Minutes of High Stoy Parish Council Meeting Held 18th August 2020 via Zoom 7:00 pm

**Present:** Councilors Dave Whiteoak (Chairman),George Grazebrook,Eveline Jones, Kevin Pescott, Peter Rowland, Dawn Griffin, District Councillor Mary Penfold, Amy Sellick, (Clerk), members of the public including RoWLO - John Damon and Wendy Hounsell.

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| Item Number | Item | Actioned By |
| 1 | Apologies: None |  |
| 2 | Minutes from meeting held on 27th May 2020 were confirmed and signed by Chairman. | Chairman to drop round to Clerk for her to post on website |
| 3 | Matters arising from the meeting held 27th May 2020:  3.1 Clerk confirmed that Dorset Council could find no particular planning application for Industrial Centre in Hermitage. Susan McClue queried if there is any particular business that is opening beyond what is expected? Councillor Pescott reported that local people are concerned about the site hours of work (beyond 5 pm on week days and 12 pm on Saturday), and noise level. The Industrial Centre was set up in 1990 as Class B1 for light industrial processes (engineering work excluding motor cars).  3.2 RoWLO, John Damon, updated on Reclaiming of Hermitage Footpath and footpath around the church.   * Reclaim Hermitage Footpath: nothing to update due to due to continued Virus Lockdown. * Footpath Hermitage Green: forms are completed and with Chairman Whiteoak. | Clerk to follow up with Dorset Council to establish which hours of work and days/week permission has been granted.  Chairman to drop completed forms to Clerk for her to forward to Dorset Council. |
| 4 | High Ways Matters: None to report |  |
| 5 | Footpath Matters: RoWLO John Damon gave an update.  5.1 Bridleway N14/9 Hermitage Village Hall to Holnest. All problems resolved.  5.2 Bridleway S31/23 Hurdley Moor Farm to Lyons Gate Caravan Park (Minterne Magna Parish). Bridge partly repaired and fallen trees cleared in Gore Wood. Problems resolved.  5.3 Stile past Remedy House, repaired.  5.4 Bridleway N14/4 Hermitage to Lyons Gate. Broken slats on Bridge near Church Farm broken yet again. RoWLO emailed David Ackerley on 2nd July 2020: "*Thank you very much to you and your team in repairing the damaged bridge at Church Farm so quickly on bridleway N14/4 Hermitage to Lyons Gate. We note that in addition to the broken slat, you have replaced a total of 6 slats and there is evidence that more will need replacement before too long. It may be that the whole deck should be renewed in the near future. Thanks again for your help*’’. Since bridge breaks at regular intervals it was discussed whether more extensive work may be required to rectify the issue.  5.5 Bridleways N15/10 and N16/10. Three Gates Farm Hilfield to Higher Holnest via Leigh Parish. Dismantled Bridge on Leigh side of Leigh/Hilfied parish boundary. Dorset Council. Warning signs removed but bridge not repaired. | RoWLO to find out how often bridge has been damaged and repaired before.  Clerk to follow up with Leigh Parish Clerk. |
| 6 | Planning Applications:  6.1 **WD/D/19/002710**- Change of use of land and erection of luxury holiday lodges at The George Albert Hotel (PC: Object DC: No Decision).  6.2 **WD/D/20/000895** Blackberry Farm, Hartley St, Hermitage**;** Erect triple garage and log store (PC: Supported, DC: Approved)  6.3 **WD/D/20/001015** Redford Farm, Melbury Bubb; Essential structural work to silage clamp. (PC: Supported, DC: Approved)  6.4 **WD/D/20/001084** New Inn, Batcombe; Erect two storey side extension, balcony and installation of solar panels (DC: Approved)  6.5 **WD/D/20/001361** – Williford Farm, Hermitage; Residential dwelling without conditions imposed by outline planning. Concern about this application was raised. Application for the agricultural tie to be lifted was refused in 1999. The reasons stated are still relevant today. The ground for the application are that the building in question was not built in the correct place and therefore conditions of permission don’t apply and agricultural tie can be lifted. Councillor Pescott mentioned that there are young people in the village who are connected to agriculture to whom the tie would be an advantage when they look to buy a property in the village. Clerk reported that the deadline for comment on this application has now past (20th July).  6.6 **WD/D/20/001497**- Park House, Batcombe. Erection of first floor extension over existing single storey utility room to create additional bedroom & en-suite. (PC: Supported, DC Approved) | Chairman Whiteoak to contact case planning officer at Dorset Council to find out if we can still comment in this application. If so, Chairman to put comments together for Clerk to post on website. |
| 7 | Correspondence:  7.1 Parish Clerk drew attention to Government ‘Planning for the Future’ White Paper, detailing proposed shake up to the planning system, emailed to Councillors. Clerk summarised the key aspects of the White Paper. It was queried whether planning refers to local or parish level and how many houses are planning for Dorset.Deadline for comment is 11.45pm on 29th October. It was decided to hold an interim meeting to discuss further ahead of deadline. | Clerk to clarify with Dorset Council planning office and report back. |
| 8 | Financial Matters:   * 1. Account balance as of 18th July 2020: £5474.77   2. Items for approval:   Parish Clerk Pay (and HMRC).  8.3 No Retrospective items for payment. |  |
| 9 | Any other business:  9.1 PCSO Alex Bishop reported that, there have been three recent thefts of quad bikes on the Beaminster patch (in the Burton Bradstock area) in recent weeks. We’re advised, especially those with quad bikes to review security and contact police if you would like any security advice.  We’re also advised to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to us on 101, or via [www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk).  If anyone believes a crime is in progress, call 999. |  |
| 10 | Interim meeting to discuss ‘Planning for the Future’ White Paper, scheduled for 20th October, 7.00 pm.  The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 24th November, 7.00 pm. |  |
|  | Meeting closed at 8.20 pm |  |

These minutes are to be signed by the Chairman, following approval, at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

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