

Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage  
Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on  
**MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2011** at 6.30 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor W.S. Trite (Town Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor B. Audley  
Councillor C.R. Bright  
Councillor L. Gloyn-Cox  
Councillor M. Hadley  
Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh  
Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick  
Councillor S. Poultney  
Councillor M.W. Pratt  
Councillor M. Whitwam  
Councillor A. Wiggins

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, 21 members of the public attended the Meeting.

**Presentation – Dorset Fire and Rescue (Swanage Station)**

The Town Mayor welcomed Mr. Phil Burridge, Station Commander of Swanage Station, and invited him to give a presentation on the services provided by Dorset Fire and Rescue.

In making his Presentation, Mr. Burridge stated that the main concern and priority of the Dorset Fire and Rescue Service was for the safety of local residents. He then explained the work and services provided by the Fire and Rescue Service, the level of training given to the retained firefighters, and the high specification of the equipment and fire appliances held at the Swanage Station.

Questions and comments were then invited from the audience. In the absence of any questions from members of the public, the Town Mayor expressed his appreciation of the vital service provided so efficiently by Mr. Burridge and the local firefighters, and thanked him for his informative Presentation.

The Town Mayor then welcomed Mr. Brian Barker, President of the Swanage & District Chamber of Trade and Commerce, and Flt. Lt. Mary Brennan and cadets from the 2185 (Swanage) Detached Flight Air Training Corps.

At the invitation of the Mayor, Mr. Barker, on behalf of the Chamber of Trade, presented a cheque in the sum of £500 to the Mayor for Heroes Haven, and a cheque for £100 to Flt. Lt. Brennan in support of the Air Training Corps. He then presented the Mayor and Mayoress with a photograph in appreciation of the support given by them to the Chamber of Trade.

The Mayor opened the meeting for Public Participation.

## Public Participation Time

**MR. D. HOLMAN** enquired whether, as a result of the budget constraints on local authorities and the reduction in grants from central government, it would be necessary for the Town Council to undertake additional services previously provided by the County and District Councils.

**MR. I. SAUNDERS** referred to a private beach hut that was still in position on the beach, and enquired whether this was in breach of the tenancy agreement.

In the absence of a clergyman, Councillor Bright offered a short prayer before the commencement of the Meeting.

The Town Mayor then opened the Council Meeting at 7.15 p.m.

149. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies to report for inability to attend the Meeting.

150. **MINUTES**

(a) Proposed by Councillor Hadley, seconded by Councillor Pratt, and  
RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

(b) Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Hadley, and  
RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held to discuss policy and planning matters on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

(c) Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Patrick, seconded by Councillor Poultney, and  
RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held to discuss Estimates and Seasonal Charges on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

In approving the Minutes, the Town Mayor re-iterated the Council's appreciation of the sterling work undertaken by the Town Clerk, Finance Officer and other members of staff in preparing the detailed and comprehensive documents.

151. **TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**

Proposed by Councillor Poultney, seconded by Councillor Bright, and  
RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed.

There were no recommendations from the Committee for adoption by the Council.

152. **PLANS**

Councillor Mrs. Marsh did not vote on, or propose, or second any of the motions on the following planning applications, by reason of being a Member of the Purbeck District Council's Planning Board.

**Non Delegated Applications**

6/2011/0027 **Mr J Wright**

Demolish existing dwelling and erect a block of seven 2 bedroom flats; form new vehicular access from service lane and layout car parking. 10A Gilbert Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.

**Delegated Applications**

6/2011/0022 **Mrs E Peze**

Replacement of three windows from wood to uPVC. Harberton, 7 Rempstone Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2011/0029 **Ms S Peirce**

Demolish existing garage and erect two dwellings. 4 Hill Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection, subject to there being no overlooking of neighbouring properties.

6/2011/0032 **Mr R Wood**

Erect two storey side extension. 119 Kings Road West, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2011/0036 **Mr & Mrs M Pritchard**

Variation of condition 4 of PP 6/2010/0628 (All windows and doors shall be constructed of timber) to allow plastic sash windows. 42 Queens Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection, subject to no objections being raised by the Conservation Officer.

The following two applications were not discussed by the Town Council as it was considered that a conflict of interest existed, given that the Council had retained the freehold of the Holiday Park.

6/2011/0041 **Mr B Collinson**

Erect timber decking with access steps. Plot 297, Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Swanage.

6/2011/0043 **Mr R Swan**

Erect timber decking with access steps. Plot 189, Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Swanage.

6/2011/0050 **Mrs J Newton**

Demolish rear annex and garage. Erect single storey rear extension with balcony over. Side extension and front porch. Insert roof lights to facilitate loft conversion. Create elevated patio. Erect new boundary fence, stone walling and gates. Reposition and level vehicular access and create new pedestrian access. Use spoil from excavations to level garden.

2 Ballard Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** Defer, to enable further information to be obtained. In deferring the application, Members wished to point out that they considered the plans to be of poor quality and difficult to read.

Before consideration of this item, Councillor Pratt declared his personal interest under the Model Code of Conduct. As his interest was non-prejudicial, he remained in the Meeting during the debate.

6/2011/0056 **Mr I Taylor**

Erect single storey rear, side and front extensions and front porch. Extend roof, create dormer windows (with Juliette balcony on north elevation) and insert roof lights to form rooms in roof.

1 Ballard Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** Defer for consideration at meeting to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2011.

### **Application For Information Only**

6/2011/0033 **Dr C Haw**

Proposed Non Material Amendment to PP 6/2010/0503 (Alterations to dwelling). Request to change window frames from stained timber to grey powder aluminium.

Southerd Farmhouse, Townsend Road, Swanage.

### 153. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor reported that, in his absence, the Deputy Mayor had attended the funeral of former Councillor and Town Mayor, Jim Lever.

There had been no civic engagements during the past month.

### 154. **DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH**

A letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011 was submitted from the National Trust seeking the Council's support for the proposed diversion to the bridleway on the top of the ridge at Ballard Down and to sections of 2 footpaths in order to preserve the burial mounds in this vicinity.

Following a brief discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Gloyn-Cox, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Marsh, and **RESOLVED:-**

That the matter be deferred to enable further information regarding the existing paths and proposed diversion to be obtained.

### 155. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

Councillor Mrs. Patrick reported that no budget cuts were being recommended by Dorset County Council for the provision of the Youth Centre service in Swanage in 2011/12.

156. **REPORTING OF DELEGATED MATTERS**

There were no delegated matters to report at the present time.

157. **ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING AGENDAS**

- (a) Jurassic Coast Public Event – Mowlem Community Room – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2011.
- (b) Provision of Care in Swanage – Town Hall – 25<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

158. **LEGAL ISSUES**

There were no matters to report on legal issues at the present time.

The meeting concluded at 7.42 pm.

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