Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on **MONDAY**, **11th JUNE 2012** at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor W.S. Trite – Chairman

Councillor Mrs. C. Bartlett
Councillor M. Bonfield
Councillor I. Brown
Councillor Miss C. Harris
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, 7 members of the public attended the Meeting.

The Mayor welcomed Canon John Wood, who offered a short prayer before the commencement of the Meeting.

Public Participation Time

REVD. PRATT referred to previous representations made to the Council requesting that three additional spaces currently used by taxi operators be allocated for use by disabled motorists when visiting the Health Centre. He submitted proposals for addressing the problems that arose in this location, and requested that the matter be again referred for consideration at the next meeting of the Council's Transport Committee.

MR. JAMES wished to congratulate those responsible for organising the Street Party and other associated events held to celebrate Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee.

Councillor Trite opened the Council Meeting at 7.10 p.m.

18. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies received from Members for inability to attend the Meeting.

19. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare their interest as per the Parish Councils Model Code of Conduct Order 2007 Number 1159.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Councillor Brown declared a personal and prejudicial interest under the Model Code of Conduct in Planning Application No. 6/2012/0319 by reason of a family connection with the applicant.

20. MINUTES

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

That the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 14th May 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed.

(b) Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Bonfield, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held to discuss policy and planning matters on 28th May 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed.

21. TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Proposed by Councillor Whitwam, seconded by Councillor Poultney, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Transport Committee held on 23rd May 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed.

Consideration was given to the following recommendation contained in the Minutes:-

Footpaths – Proposed Re-routing of Footpath 46 at Swanage Bay View Holiday Park and Consideration of Contribution to Costs of Scheme

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

That Swanage Town Council make a one-off contribution of between £750 and £1,000 towards re-routing Footpath 46 through Swanage Bay View Holiday Park.

22. PLANS

Under the Model Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest in the capacity of Corporate Trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust in applications relating to the Trust.

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.

Delegated Applications

Further to his declaration of interest under Minute No.19, Councillor Brown left the Meeting prior to consideration of the following item.

6/2012/0319 Mr Harrison

Erect three flats with associated parking; form new vehicular access. Plot adj. 6 Durlston Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Recommend refusal on the grounds that the proposals are out of character and represent overdevelopment of the site.

6/2012/0325 Mrs K Elysee

Install dormer and replacement rooflights on north elevation.

4 Carrants Court, Swanage. **Observation:** No objection.

Items for Information Only

The following application was 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.

6/2012/0350 Mr D Allingham

Erect timber decking with two sets of access steps. Plot 90C, Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Panorama Road, Swanage.

6/2012/0344 Mr Hector

Erect single storey rear extension incorporating a balcony and a two storey side extension to form an annexe.

6 Gannetts Park, Swanage.

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

6/2012/0346 Mr & Mrs R Carter

Variation of condition 2 of PP 6/2012/0099 (Erect two storey extension with balcony, install dormer windows and erect porch. Erect detached garage.) to reduce height of flat roof single storey extension, change details of windows, glazing to porch, flue to front elevation and install 3 rooflights to front slope.

12 Gannetts Park, Swanage.

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

6/2012/0348 Juno Developments (UK) Ltd.

Demolition of upper floors to facilitate redevelopment of property to form thirteen residential units.

28-38 Station Road, Swanage.

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

23. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor was pleased to report on the following matters:-

- (a) He had attended the Diamond Jubilee Street Party and celebrations in the town on 4th June, and wished to thank all those involved in making the day such a success.
- (b) At the invitation of the Burgomeister of Rudesheim and the Town Twinning Association, he had visited our twin town for a few days in late May.
- (c) He had represented Swanage at the Annual Meeting of Purbeck Town and Parish Councils.
- (d) The Mayor reported that he had attended the following civic events during the past month:-
 - Opening of the Swanage Railway's new signal box at Corfe Castle by Theresa Villiers, Minister of State for Transport.

- The dedication of a Purbeck stone Diamond Jubilee Bench at the Purbeck House Hotel, kindly commissioned by the Chamber of Trade, and attended by the Lord Lieutenant of Dorset.
- A service in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at St. Mary's Parish Church on 3rd June.

During the Mayor's absence in Rudesheim, the Deputy Mayor had attended the following events:-

- The President of the Rotary Club's Annual Dinner.
- A Spring Reception hosted by the High Sheriff of Dorset at Bovington Tank Museum.
- 'Beating to Quarters' at Bovington Army Camp.
- (e) Finally, the Mayor reminded those present that the Civic Service would be held on Sunday, 24th June 2012 in St. Mary's Parish Church at 3 p.m.

24. <u>DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACES ORDER (DPPO) FOR THE PURPOSES OF ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN SWANAGE</u>

A letter dated 24th May 2012 was submitted from Purbeck District Council seeking the Town Council's views on the effectiveness of the zone covered by the Designated Public Places Order (DPPO) for the purposes of alcohol consumption in Swanage.

It was proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by the Town Mayor, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

To confirm the effectiveness of the zone currently covered by the Designated Public Places Order (DPPO) for the purposes of alcohol consumption in Swanage.

25. SWANAGE LOCAL PLAN

A Report dated June 2012 was submitted for information, updating Members on matters relating to the proposed Swanage Local Plan.

It was proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Whitwam, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

To note the contents of the Report and endorse the proposed way forward in compiling a Swanage Local Plan.

It was FURTHER RESOLVED:-

To request the District Council to undertake a housing needs survey at the earliest possible opportunity.

26. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

(a) Councillor Whitwam reported that he had attended a meeting of 'Pub Watch' on 16th May 2012.

27. REPORTING OF DELEGATED MATTERS

Reference was made to the forthcoming visit of American G.I's on 30th June, and a subsequent request received from the Swanage Hospitality Association for a financial contribution towards the cost of hosting the visit.

It was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Brown, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That delegated authority be given to the Mayor,

28. <u>ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING</u> AGENDAS

Items of Information

- (a) Official Opening of the Beach Wardens' Hut on 18th June 2012 at 3.30 p.m.
- (b) Orient Express steam train would be visiting Swanage on 15th June 2012.
- (c) Licence application in respect of The Cabin, Burlington Chine had been withdrawn.
- (d) Members were invited to meet with representatives from Arlingclose, the Council's Treasury Management Advisers, at 11 a.m. on 12th June 2012.
- (e) Proposed consultation under Section 42 Planning Act 2008 on the proposed Navitus Bay Wind Park would commence on 18th June 2012.

29. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Patrick, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That, under Standing Orders Nos. 67 and 68, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following matters.

30. **LEGAL ISSUES**

(a) Lower Grammar School Field

The meeting concluded at 7.45 p.m.

A letter dated 23rd May 2012 was submitted from Mr. G. Thorne, the Council's valuer, detailing the proposed rental value of the Lower Grammar School Field for the purposes of negotiation with Dorset County Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, and RESOLVED:-

To accept the recommendation of the Council's valuer, and to authorise him to proceed in the matter.

Consideration was then given to the rental agreement with Joseph Allnatt Centres Limited for the use of the Grammar School Field for the period 1st April 2010 to the end of March 2013.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Marsh, and RESOLVED:-

To accept the recommendation of the Council's valuer, and to authorise him to proceed in the matter.