

Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage  
Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on  
**MONDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013** at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick (Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor Mrs. C. Bartlett  
Councillor M. Bonfield  
Councillor I. Brown  
Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh  
Councillor S. Poultney  
Councillor M.W. Pratt  
Councillor G.M. Suttle  
Councillor W.S. Trite  
Councillor M. Whitwam  
Councillor A. Wiggins

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, 19 members of the public attended the Meeting.

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

The Mayor welcomed Flt Lt Mary Brennan and representatives from 2185 Squadron Air Training Corps. The Squadron had been invited to nominate a cadet to the position of Mayor's Cadet, and she was pleased to officially appoint Ashley Baldwin to this role for the ensuing year.

**Public Participation Time**

The following matters were raised during Public Participation Time:-

- Education Swanage – Thanks to the Town Council for its support of the Swanage School.
- Request for recycling facilities at Swanage Bay View Holiday Park.
- Concerns raised regarding movement of heavy lorries/plant along Panorama Road if permission is granted for the construction of a well site at California Quarry. Also possible light pollution and the visual impact of a well site adjacent to a World Heritage Site.
- Request for the Town Council's support towards development of an Arts Centre at Dunshay Manor, Worth Matravers.
- Concerns raised regarding the possible withdrawal of the late night route 40 bus service from Poole to Swanage.

The Town Mayor opened the Council Meeting at 7.20 p.m.

54. **APOLOGIES**

An apology for her inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Miss Harris.

55. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare their interest under the Code of Conduct as defined by regulations made under section 30 (3) of the Localism Act 2011.

**Agenda Item No. 7 (b)** – Councillor Suttle declared a pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct.

56. **MINUTES**

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

That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed.

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

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held to discuss policy and planning matters on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed.

57. **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.

**Delegated Applications**

6/2013/0462 **Dr C Guy**

LISTED Install chimney liner.  
197 High Street, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2013/0465 **Mr M Keeshan**

Erect first floor rear extension and dormer window.  
Castleton Hotel, 1 Highcliffe Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2013/0466 **Mr & Mrs Fletcher**

Erect first floor rear extension with juliette balcony.  
30 Hill View Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2013/0467 **AMB Developments Ltd.**

Minor material amendment of PP 6/2012/0639 (Erect two dwellings; form vehicular access) to provide three additional windows to sanitary accomodation.

Land adjacent 14 Townsend Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

58. **WELL SITE AT CALIFORNIA QUARRY**

Consideration was given to matters relating to an application for temporary planning permission for the construction of a well site at California Quarry from Infrastrata Plc.

During the ensuing discussion, concerns were expressed at the increased movement of heavy lorries and plant along Panorama Road to/from California Quarry

It was noted that the Town Council would not make any representations on the planning application as owner of the access road, but that it could raise concerns about traffic management directly to Infrastrata Plc.

It was proposed by Councillor Suttle, seconded by Councillor Trite, and  
**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That the matter be deferred for consideration at  
the Council Meeting to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> October  
2013 to enable further information to be obtained.

59. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor reported that she had attended the following events during the past month:-

- Swanage & Purbeck Rotary Club's Annual Fete on Sandpit Field.
- Mayor of Wareham's Civic Walkabout.
- British Sub-Aqua Club's Historical Diving Event at Swanage Pier.

Finally, the Mayor was delighted to report that, following his fundraising walk along the coast, Richard Drax MP had made a generous donation to her Charity Fund.

60. **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

(a) **Air Training Corps**

In recognition of the good work and services provided for the benefit of the community by the 2185 Squadron Air Training Corps, Members had expressed a wish to make a donation to that organisation under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

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

That the sum of £400 be donated to the 2185 Squadron  
Air Training Corps.

Further to his declaration of interest under Minute No. 2, Councillor Suttle left the meeting during consideration of the following item.

(b) **Dunshay Manor, Worth Matravers**

Detailed consideration was given to a request received for a donation towards the costs of developing an Arts Centre at Dunshay Manor, Worth Matravers. Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Marsh and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett:-

That, having regard to the lack of a detailed business plan  
and the fact that the property is not within the parish boundary,  
no donation be made towards this project.

Upon being put to the Meeting, EIGHT Members voted IN FAVOUR of the Proposition and TWO ABSTENTIONS, whereupon the Proposition was declared CARRIED.

61. **CONSULTATION ON REDUCTION OF FUNDING BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICES**

Further to Minute No. 50 of the Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2013, consideration was given to the response to be submitted to Dorset County Council regarding the proposed cuts to subsidised bus services throughout the county as a result of the reduction in government funding.

During the ensuing discussion, Members acknowledged that the services that were not well used should be reduced/withdrawn, but felt very strongly that the 40 route evening buses between Swanage and Poole should be retained as these were an important late night link with the Poole/Bournemouth conurbation.

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Town Council strongly objects to any reduction in the 40 route evening bus service between Swanage and Poole.

62. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

There were no reports from representatives on outside organisations at the present time.

63. **REPORTING OF DELEGATED MATTERS**

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

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

**Items of Information**

- (a) New Swanage School opening on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Congratulations to Education Swanage and everyone involved in the school project.
- (b) Policy and Planning meeting scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> September 2013 re-arranged for 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2013.
- (c) Letter of thanks from RNLI re Lifeboat Week.

**Matters for Forthcoming Agendas**

- (a) Advertising Boards on Public Highways – DCC Guidelines.
- (b) Transport for older pupils at Purbeck School.
- (c) Navitus Bay Wind Farm – Further consultation.

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Poultney, 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 matter.

65. **CAPITAL PROGRAMME**  
**Broad Road Stabilisation Scheme**

Further to Minute No. 13 of the Council Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2013 and the submission of a revised estimate for the Broad Road Stabilisation Scheme dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 2013, it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Suttle, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That approval be given to proceed to tender, and that the required expenditure of up to £9,000 be approved.

The meeting concluded at 7.55 p.m.

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