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Minutes of a Council Meeting held on Tuesday 4th June 2024 at the Thorncombe Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr's J Higgs (Chairman), M Stead (Vice-Chairman) A Hiscock, P Basham, J Fox and W Luty-Wells.

In Attendance:-The Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe), Cllr S Christopher (Dorset Council) and two members of the public

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033	Apologies for Absence No apologies received.
034	Declaration of Interest under the Code of Conduct No declarations, under the Code of Conduct were made at this stage of the meeting.
035	Minutes of the Previous Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on the 14 th May 2024, having been previously circulated, were adopted as a true record and were signed by the chairman
036	Matters Arising from the Minutes It was noted that all members had sent In their Register of interest; and it was displayed on the Dorset website.
037	Council Surgery No issues raised. Agreed an item be placed in parish magazine stating when next surgery would take place. Next surgery 28 th June at 10.30am
038	Democratic Period No items under this heading.
039	Accounts for Payment The following accounts were ratified: PAYE £252.59, Dial Grass Cut £285.00, Thorncombe Village Hall £40.00, Huggo Fox Ltd £23.99 (D/D), Arthur J

	Gallagher Insurance Brokers Limited £1,417.66 and Thorncombe Sports and Social Club £185.00
040	<p>Financial Update</p> <p>Resolved that £5703 be transferred from general reserves to an earmarked account for repairs and renewals. Noted that the insurance policy had been renewed. Cllr Fox agreed to look at the policy and report back to a future meeting. Financial Assets as of 3rd June 2024 was £20,677.30. There would be a Vat refund of £894.30 when the return was made to HMRC later this week. Resolved that the £200 agreed to be paid for tree works in the churchyard would be taken from the Cemetery/Churchyard cost centre.</p>
041	<p>Dorset Councillor Report</p> <p>No advanced report submitted because no decisions had yet been made by the new Dorset Council. Cllr Christopher stated that there were likely to be more evening meetings to accommodate younger members who were working. Car park charges are to be reviewed.</p>
042	<p>Footpath Issues.</p> <p>Footpath 48: This was a simple diversion to a diversion plan already agreed. The small amendment was accepted.</p> <p>Footpath 93: a report had been received from our footpath officer, however it was agreed that further investigation needed to take place. Resolved that an inspection would be made and the clerk advised of their recommendations.</p>
043	<p>Bus Services</p> <p>No report</p>
044	<p>Community Shop</p> <p>Trade reported to be slightly up. Kitchen units to be replaced.</p>
045	<p>Allotments</p> <p>No issues reported</p>
046	<p>Playfield</p> <p>Cllr Fox had inspected playfield and reported that there were puddles by the swings. Some items from the redundant castle still need dealing with. ROSPA inspection due over the next few weeks. Agreed to look into having a wild flower area in the future.</p>
047	<p>Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils</p>

	Clerk had circulated a link to members which would enable them to receive the regular newsletter direct rather than the clerk forwarding it.
048	Police and Neighbourhood Watch No issues
049	Highways It was agreed that the visit by Blair Turner had been very useful. The clerk had thanked him and requested a parish tour of problem areas. Blair had agreed that but wanted just one representative. Agreed that Cllr Mike Stead would be our representative.
050	Possible One Way System It was felt that there had been little interest shown in this idea, therefore it was agreed not to pursue it further.
051	Planning P/CLE/2024/02783 Brimble Cottage, Holditch Lane, Holditch. Certificate of Lawfulness to continue as residential dwelling without agricultural occupancy condition. The application was noted.
052	Correspondence Relevant correspondence circulated via email to members
053	Closing of Meeting The meeting was closed at 8.50pm
054	Next Meeting Tuesday 2 nd July 2024 at 7.30pm

Signed ----- Chairman

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