda:** Poyntington notice board

18.34 **Dates of future meetings:**

6 September Osborne

1 November Poyntington

3 January Osborne

7 March Poyntington)