

CHILD OKEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The **ANNUAL MEETING** of this Parish Council was held at the COCCL on Tuesday the 5th May 2009, at 7-30pm.

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386	<u>Appointment of Chairman</u>																																													
	It was proposed by Cllr Schwier, seconded by Cllr Addley and carried unanimously that Cllr Holdeman be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.	Noted																																												
387	<u>Attendance & Apologies</u>																																													
	All Councillors attended together County Cllr Angus Campbell (part time), one parishioner and the Clerk. Apologies for absence were received from PC Barnes.	Noted																																												
388	<u>Declaration of Interest</u>																																													
	No Declarations of Interest were received.	Noted																																												
389	<u>Other Appointments</u>																																													
	It was proposed by Cllr Lewis, seconded by Cllr Cotton and carried unanimously that the following officers and groups are appointed for the ensuing year:																																													
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390	<u>Minutes</u>																																													
	It was proposed by Cllr Duke, seconded by Cllr Schwier and carried that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 6 th April 2009, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed. It was proposed by Cllr Addley, seconded by Cllr Schwier and carried that the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on the 24 th April 2009, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.	Clerk																																												
391	<u>Matters Arising</u>																																													
	a A letter was tabled from the SHA advising the position with regard to Cooper Gardens. Further representations are to be made.	Clerk																																												
392	<u>Public Participation</u>																																													
	a A parishioner requested that the overhanging brambles and vegetation below Damsel Pit in the Hollow is cleared. Cllr Cotton agreed to undertake this work.	Cllr Cotton																																												

393	Reports		
	a	<p>County Cllr Angus Campbell reported as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The change over from the South-West Regional Assembly to the Leaders Board for the South-West is imminent. The County and European Elections will be held on the 4th June 2009. Work on the Weymouth Relief Road is progressing well. 	Noted
	b	Cllr Lewis reported that Bob Brannigan had succeeded Steve Adamson as Chairman of the DT11 Forum Partnership and that she had resigned as Vice Chairman, whilst remaining a member of the committee.	Noted
394	Planning		
	a	<p>The following decisions were tabled:</p> <p>2/2009/0095 – To install a door, window and roof lights in the first floor of the garage at 5 Little Stream (retrospectively) – Approved.</p> <p>2/2009/0171 – Erect two dwellings on part of garden of 10, 12 & 14 Jacobs Ladder – Refused.</p> <p>2/2009/0191 – Erect extensions at Russets, Rectory Lane – Approved.</p>	Noted
	b	Consideration was given to application 2/2009/0281 to erect one replacement dwelling at Little Meadow, Gold Hill. It was agreed to recommend refusal of the design as submitted, but stating that an alternative design more suited to the rural area would be acceptable.	Clerk
	c	Consideration was given to application 2/2009/0296 to raise the height of the garage roof and add two Velux roof lights at Hopefield, The Hollow. It was agreed to recommend a conditional approval.	Clerk
	d	Consideration was given to application 2/2009/0313 to convert part of the existing garage to holiday accommodation at Hawthorn Cottage, Gold Hill. It was agreed to recommend refusal of the application as submitted but stating the conditions that could be imposed to render it acceptable.	Clerk
	e	Cllr Duke outlined the situation with respect to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and 'Taking Forward the N Dorset Local Development Framework and Public Participation on the Core Strategy and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document.' These are complex documents and policies which will inevitably impact on the future development on the seventy four parishes in N Dorset, who have not been involved in their drafting. Cllr Duke will prepare a paper on the subject. The first consultation is on the Sustainability Appraisal and Cllr Duke and Cotton will combine forces to formulate Council's response.	Cllrs Duke & Cotton
395	War Memorial		
	a	The Clerk reported that the War Memorial and adjacent land to the south has been registered with the Land Registry, although official notification is pending.	Noted
	b	The revised plan for the Memorial Protection scheme was tabled by the Clerk and accepted by Council.	Clerk
	c	The Clerk was instructed to finalise the arrangements of the scheme. Cllr Addley was appointed to oversee the selection of the Purbeck stone.	Cllr Addley & Clerk
396	Recreation Ground		
	a	The Clerk reported vandalism in the Play Area.	Noted
	b	Council agreed to accept the gift of a second hand garage to replace the existing unit in the north-west corner. The Clerk to obtain estimates for the removal of the existing and the erection of its replacement.	Clerk
	c	The offer to arrange the 2009 annual RoSPA inspection of the play area through NDDC was accepted.	Clerk
397	Village Items		
	a	Cllr Duke agreed to write an article for The Hill detailing the current position of the Parish Plan and explaining the options for the future.	Cllr Duke
	b	The Police have prioritised our request to monitor the speed of vehicles through the village, and will be carrying out checks over the next few weeks.	Noted
	c	The Clerk was instructed to obtain estimates for the renovation of the Millennium Board.	Clerk

	d	The offer from Gary Gray to paint out the obscene markings on the bus shelter was accepted with grateful thanks.	Clerk
398	Finance		
	a	It was proposed by Cllr Schwier, seconded by Cllr Yard and carried unanimously that remunerations paid are increased as follows:	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman's Honorarium: From £135.00 to £140.00 per annum. • Clerk's Salary: From £2,500.00 to £3,000.00 per annum. (Incorporating and dispensing with the Retirement Fund.) • Maintenance of Play Area: From £530.00 to £550.00 per annum. • Maintenance of Rec: From £450.00 to £465.00 per annum. (Paid against an invoice.) 	Clerk
	b	The Clerk presented three quotations for insurance and it was agreed to accept the one from Came & Co, provided that they remain competitive after the re-valuation of the War Memorial. As the premium is payable before the next meeting the matter was passed to the Finance Group to finalise.	Clerk & Fin Group
	d	It was proposed by Cllr Schwier, seconded by Cllr Yard and carried unanimously that the following cheques are signed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 000984 – Bulbarrow Timber products - £54.05 – Gate posts. (Retrospectively) • 000985 – COCCL – £12.50 - Hire of room for Council Meeting. • 000986 - C/Okeford Village Hall – £15.00 - Hire of hall for APM. • 000987 – DAPTC - £423.01 – Subscription • 000988 – D Holdeman - £124.68 – Emergency repair to gate in Rec. • 000989 – S Holdeman. - £140.00 – Chairman's Honorarium • 000990 – D Jones - £465.00 – Maintenance of Rec. 	Clerk
	e	The Clerk reported that he had delivered the accounts to the Internal Auditor.	Noted
	f	It was agreed to accept the offer from Steve Hitchings (BLCAG) to attend the next meeting to give a presentation on the Blandford Leisure. It was requested that he extends his talk to discuss the possible diversification of the centre to include social events, particularly for the elderly.	Clerk
	g	No 1 account Opening balance £19,965.37 Less cheques as above £1,234.24 Balance in hand £18,731.13 No 2 account Balance in hand £315.36 Total Closing Balance £19,046.49	Noted
399	Correspondence		
	a	Various items of correspondence were left on the table.	Noted
400	Other Business		
	a	The Clerk was instructed to action the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request the NDDC Tree Officer to investigate the trees at Chalwell and at the entrance to Greenway. • To seek the repair of two stiles, one on the path from Bower to Netmead Lane and the other off legal Lane. • To request that the communal area at Cooper Gardens is tidied. • To request the filling of several large potholes. 	Clerk
	The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10-15pm.		

Signed Presiding Chairman Date

Please note that the foregoing do not become minutes until approved by Council and signed to that effect by the Presiding Chairman at the next meeting.