**MAIDEN NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON**

 **THURSDAY 2nd JANUARY 2020**

**IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM WEBBERS PIECE**

**CHAIR:** Cllr Alan Goff

**PRESENT:** Cllr Jeremy Edwards, Cllr Sally Falkingham, Cllr Trena Fox, Cllr Russell Goff and Cllr Paul Valinski.

There were 12 members of the public at the December meeting.

Residents living near the proposed Quarr development (WD/D/19/002836) raised concerns over the details of the application for approval of reserved matters for access, appearance, layout & scale in relation to Outline Approval. A number of concerns had already been identified by Councillors and Cllr Alan Goff assured the residents that their views would be taken into account when the Councils’ comments on the application were submitted. Dorset Council was complimented on the new road surface at Hill View. It was reported that the gate to the footpath behind the church was missing. Cllr Fox suggested a directional sign should be erected for the defibrillator.

**The Chair declared the meeting open at 7.33 p.m.**

001/0120 Apologies for absence

Cllr Cherri Dyke

002/0120 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

003/0120 The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2019

**RESOLVED:** The minutes were approved and signed as a correct record**.**

Cllr Falkingham asked for permission to write to Dorset Council regarding the new Station Approach lighting and ask them to photograph and include them in the Transport News. She reported that Dorset Community Transport now have three bus routes where free bus passes may be used. Transport report (Appendix 1).

**AGREED:** for Cllr Falkingham to write letter.

004/0120 Chairman’s report

Cllr Alan Goff thanked Cllr Russell Goff for his work in solving the problems of flooding at Coombeside. The grips at both Coombeside and the Drift were now working. He said that the surface water was still running from the hills through the allotments, due to the quantity of rainfall.

005/0120 Grass cutting and MUGA contracts annual review

Responsible Financial Officer Gary Free said that the grass cutting contract figure would remain the same and that the MUGA contract would rise by 84 pence per month, for 2020/21.

**AGREED:** to increase the MUGA contract by 85 pence per month.

06/0120 To agree Budget and Precept request for 2010/21

RFO Gary Free presented the budget and said that the precept request would remain the same as 2019/20 at £31,000.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the budget and keep the precept request to £31,000 for 2020/21.

07/0120 Allowances for Parish and Town Councillors

After discussion.

**AGREED:** Not to adopt a scheme of allowances

08/0120 Request to support Local Electricity Bill

After discussion it was agreed to support the bill. (Appendix 2)

09/0120 Planning applications

After discussion it was agreed to support the following applications but to submit a number of comments on application WD/D/19/002836 (Appendix 4)

WD/D/19/002698 CROCKWAY FARM, CROCKWAY, DT2 0BY WD/D/19/002738 CATTISTOCK LODGE, MAIDEN NEWTON ROAD, CATTISTOCK, DT2 0JL WD/D/19/002836 LAND WEST OF, CATTISTOCK ROAD, MAIDEN NEWTON

10/0120 Accounts for payment

Magna Housing – room hire £12.00 (10557) L. Baker – MUGA contract £99.16 (10558) J.Carver – grass cutting contract £341.66 (10559) DAPTC – courses and seminars x3 £240.00 (10560) G. Free – RFO salary December £80.80 (10561) A.Holloway – Clerk salary January £430.40 (10562) HMRC – tax on salaries £20.00 (10563)

012/0120 Risk assessment monthly condition reports

The inspection checking sheets had been completed for each property risk and no action was required.

**Meeting closed at 8.03 pm. Date of next meeting February 6th 2020**

**Appendix 1**

TRANSPORT NEWS JANUARY 2020

Most Dorset Schools reopen on Monday 6 January. Greenford School opens on the 7th.

The Maiden Newton Ring and Ride service (01305 228965), run by Dorset Council's passenger services, to Dorchester on Tuesdays and Thursdays leaves Maiden Newton Old School at 1000 and returns from Trinity Street at 1300. Ring before 15.00 on Monday or Wednesday to book. These buses will start from Cattistock Square by request at booking. Fares £2.50 single £5 return.

Dorset Community Transport (01258 287980), a private company, offer 2 services from Maiden Newton each week and a third on the first Thursday. To use any of these services you must be registered with the Company and then book your seat, and arrange your pick up point, before 1430 on the day before you want to travel. The services are open to visitors and young people under the same conditions. Each adult return fare is £6 on all 3 services from 1 January 2020 but DCT is now able to accept the national concessionary bus pass on these services. All you need to do is to present your valid bus pass to the driver.

Every Wednesday to Dorchester The bus, from Broadwindsor to Dorchester, passes through Maiden Newton about 10.00. The return service leaves Trinity Street at 13.20. Ring by 14.30 on Tuesdays to book your seat and confirm your pick up point. The service will NOT operate on Wednesday 25 December or on Wednesday 1 January.

Thursday 2 January to Yeovil The bus leaves the Dorchester Road stop at 09.32 and the War Memorial at 09.34. The drop off point is close to M&S and the return service leaves from the same place at 12.30. Book by 14.30 on Monday 23 Dec to confirm your pick up point.

Every Friday to Bridport The bus leaves the War Memorial at 09.15 and the return service leaves Bridport about 12.30. Book by 14.30 on Thursdays and confirm your pick up point.

