

Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage  
Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on  
**MONDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2015** at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor S. Poultney – Chairman

Councillor J.M. Bishop

Councillor M.P. Bonfield

Councillor Mrs. C. Finch

(until 7.45 p.m.)

Councillor Mrs. G. Green

Councillor Mrs. A. Harris

Councillor Mrs. A. Lejeune

Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh

Councillor T.J. Morris

Councillor G.M. Suttle

Councillor W.S. Trite

Councillor M. Whitwam

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, 9 members of the public attended the Meeting.

Councillor Poultney welcomed Revd Simon Franklin, who offered a prayer before the commencement of the Meeting.

**Public Participation Time**

The following matters were raised during Public Participation Time:-

- Proposals for future gas drilling at California Quarry, and the reply received from Dorset County Council in response to issues previously raised. Responsibility for any ‘emergency strategy/evacuation plan’ if the drilling is progressed.
- Issues previously raised regarding the risk assessment of Panorama Road.
- Possible increase of traffic to drilling site.
- Increased representation of Town Council members on PDC planning committee.  
Request that consideration be given to advertising planning applications in the local press.
- Remedial works to potholes in Stafford Road.
- Repairs to Town Hall clock.
- Participation in Dorset Association of Parish & Town Council meetings.

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

41. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies to report for Members’ inability to attend the Meeting.

42. **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, and requests for Grants of Dispensations in respect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

**Agenda Item No. 4** – The Town Mayor declared a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct in planning application No. 6/2015/0279 by reason of his business being a neighbour of the applicants.

**Agenda Item No. 6** – Councillor Harris declared a personal interest under the Code of Conduct by reason of being a friend of the former concessionaire.

**Agenda Item No. 8** – Councillor Harris declared a personal interest under the Code of Conduct by reason of being a friend of the Chairperson of the Purbeck Film Festival Committee.

**Agenda Item No. 8.** – Councillor Suttle declared a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct by reason of being the Purbeck District Council’s representative on the Purbeck Film Festival Committee.

43. **PLANS**

Under the Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest in the capacity of Corporate Trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust in applications relating to the Trust.

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 Committee.

**Delegated Applications**

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| 6/2015/0229<br><b>LISTED</b> | <b>Mrs Gatrell</b><br>Demolition of chimney, installation of lead tray and flashing and re-build chimney using original bricks and lime mortar.<br>1 Bell Street, Swanage.<br><b>OBSERVATION:</b> No objection.   |
| 6/2015/0253                  | <b>Mr &amp; Mrs C Milmer</b><br>Erect rear and side single storey extension.<br>70 Ulwell Road, Swanage.<br><b>OBSERVATION:</b> No objection.   |
| 6/2015/0270                  | <b>Mrs S Lander</b><br>Sever land and erect three-bedroom detached dwelling with vehicular access and parking.<br>15 Sydenham Road, Swanage.<br><b>OBSERVATION:</b> No objection.   |
| 6/2015/0265                  | <b>Abora Properties Ltd</b><br>Replacement of existing flat roof to garage with pitched slated roof and conversion to garden room.<br>31 Church Hill, Swanage.<br><b>OBSERVATION:</b> Defer. Recommend that notice of the planning application is displayed in Locarno Road to ensure that neighbours are aware of the proposals. |

6/2015/0272            **Mr & Mrs Puckett**  
Raise ridge height and alterations to roof to facilitate loft conversion to habitable accommodation, insert dormer, rooflights and gable end windows. Install veranda.  
5 Durlston Road, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2015/0274            **Mr Oliver Kunc**  
Erect rear decking.  
5 Hill Road, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

Further to his declaration of interest under Minute No. 42, the Town Mayor left the Meeting during consideration of the following item.

6/2015/0279            **Mr & Mrs Holmes**  
Erect two-storey side extension, single-storey rear extension & relocate shed.  
200 Kings Road West, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2015/0288            **Mr Tom Strudwick**  
Raise roof ridge to create additional first floor accommodation.  
3 Manwell Drive, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2015/0289            **Mrs V Coane**  
Raise roof to provide accommodation at first floor level, demolish existing garage and erect new garage with utility area.  
1 Manwell Drive, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2015/0291            **Mrs L Craddock**  
Erect side extension, raise ridge and conversion of loft.  
14 Bay Crescent, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

#### **Items for information only**

The following applications were not discussed by the Town Council as it was considered that a conflict of interest existed given that the Council was the owner of land included within, or directly affected by, the applications.

