

## UPPER MARSHWOOD VALE PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at Bettiscombe Village Hall on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012

**Present:** Cllr's M Bowditch (Chairman), A Cameron, M Rowe, R Wyatt and J Gillingham

**In attendance:** The Clerk, Cllr M Robinson (West Dorset District Council), Cllr Sewell (West Dorset District Council) and five members of the public.

Apologies were received from Cllr's F Bailey, D Borradaile, R Bugler, C Rabbetts, T Richards and R Warburton. Resolved to accept apologies. Apologies also received from County Councillors Col Brierely O.B.E and Knox.

<b>453</b>	<b>Election of Chairman</b> Cllr M Bowditch was proposed by Cllr R Wyatt and seconded by Cllr A Cameron. There were no other nominations. Cllr M Bowditch was therefore elected as chairman for the ensuing civic year.
<b>454</b>	<b>Declaration of Office</b> Cllr M Bowditch made his Declaration of Office, witnessed by the clerk.
<b>455</b>	<b>Election of Vice Chairman</b> Cllr R Bugler was proposed by Cllr R Wyatt and seconded by Cllr M Rowe. There were no further nominations, therefore Cllr R Bugler was elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing civic year.
<b>456</b>	<b>Appointment of Councillors to Outside Bodies</b> Bridport Tourist Association : Cllr A Cameron Beaminster Group: Cllr M Bowditch DTAPC: Cllr Cameron and J Vanderwolfe
<b>457</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct</b> Cllr R Wyatt declared personal and prejudicial interests in PA 1/D/12/000431/Full & 1/D/12/000239/Full. The first was his brothers application and the second application was someone he did some work for on occasions. He would leave the room prior to any discussions taking place.

458	<p><b>Minutes</b> The minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2012 were adopted as a true record, and were signed by the chairman.</p>
459	<p><b>Matters Arising</b> Clerk informed the meeting the notice board is being made.</p>
460	<p><b>County and District Reports</b> Cllr Robinson informed the meeting that negotiations were continuing in relation to the site for affordable housing in Marshwood. There would be another meeting in July. He produced an Ipad and stated it would be nice to record items that the Lengthsman had dealt with on this machine. The cost would be in the region of £400.</p> <p>A new system is in place for bidding for affordable housing, which can now be done on the telephone if the person does not have internet access.</p> <p>Some road resurfacing repairs had resulted in the top surface now being too high. This had been reported.</p> <p>Cllr Sewell informed the meeting that consultation was now open on the Local Plan.</p> <p>Concerns about dog fouling which can spread fatal diseases to cattle.</p>
461	<p><b>Democratic Period</b> There were objections voiced in relation to 1/D/12/000431/Full. It was pointed out that when a new application was registered any enforcement requirements ceased until after the decision on the application was made by the planning authority. There would be a need for an independent sustainability study to be made. The applicant also spoke on the application outlining what he wished to achieve.</p> <p>A member of the public spoke in relation to 1/D/12/000551/Full stating that there were some concerns about possible infringement of privacy from the balcony of the proposed extension.</p>
462	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Payments agreed : S Lee Garden Services £1452.00 (386) Bridport Tourist Ass £20.00 (387), S lee Garden Services £1966.00 (388), J Briggs £22.50 (389), DAPTC £20.00 (390), DAPTC £186.99 (391) &amp; Came &amp; Co £265.00 (392).</li> <li>b) Annual Accounts: Resolved to accept the Annual Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012, subject to audit.</li> <li>c) Resolved to accept that the council has maintained, as far</li> </ul>

	as possible, and to the best of its knowledge, an adequate internal audit system throughout the year.
<b>463</b>	<p><b>Planning</b>  1/D/12/000431/Full  Brimley Farm, Stoke Abbott  Erection of a general purpose agricultural building  <b>Council supports this application</b></p> <p>1/D/12/000239/Full  Willow Farm, Stoke Abbott  Retention of existing agricultural workers dwelling on a permanent basis and retention of one chicken house  <b>Council felt it was unable to make any recommendations until it had sight of the independent viability survey</b></p> <p>1/D/12/000551/Full  Ramsons Bridge Farm, Whitchurch Canonorum  New garage to north of bungalow. New south gable with balcony to allow accommodation in roof and change external materials  <b>Council concerned about possible loss of privacy to near by dwelling by persons on the proposed balcony.</b></p> <p><b>Determinations</b>  1/D/12/000191  Overdale, Marshwood  Extension to rear  Conditional approval</p> <p>1/D/12/000210  Eidelweiss, Marshwood  Rear extension  Conditional approval</p> <p>1/D/11/002072  Pilsdon Manor, Pilsdon  Installation of photovoltaic panels  Conditional approval</p> <p>Notifications relating to requests as to whether planning permission is required or not:  1/D/12/000652  Nash Farm, Marshwood  Agricultural building  28 days from 25/4/12</p> <p>1/D/12/000377  Lower Brimley Combe, Stoke Abbott  Steel Frame building  28 dayd from 6<sup>th</sup> March</p>

464	<p><b>Councillors' Reports</b></p> <p>Parish Lengthsman: Had busy period dealing with flooding problems. Next project will be the flowers around War Memorial</p> <p>Affordable Housing: Pleased with new committee</p> <p>Broadband: Progressing well</p> <p>Quality Council: Application is now with DAPTC. Many hours of work. Await outcome</p> <p>Power of Competence: Clerk has attended training but has to submit a test paper. Once paper accepted council can go forward with resolution to adopt.</p>
465	<p><b>Items of Urgency</b></p> <p>None</p>
466	<p><b>November Meeting</b></p> <p>Resolved that the November meeting be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> November at Bettiscombe as the hall is not available on the 15<sup>th</sup> November due to being used as a polling station. Also agreed that clerk would look into possibility of a pre Christmas meal after this meeting.</p>
467	<p><b>Casual Vacancy</b></p> <p>No poll had been called following the resignation of former councillor Nightingale, therefore the council would be able to co-opt a councillor at the next meeting. Notices will go up within the Marshwood parish advertising the vacancy.</p>
468	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Letter from RT Hon Oliver Letwin Mp regarding a notice on display at Bettiscombe. This could not be found.</li> <li>b) Letter from Audit Commission stating that BDO LLP had been re-appointed as auditors for the 5 year period commencing 2012/13.</li> <li>c) Dorset County Council: Street closure notice for Stoke Abbott for Street Fair on 21<sup>st</sup> July</li> <li>d) WDDC: Confirmation that Marshwood had been awarded a grant of £250 for the Diamond Jubilee</li> <li>e) DAPTC AGM 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Motions requested</li> <li>f) Somerset Waste Core Strategy Development Plan available on their website</li> <li>g) Bridport Local Area Partnership correspondence noted</li> <li>h) Western Area DAPTC meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> May at Bridport Town Hall at 7.30pm</li> <li>i) Dorset County Council Mobile Library review correspondence</li> </ul>
469	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July @ 7.30pm</p>