Bus time tables are available at the Maiden Newton and Cattistock Stores.

USE YOUR BUSES IF YOU WANT TO KEEP THEM

TRAINS from Maiden Newton to Dorchester and Weymouth

Monday to Friday

0756 1038 1138 1336 1642 1837 1943 2238

Saturday (times in bold from Waterloo and Salisbury via Yeovil Junction) 0753 1008 1034 1134 1335 1444 1636 1842 1935 2242

Sunday 1017 1130 1525 1937 2243

To Yeovil, Westbury. Bath and Bristol Monday to Friday 0553 0709 0914 1140 1338 1526 1748 2040

Saturday (times in bold to Waterloo and Salisbury via Yeovil Junction) 0705 0913 1136 1234 1336 1521 1718 1754 2046

Sunday 1127 1433 1635 1821 2034

Check timetable B1 pages 26-30, now available from No 64, the news agents and Coffee Shop. Upgrading works are due to take place on the line between Weymouth and Yeovil Pen Mill / Castle Cary during January, February and March 2020 to improve the services provided on this line.

Sat 25Jan & Sat1FebBuses to Weymouth 0635 0823 1108 1208 1408 1620 1722 1913 2010 2316

Buses to Yeovil Pen Mill 0635 0833 1055 1255 1440 1716 2030

Sun26Jan &Sun2FebBuses to Weymouth 1106 1220 1619 2032 2335

Buses to Yeovil Pen Mill 0833 1037 1338 1537 1733 1935

COUNTRY CAR SERVICE Rachel Clark (01300 320065) continues to take the bookings requesting help with transport to the surgery, hospital appointments, dentists or opticians or to visit close relatives or friends in hospital. Please try to give at least 48 hours notice. Sally Falkingham Maiden Newton and Frome Valley Parish Councils Transport Representative

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| ****Appendix 2********Council Resolution****That Maiden Newton Parish CouncilI) notes that the Local Electricity Bill  * aims to address the current situation, whereby the very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so,
* if made law, would make these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier’s operation and therefore empower councils, together with their communities, to sell locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, and
* would result in councils or community organisations that set up local renewable electricity companies receiving revenues that could be used to help fund local greenhouse gas emissions reduction measures and to help improve local services and facilities

II) accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by a cross-party group of 115 MPs during the 2017-19 Parliamentary session; and III) further resolves to write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at 8 Delancey Passage, Camden, London NW1 7NN or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing its support.  |

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| **Appendix 3** Comments WD/D/19/002698 CROCKWAY FARM, CROCKWAY, DT2 0BY (Retrospective) Maiden Newton Parish Council supports the application. Please see previous comments on the original application. WD/D/19/002738 Cattistock LodgeMaiden Newton Parish Council welcomes the application to convert the dilapidated residential dwelling into 7 units with the associated 3 new dwellings as enabling development.WD/D/19/002836 LAND WEST OF, CATTISTOCK ROAD, MAIDEN NEWTONOutline Planning Permission for this development of 9 houses, was given on 16th June 2017. and the developer claims there is compliance with the conditions of the S106 Agreement attached to the outline consent. Details are provided in the supporting statement and appendix 1, attached to this application. From the plans submitted, it appears that the development is further to the west than that approved in in June 2017. This needs to be checked and corrected where necessary.The Parish Council can not object to the development but must look at the proposals to make sure they will not lead to future problems for the village. The plans submitted for the layout claim to meet conditions 1,2,5,and 6. They show the details of the distribution of the houses and the layouts within each house: there are 2 versions for the 5 3 bedroomed houses and a different one for each of the 4 bedroomed ones. Each house will have at least one garage and a designated parking area.In the “Supporting Statement” there are photos, 7 &8, of garages/car ports/cycle/wheelie bin stores to be provided near the site entrance – where these are to be sited is not clear on the plans.Apparently heating is to be provided by LPG from a communal underground Calor gas tank. There is no mention of any use of solar heating or of the insulation to be provided within the houses. We ask how these new houses will fit in with the climate change initiatives now adopted for Dorset.Condition 6 relates to the access / highway construction details. These show that coloured concrete is to be used throughout. Concrete is not porous and there will inevitably be run off from these surfaces.Not all the sections in Appendix 1 have been completed. We are particularly concerned that the sections relating to surface water are to follow.(The experiences of flooding during the past weeks show how important it is to have plans in place for the management of surface water and we must ask for full details be provided as to how conditions 9 and 10 will be met. We do not need more surface water adding to the problems at the Church Road / Station Road junction. The Council is aware that the plans for the treatment of surface water was not given enough attention when Manor Farm Close was developed.).There is also the question of how the sewage disposal will be fitted into the village system. Again no information is provided.Neither is there information about the provision of street lighting only that the development will not be adopted by Dorset Council and a Management Company is being set up.Finally, we also need to consider the provisions of the s106 AgreementWith regard to the provisions of the s106 Agreement it is confirmed that the developer will be bound by those provisions and intends to comply with its provisions as follows:- 1.      The developer will make a payment for off site Affordable housing provision as required by Schedule 3 Clause 1 of the Agreement Where will this money be spent?2.      The developer will submit a scheme for the management of the Public Open Space to the Council (and indeed the applicants agent has already made preliminary contact with the Clerk to the Parish Council in that regard.)  |

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