



## Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting of Tatworth and Forton Parish Council held on Thursday 26th September 2019 at 7.00 pm in the Brewer Room of the Memorial Hall.

### Public Session

**Present:** Councillors:

G Beattie

RT Down

J MacOmish

E Peadon

B Poole Parish Clerk

Two persons were also present.

**AC26/19 To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given. (LGA 1972 s85 (1))**

Cllr. Kelly Bisogno

**AC27/19 Declarations of interests**

None

**AC28/19 To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019. (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))**

Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019 as circulated be taken as read approved as being a correct record of what took place as such by the chairman.

**AC29/19 Matters for report purposes only.**

**AC21/19**

- (1) Gulley Clearance
- (2) Cemetery Extension Report

Work in progress with the long awaited report still not received

**AC22/19**

- (1) Purchase of 3 No. Benches

Ordered with delivery due in December.

- (3) Planning Application

Work in progress

- (4) Outcome of Site Meeting – 29/08/19
- (5) Tree Planting – Chard Support Group

- (6) Future Management – Jubilee Field – Outcome of Site Meeting 29/08/19
- (7) New works/schemes in the Jubilee Field

A verbal update was given to the meeting

- (8) Environmental Policy

See AC30/19/5

### **AC23/19**

- (a) Carbon Print Awareness – Councillor Bisogno
- (b) No Village should be “cut off” – Councillor MacOmish
- (c) Councillor Down
  - (i) Car Park on Dyke Hill
  - (ii) Fire service Consultation – Letter
- (d) Councillor Peadon
  - (i) 2nd Main Road Gate to be retained
  - (ii) Installation of 2<sup>nd</sup> Gate to Cemetery additional land

It was noted in the main the previous comments were personal statements as noted

### **AC30/19 Resolutions**

- (1) To note the receipt of two previously circulated documents entitled:**

- (a) “Frog life – Amphibian ponds in farmed landscapes”**
- (b) Extract from SSDC’s Landscape design – A Guide to Good Practice.**

#### **Noted**

- (2) To resolve to determine a timetable for the construction of a series of ponds and leaky dams and any necessary immediate work to alleviate the current flooding in the Jubilee Field.**

**Resolved** that immediate steps be taken to provide a drainage ditch into the adjoining stream to alleviate the current wet area’

**Resolved** to secure a supply of bark in order to spread over the current wet area.

**Resolved** that some mechanical digging be carried out to provide wildflower beds.

**Resolved** that due to the urgency of the work involved it was agreed that Richard Down should be requested to undertake the work.

**Subject** to ongoing advice to be received from pertinent outside agencies.

- (3) To consider the future management of the Jubilee Field Orchard.**

**Resolved** that an appropriate number of trees be moved and replanted in an area between the allotments and the fence line and thereafter to arrange mowing between the remaining trees in the current orchard.

- (4) To resolve to place an order for a new Parish Council Notice Board to be installed on Tatworth Playing Field Grounds.**

It was confirmed that the necessary order had been placed and a delivery date is awaited.

**(5) To consider a draft Environmental Policy.**

A draft policy was presented to the meeting.

**Resolved** that the submitted draft Environmental Policy be recommended for approval by the Parish Council.

**(6) To consider what preliminary steps could be undertaken to increase the community's public awareness regarding "Carbon Print".**

**Resolved** that the subject matter be deferred for a future time

**(7) To resolve that the second gateway on the A358 be retained for the foreseeable future.**

**Resolved** that the second gateway on the A358 be retained.

**(8) To resolve to place an order to provide an additional gateway to Cemetery additional land.**

**Resolved** to place an order for the provision of an additional gate (farm style) to the Cemetery land extension.

**(9) To receive the notes of the site meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> September at Dykes Hill.**

**Received** with a copy attached to these minutes.

**AC31/19 Matters for information purposes only**

**None**

**AC32/19 Correspondence**

**None**

**AC33/19 Date and Time of next Meeting – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Site Meeting Outside the Post Office to Discuss the New **No**  
**Waiting Areas**

Present Richard Down, Keith Robbins, Gorge Beattie the Post Office Manager and nine Residents...

Residents were informed that the councillors could only recommend and any decisions if any, would have to be taken by a higher authority.

Residents felt that the main problem was due to inconsiderate parking by some motorists using the Post Office facilities which stopped them from exiting their cars from in front of their houses. It was also noted that this inconsiderate parking was causing mums with prams and those with mobility aids to having to move over onto the roadway.

It was also felt that as the Post Office was the only shop in the parish they did not want to lose this facility by reducing its trade.

In the main they agreed with the proposed **no waiting areas** but would like to add.

- 1) The yellow line opposite the Link Hay exit should not be applied, as parking in this area was needed.
- 2) That land should be obtained above Little | Orchard and made into a designated parking area for residents with an annual fee.
- 3) That the cone system outside the Post Office be scrapped and a 30min.parking limit be introduced
- 4) All road signs should be re-painted.
- 5) CCTV be obtained to monitor parking this could be mounted on Robin Munday's property
- 6) A raised crossing no higher than the pavement and wide enough for two mobility scooters to pass should be added.