

UPPER MARSHWOOD VALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at Bettiscombe Village Hall on Thursday 19th May 2016.

Present: Cllr's E Rowe (Chair), C Gray, A Cameron, C Rabbetts, A Edwards, R Warburton and J Gillingham.

In Attendance: The Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe), Cllr D Turner (Dorset County Council), Cllr M Roberts and Cllr J Sewell (West Dorset District Council), two members of the public and one member of the press.

Absent: Cllr T Richards & Cllr R Wyatt

95	Election of Chairman Cllr M Bowditch Was elected as Chairman for the ensuing year. He would sign his declaration at the next meeting as he on holiday at present. The proposer was Cllr E Rowe and the seconder was Cllr C Rabbetts
96	Vice Chairman Cllr E Rowe was elected as vice chairman having been proposed by Cllr A Cameron and seconded by Cllr C Rabbetts
97	Outside Bodies Beaminster Group: Cllr M Bowditch Bettiscombe Hall: Cllr E Rowe Housing: Cllr F Bailey DAPTC: The Clerk Bridport Tourist Association: Vacant
98	Declarations of Interest Cllr J Gillingham declared a Pecuniary Interest in planning application WD/D/16/000744, Mabeys Cottage, Pilsdon as she owned the present. She

	informed the meeting that she would leave the meeting prior to any discussions taking place on this application.
99	<p>Minutes</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th March 2016, having been previously circulated, were accepted as a true record, and were signed by the chairman.</p>
100	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>The Stoke Abbott tree (minute 91) had now been dealt with by the County Council Tree Officer</p>
101	<p>Police Report</p> <p>No report received</p>
102	<p>County and District Councillors' Reports</p> <p>The referendum to change the way in which WDDC was managed had been successful and would be implemented from May 2017. The Lodders Neighbourhood Plan had been adopted with 83% of those voting being in favour. Talks were continuing regarding Dorset changing to a Unitary authority. This could result in the present 330 councillors being reduced to 90. Additional funding had been received for potholes.</p>
103	<p>Democratic Period</p> <p>Concerns expressed regarding parking problems at Mutton Street during the school afternoon closing period. BT had flattened verges at Marshwood in connection with works they were undertaking.</p>
104	<p>Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Accounts for Payment: Came & Company £276.49, S Lee Garden Services £240.00, Blackdown Village Hall £40.00. All were agreed for payment. b) Annual Governance Statement: The statement had been circulated prior to the meeting and was agreed c) The Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2016, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were adopted
105	<p>Apologies</p>

	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Bowditch and Cllr T Brown
106	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>WD/D/16/000744 Mabeys Cottage, Pilsdon: Log Cabin. Support</p> <p>WD/D/16/000654 Clipper Teas Ltd: Erect factory extension: The application, which was an adjoining parish application, was noted.</p>
107	<p>Determinations</p> <p>WD/D/15/002216 Greenacres, Marshwood: Two storey extension. Refused.</p> <p>WD/CA/16/00125 New Inn, Stoke Abbott: Fell tree. Granted</p> <p>WD/CA/16/00081 1 Manor Far, Stoke Abbott: Fell tree: Granted</p> <p>WD/D/15/002731 Laverstock Farm, Bridport: Retain two Sheppard's huts. Granted</p>
108	<p>Councillors' Reports</p> <p>a) Highways: The lengthsman had undertaken a great deal of work since the previous council meeting.</p> <p>b) Affordable Housing: Nothing to report</p> <p>c) Neighbourhood Plan: The meeting at Stoke Abbott had been well attended. There would be a meeting at Bettiscombe on the 16th June</p> <p>d) Newsletter: A newsletter was being prepared for the end of June under the editorship of Sara Hudston. The meeting proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr A Cameron for his hard work over the last five years as editor.</p>
109	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>a) Centenary Fields: Letter regarding the Centenary fields programme was noted</p> <p>b) Councils Direct magazine noted</p>
110	Next Meeting: Thursday 21st July 7.30pm Bettiscombe