

**DEWLISH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021**  
**COMMENCING 7.30PM**  
**THIS MEETING WAS HELD BY VIDEO CONFERENCING**

**Present:** Cllrs S Crabb, C Uden, S Clitherow, A Fisher

**Chair:** Cllr B Hyams

**Clerk:** Mrs A Crocker

**Also Present:** Dorset Councillor Jill Haynes

**Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

**1. Apologies for absence**

20.52 Apologies have been received from the Cllrs Frank Ross and Barbara Ross.

**2. Declaration of pecuniary and other interests**

20.53 No interests were declared.

**3. Minutes of previous meeting dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

20.54 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Crabb proposed them to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Uden and agreed unanimously. The minutes will be signed by the Chairman as soon as practicably possible.

**4. Matters Arising from previous minutes – for report only**

20.55 Dewlish Mosaic – Cllr Hyams reported he had sent an email to the Department of Digital Culture Media and Sport and received a response saying Dorset County Museum is trying to raise funds to bring the mosaic into their possession.

**5. Chairman's report**

20.56 Very little happening since the start of the lockdown. A Christmas tree has been found and will be erected at the crossroads on 6<sup>th</sup> December. Cllr Crabb will organise flowers as in previous years.

The Mill House – Cllr Hyams will check the amended plans for the alterations.

**ACTION: CLLR HYAMS**

**6. To receive the Dorset Councillor's report**

20.57 Cllr Haynes has been issuing regular reports via email, all of which have been passed to members as they arrive. It was noted that the fire at Crookhill depot resulted in 21 vehicles being damaged. It looks as though, following the recent storms, water got into the electrics and this is what started the fire. Full service had been resumed by the following the weekend. This was achieved by the use of the spare vehicles held at the other depots. If

there is a missed bin, it will have to be collected on the next regular service as there is currently no spare capacity. The Council has now gone out to tender for replacement vehicles and this should be sorted before Christmas.

As part of the on-going spending review, there may be a 2% increase in council tax and a 3% increase in adult social care.

20:00 Cllr Haynes left the meeting.

## **7. To receive reports on the following matters and to agree actions**

20.58 **Planning** – WD/D/20/00187 The Tasting Room, Crawthorne Farm – use of land for tourist accommodation for temporary period.

Those present raised no objections.

20.59 **Highways** – Cllr Crabb has reported the ruts to Highways.

20.60 **Footpaths** – Nothing to report.

20.61 **Village Hall** – Nothing to report. This will be removed from future agendas.

## **8. To receive a finance report including payments for authorisation**

20.62 The following payments were requested:

HMRC	PAYE – October & November	488	45.40
C Haskett	Grass cutting July & November 20	489	100.00
A Crocker	December + January wages	486	186.78

Total requested from the Precept is £332.18.

Cllr Clitherow proposed the payments are made. This was seconded by Cllr Crabb and agreed unanimously.

A copy of the reconciliation of accounts and position against budget was given to all members prior to the start of the meeting. No comments were made.

## **9. To consider the refurbishment of the Pound Lane grass area**

20.63 Cllr Crabb proposed that a working party, headed by Cllr Uden, is set up to move the project forward. This was seconded by Cllr Fisher. Cllrs Hyams and Clitherow will assist with the group and a number of residents have put their names forward to assist.

The first step will be to have a flood risk assessment undertaken.

It was noted that Dorset Council have Community Improvement Grants available which might be useful for this project.

## **10. To review the Risk Assessment**

20.64 A copy of the Risk Assessment had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Fisher proposed the document is accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Crabb and agreed unanimously.

**11. Agenda items for the next meeting**

20.65 - Pound Lane refurbishment

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

20.66 The date of the next meeting is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:53pm.