MINETY PARISH COUNCIL

#### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting on 10 May 2022

**Councillors:**  Mr A Slucock (Chairman); Mr A Read; Mr R Gardner; Mrs S Crompton; Mrs A Dupree; Mr A Anderson

**In attendance:** Mrs E Fursman (Clerk); Wiltshire Cllr Berry, PC Jo Phelps and 13 members of the public (names noted). Cllr Berry left the meeting at 9.05pm

The meeting commenced at 07:30 pm.

1. **Open to members of the public**

Members of the public attended to discuss the planning application at Sawyers Hill for 9 Houses. PL/2022/02854. Minety Parish Council have already objected on the basis that this is on a greenfield site, the increased risk of flooding and that is outside of the current boundaries. Further suggestions have been made to supplement the objection from villagers and Minety Parish Council have agreed to add these to our objection. To include previous declined applications and appeals for this land. Unsuitable sewerage provision, lack of pedestrian footpaths and local amenities.

Several members of the public came to address a new planning application at Moor Farm PL/2022/03081 and PL/2022/03080. It was brought to the council’s attention that there has been creeping development on the property and that the scope for turning the area into a commercial property would set a dangerous precedent.

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence, accepted by the Parish Council, were received from Mr I Cain; Mrs J Pinkney; Mr J Shephard

1. **Dispensations / Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Gardner. Neighbour to Application at Moor Farm. PL/2022/03081 and PL/2022/03082 and planning permission for Cllr Gardner’s own property Telling’s Farm House. PL/2022/03257

1. **Minutes from the previous meeting held on 12 April 2022**

The minutes from 12 April were approved by the meeting and will be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record at an appropriate time. There were no matters arising not included on the agenda

1. **Council Vacancy.**

Current vacancy will be advertised in Parish magazine and Clerk to look into process of advertising a vacancy

1. **Treasurers Report**

Clerk is preparing to submit an audit of the accounts.

Cllr Crompton to assist Clerk in preparing Treasurers reports.

1. **Parish Newsletter**

Cllr Slucock to submit this month. Parish Council to also publish our monthly article on the Minety Face Book page.

1. **Officers Report / Parish Matters**
* **Minety Playing Fields Association** – Non payment of rent arrears. AGM 16 May, Cllr Read to attend. New treasurer will be appointed at this meeting. MPC to ask again for an annual report of finances.
* **Footpaths and Area Committee and Community Area Transport Group –** A villager has been addressing footpath problems and has offered assistance to MPC as a volunteer. Cllr Slucock to invite Steve Leonard for WCC to visit Minety.
* **Speeding issues and dangerous driving through the villages** – Cllr Slucock to collect and renew the speed watch device for the village. Request has been put in for help towards the purchase of 2 auto speed watch devices with number plate recognition.
* **Village Hall** – no action
* **School Liaison** – Cllr Pinkney is now on the board of governors
* **Working with the Parish Steward** – Cllr Read has discussed potholes on the road between Upper and Lower Minety with the Steward for his next visit.
* **Play equipment** –No action
* **Flood and resilience issues inc. ditch clearance** – No action
* **Minety Charity.** Clerk to arrange the next meeting in June.
* **Queens Jubilee Plans** – Suggestions of how to allocate any profit made by the Jubilee committee. Suggestions were made about the bus shelters in the village and help in funding a new jubilee all weather classroom at the Primary School.
* **Minety Parish handbook** – No update
* **Battery Storage.**  The scale of this solar farm has been reduced so it's not so close to local residents anymore.
* **AGM** Discussion of notice, invites and refreshments.
* **Community Heartbeat Trust** Mr Cook came to address the council about the hand over of the 2 defibrillators in the village and discussed maintenance, training. Clerk to look into training possibilities and transference to Parish council.
* **Parish council jubilee awards** Council are awaiting return of forms.
* **Other items not on agenda.**
1. **Planning –** Parish council voted on objecting to the planning at Moor Farm PL/2022/03081 and PL/2022/03080 Cllr Slucock proposed, Cllr Anderson seconded. All Cllr’s voted to object to the applications.

**Date of next meeting -** Monthly meeting Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 7:30pm

Minety Village Hall

The meeting closed at 21.22pm