6/2015/0276            **Darwin (Swanage Bayview) Ltd**  
Erection of entrance barriers to Holiday Park and engineering works in relation to Plot 226A including the erection of a retaining wall and fencing. (Retrospective)  
Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Panorama Road, Swanage.

6/2015/0280            **CTIL & Vodafone Ltd**  
Installation of 1 No. new 300m dish antenna; plus ancillary works.  
Car Park, Victoria Avenue, Swanage.

- 6/2015/0290                    **For and on behalf of CTIL and Vodafone Limited UK**  
Replacement of 3 No. existing antennas with 6 No. new antennas. Installation of 2 No. new 300mm dish antennas and 2 No. new equipment cabinets; plus ancillary works.  
Swanage Town and Herston FC, Bonfields Avenue, Swanage.
- 6/2015/0252                    **Mr Gordon Wallis**  
Erect rear extension.  
9 Beach Gardens, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.
- 6/2015/0267                    **Mr David Rowe**  
Erect single storey rear extension.  
24 Durberville Drive, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.
- 6/2015/0282                    **Wessex Court Management Co Ltd**  
Add to existing felt flat roof a membrane and 125mm of rigid insulation with a pvc single ply waterproofing system adding 125mm to existing roof height. Also replace existing white pvc cladding with marley cedral cladding in grey cos (or equal). Add insulation board.  
Wessex Court, De Moulham Road, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.
- 6/2015/0292                    **Mr I Langdon**  
Erect single-storey rear extension, installation of hipped roof over utility room. Insert two new windows in side (west) elevation.  
32 Bonfields Avenue, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.

44.    **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

- The unveiling of the Community Ceramic Dinosaur on Shore Road.
- The 'Beginning of the Sculpture Trail' at Burngate Stone Carving Centre.

Finally, the Mayor reminded those present of the People's Commemoration of D-Day event being held at Leeson House, Langton Matravers on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> June.

45. **MAIN BEACH – PUNCH AND JUDY CONCESSION**

A letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015 was submitted from Mr. Peter Jaggard notifying the Council that regrettably, due to age and health issues, he would no longer be able to continue with the Punch and Judy concession on Swanage Beach.

During the ensuing discussion, Members expressed their appreciation of the Punch and Judy Show provided by Mr Jaggard for many years, which had been enjoyed by generations of children, both residents and visitors alike. They were anxious to retain the tradition of a Punch and Judy Show, and it was AGREED:-

That the Town Clerk pursue options for the retention of a Punch and Judy Show on Swanage Beach.

46. **DORSET POLICE**

An e-mail dated 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 was submitted from Dorset Police inviting nominations for the new ‘Dorset Police Young People Award’. The new Award allowed members of the public, as well as Dorset Police staff and officers, to nominate young people who had made a positive contribution to their community.

During the ensuing discussion, Members welcomed the new initiative, and noted that the closing date for submissions was 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

47. **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

A letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015 was submitted from the Chairperson of the Purbeck Film Festival Committee seeking a contribution from the Town Council towards the costs of the Purbeck Film Festival 2015.

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

That, under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £600 be donated towards the costs of the Purbeck Film Festival 2015.

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

(a) Councillor Mrs. Green reported that she had visited the Sure Start Children’s Centre in Chapel Lane, Swanage and had been very impressed by the wide range of facilities and help provided at the Centre.

(b) Councillor Avril Harris reported that she had attended the launch of the Swanage Area Dementia Friendly Community, which had been very well supported. She had also attended a ‘Councillor Awareness’ training session, provided by officers at Purbeck District Council, which she had found to be very helpful.

49. **REPORTING OF DELEGATED MATTERS**

Further to Minute No. 184 of the Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015, and a subsequent site visit by members of the Panorama Road Working Party, the Clerk reported on costs to be incurred by Environmental Scientifics Group in the sum of £2,121.31 for sampling and analysing the road surface of Panorama Road.

Members endorsed the action taken and approved the additional expenditure.

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

(a) **Items of Information**

- i) Progression regarding setting up Town Council’s Planning Committee.
- ii) Update on matters relating to Panorama Road.

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Bonfield, and  
RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That, under Standing Order No. 1) c), by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, and its relationship to the financial and business affairs of those who had submitted tender(s), it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following matters.

51. **WAR MEMORIAL – OUTCOME OF TENDER PROCESS**

Further to Minute No. 119 of the Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014, consideration was given to the outcome of the tender process for the construction of a war memorial wall and pathway.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Bonfield, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That a meeting be arranged with representatives of the Royal British Legion and the Town Council (Town Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Mrs. Marsh, Suttle and Trite) to consider options and report to a future meeting of the Council.

The meeting concluded at 8.45 p.m.

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