

UPPER MARSHWOOD VALE PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at Bettiscombe Village Hall
on the 19th May 2011.**

Present: Cllr's R Wyatt (Chairman), F Bailey, D Borradaile, M Bowditch, R Bugler, A Cameron, J McCellan, M Rowe, R Warburton, W Nightingale and T Richards.

In Attendance: The Clerk, Cllr Col Brierely O.B.E. (Dorset County Council), Cllr M Robinson (West Dorset District Council) and Cllr Sewell (West Dorset District Council)

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the clerk informed the chairman that all councillors had taken their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

367	Election of Chairman Cllr M Bowditch was proposed by Cllr J McCellan and seconded by Cllr W Nightingale. There were no other proposals, and on going to the vote, Cllr M Bowditch was duly elected chairman of the council for the ensuing year. The chairman then thanked the outgoing chairman, Cllr R Wyatt for his support over the last few years as chairman of the council.
368	Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman Cllr M Bowditch took the Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman, witnessed by the Proper Officer.
369	Vice Chairman Cllr J McCellan was proposed by Cllr A Cameron and seconded by Cllr W Nightingale. Cllr R Warburton was proposed by Cllr R Wyatt and seconded by Cllr T Richards. Cllr R Bugler was proposed by Cllr M Bowditch and seconded by Cllr M Rowe. Resolved that the voting be done by means of a paper ballot. On going to the vote Cllr R Bugler was declared Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.
370	Minutes The Minutes of the meeting held on the 17 th March 2011 were adopted as a true record, and duly signed by the chairman. There were no matters arising.

371	Annual Accounts The Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 st March 2011 had been circulated prior to the meeting. Resolved that they be accepted, subject to audit.
372	Annual Governance Statement The clerk went through the statements with the council and it was resolved that council had complied with these statements during the year.
373	Internal Auditor Resolved that Mrs K Abbott of Tiverton be appointed Internal Auditor.
374	Appointment to outside Bodies Bridport Tourist Association: Cllr A Cameron Beaminster Group: Cllr M Bowditch Dorset Town & Parish Councils : Cllr A Cameron and J Vanderwolfe.
375	Democratic Period: No items
376	County and District Council Reports Cllr Col Brierely informed the meeting that the mobile libraries were at present not affected by the possible closures of libraries, however there is a need to ensure that more people use this service if it is going to avoid cuts in the future. The future of Charmouth and Lyme Regis Libraries was still uncertain. There was going to be a reorganisation of the local policing and he was hoping that a meeting would be set up to inform town and parish chairman of the arrangements. The County were very pleased with the way in which the Marshwood Vale Parish Lengthsman scheme was working, and were indeed hopeful that the scheme would also be introduced in other parishes. Cllr Sewell is on the planning committee of WDDC. She spoke of the work being done in the area to improve the broadband speeds. It was hoped that there would be consultation in respect of the Marshwood Affordable Housing scheme by July. The obligation levy under the Section 106 agreement was being looked at present.
377	Power of Well Being

	<p>The council is required to review its compliance with the Power of Well Being legislation following the election of the new Council. The clerk informed the meeting that whilst the clerk's certificate remained in compliance there was now less than the 80% of the Councillors trained, therefore additional would be required for those who had not yet undertaken this qualification. The clerk would make the necessary arrangements.</p>
378	<p>Finances Payments- Resolved that the following payments be made: S Lee Garden Services £1,686.00 (327), DAPTC £169.79 (328). The Clerk had managed to secure a better deal with Aviva Insurance. Agreed to pay this premium of £265.00 (329).</p>
379	<p>Planning Maybey's Cottage 1/D/11/000702/Full. Extension for Mr Gillingham. Cllr R Warburton declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item as the applicant is a relative. He left the room for the deliberation of this item. Council recommended support.</p> <p>Determinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Post Office, Stoke Abbot-Internal alterations. Approved • Prime Copse. Dwelling. This application had been withdrawn. • Gramarye Lodge, Mutton Street. Extension. Approved <p>Development Plan for the next 10 years It was agreed that this document required some thought and would take some time to go through, therefore it was agreed that a planning meeting would be held on the 16th June to deal with this item</p>
380	<p>Winter Strategy Agreed that this item be deferred until the 16th June meeting.</p>
381	<p>Parish Newsletter It was agreed that the first issue of this newsletter was very good and that all associated with it should be thanked. Cllr A Cameron stated that having discussed the matter with the clerk he would make it clear that it was a parish council publication, otherwise there could be problems with the council providing funding. The cost of the printing would be in the region of £98.00 plus Vat. There would also be a cost for postage. Agreed that the clerk would deal with the postage via Tiverton Town Council, so that we could take advantage of the franking rates. Where possible, in the future, readers would be asked to receive the publication via email to reduce costs.</p>
382	<p>Items of urgency There was a need to replace some of the notice boards. This</p>

	<p>would be an agenda item for the July council meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that the following councillors would kindly be responsible for putting up the agendas and statutory notices on the applicable notice boards:-</p> <p>Stoke Abbott: Cllr D Borradaile Pilsdon: Cllr J McCellan Marshwood: Cllr A Cameron Bettiscombe: Cllr M Rowe Shave Cross: Cllr R Warburton</p>
383	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>a) There will be a training day for councillors in Axminster on Saturday 4th June. Cllr's A Cameron and W Nightingale stated that they would like to attend. Cllr T Richards would let the clerk know if he could attend.</p> <p>b) Bridport Local Area Partnership correspondence noted</p> <p>c) DAPTC Newsletter distributed and noted</p>
384	<p>Next Meetings and items for the agenda:</p> <p>Planning: Thursday 16th June @ Shave Cross Council Thursday 21st July @ Bettiscombe Items for that agenda to include notice boards</p>