

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Full Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held in the Russell Room, Village Hall, Braeside Road,
on Wednesday 30th August 2023 at 7pm

Present: Cllr B Goringe, Chair

Cllr A Davies

Cllr JB Parker

Cllr K Gawler

Cllr C Johnson

Cllr R Bryan

Cllr M Goringe

Cllr N Reeder

Cllr S Marshall

Cllr M Dyer

Cllr N Hindmarch

In attendance: Mr. Jonathan Ross, Parish Clerk

Public Open Forum. Several members of the public attended. Two addressed the meeting with their concerns about people parking in Burton Close to visit the railway and MVCP. This is resulting in some residents not being able to access/egress their driveways. Not only is this an inconvenience but there are real safety concerns as fire or ambulance services could be hindered. A TRO was requested which would deter parking in the close.

97. Pecuniary Interests: No pecuniary interests were declared.

98. Apologies: Apologies were received from: Cllr B Waugh and Cllr JW Parker. Members voted to accept apologies from the councillors listed. Proposed by Cllr A Davies, seconded by Cllr C Johnson. Agreed.

RESOLVED: That the apologies from the Councillors listed were accepted.

99. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 26th July 2023. The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr M Goringe. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 26th July 2023 were adopted.

100. Matters arising from the minutes. None

101. Correspondence.

101.1. The minutes of the Village Hall Management Committee dated Thursday 22nd June 2023 were noted.

101.2. The Citizens Advice August 2023 Stakeholder Quarterly Update was noted. The Clerk was requested to contact the Citizens Advice and request that the 'Advice Bus' visit the St Leonards and St Ives area.

101.3. The request for a TRO in Burton Close was discussed. Members supported the request but asked the Clerk to first discuss it with Dorset Council highways. If they are in support, to then conduct a consultation with all residents in the close. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr JB Parker. Agreed. Cllr R Bryan abstained.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to discuss the TRO with Dorset Council highways and if supported to then carry out a consultation with all residents in Burton Close.

101.4. Members discussed the Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan and agreed to support it. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr K Gawler. Agreed.

RESOLVED: Members support the Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan and instructed the Clerk to respond to the consultation.

101.5. Members noted the update from the Post Office confirming that the St Ives post office will not be replaced.

102. Future CIL Funded Projects. The Clerk informed members that he has received a considerable number of suggestions for possible projects. He will compile a list of all suitable project suggestions for members to discuss at the next Full Council meeting on 27th September 2023.

103. Reserves Committee Recommendations. The Reserves Committee met on 26th July 2023 to review the Parish Council investments and the creation of an investment Strategy and Policy. It made two recommendations to members. Details of the minutes can be found at Appendix A to these minutes. The recommendations are:

103.1. To transfer £85k from the Lloyds Bank account to a newly opened bank account.

103.2. To write to the Head of Strategic Finance at Dorset Council and seek guidance on the creation of an Investment Strategy and Policy. Following receipt of this guidance the Reserves Committee will make further recommendations to full council.

Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr M Goringe. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is to arrange for £85k to be transferred from the Lloyds Bank account into a newly created bank account and to write to the Head of Strategic Finance at Dorset Council seeking guidance on an investment strategy and policy.

104. Amenities. None.

105. Climate Change. Cllr R Bryan updated members on Dorset Council's future climate change initiatives. He explained that DC are seeking the necessary funds to carry out its climate change strategy by bidding for grants from various agencies. In the past it has been very successful in doing this. DC are also involved in discussions with suppliers and the government on the introduction and increased use of hydrogen in cars and boilers.

106. Finance:

106.1. Payment Schedules. Members reviewed and approved the schedule of payments for July 2023. A copy of the schedule appears at Appendix B to

these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr S Marshall. Agreed.

RESOLVED. The schedule of payments for July 2023 was approved.

106.2. Bank Reconciliations. Members reviewed and approved the bank reconciliation for July 2023. A copy of the reconciliation appears as Appendix C to these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr S Marshall. Agreed.

RESOLVED. The bank reconciliation for July 2023 was approved.

106.3. Budget Report. Members noted the annual budget report. The Clerk informed members that at the moment there are no significant financial risks and the annual budget is not expected to overspend.

107. To adopt the Approved Minutes of the Following Committee Meetings:

Members approved adoption of the minutes for Planning Committees held on 6th July 2023 and 27th July 2023. Proposed by Cllr C Johnson, seconded by Cllr A Davies, agreed.

RESOLVED: To adopt the minutes of the planning meetings held on 6th July 2023 and 27th July 2023.

108. Appointment to Planning Committee. Members approved the appointment of Cllr N Reeder to the Planning Committee. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr M Goringe, agreed.

RESOLVED: Cllr N Reeder was appointed to the Planning Committee.

109. Dorset Councillor Reports. A report was presented by Cllr B Goringe. It can be found at Appendix D to these minutes.

110. Parish Councillor Reports. Cllr JB Parker updated members on the recent noise assessments undertaken at Matchams Raceway by Dorset Council.

111. Exchange of Information. Members discussed concerns over the transportation of fabricated buildings from the Woolsbridge Industrial Estate to the A31. The Clerk was asked to speak to the Dorset Council Road Safety manager about liaising with the company to see if the timings of the movement of these buildings could be arranged to miss peak traffic flow.

Meeting finished at 8pm

Chair