ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Full Council
Minutes of the Meeting Held in the Village Hall, Braeside Road,
on Wednesday 26th April 2023 at 7pm

Present: Cllr JB Parker, Chair

Cllr A Davies Cllr B Goringe Cllr M Goringe Cllr JW Parker

Cllr C Johnson Cllr K Gawler Cllr M Dyer

In attendance: Mr. Jonathan Ross, Parish Clerk

Public Open Forum: None

264. Pecuniary Interests: No pecuniary interests were declared.

265. Apologies: Apologies were received from: Cllr B Waugh, Cllr N Hindmarch, Cllr S Marshall and Cllr R Bryan. Members voted to accept apologies from the councillors listed. Proposed by Cllr JW Parker, seconded by Cllr M Goringe. Agreed.

RESOLVED: That the apologies from the Councillors listed were accepted.

266. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29th March 2023. The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr A Davies, seconded by Cllr JW Parker. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29th March 2023 were adopted.

267. Matters arising from the minutes:

- 267.1. Support Grant for Ukrainian Families Hosted in St Leonards and St Ives Parish. Members had previously approved a £400 one off grant for the families hosted in this parish. The Clerk has contacted a Ukrainian help group based in Ringwood to get advice on how best to spend this money. They have recommended that the families would benefit from receiving English language tutoring. The Clerk will now liaise with the help group to arrange for the funds to pay for language tutoring.
- **267.2.** Request for 20mph Speed Limit on Braeside Road. The Clerk has completed an online request form for a 20mph speed limit to be introduced on Braeside Road. The PC now awaits feedback from Dorset Council.
- **267.3.** Feasibility of Creating a Pavement on Horton Road near the Footpath Exit by Horton Rec. The Clerk has discussed this with the Dorset Council road safety manager. His guidance is that a pavement in that area would not be considered a high priority. Therefore, it may not attract funding to be carried out. The PC will still make an official request for the works.
- **267.4. Bus Services to this Parish.** The Clerk liaised with Cllr R Bryan on how this initiative could be taken forward. Cllr R Bryan is to arrange a meeting with the relevant Cllrs and officers from Dorset Council to discuss

this and identify next steps. Cllr M Goringe said she has been canvassing residents and indications are that there is a need for an improved bus service. It was recommended that a consultation to obtain views from all residents should be undertaken. This could take the form of a leaflet drop and could include a consultation on possible future projects.

267.5. Working Group – Use of Braeside Park. The Clerk is to convene a second working group meeting for group members to discuss the signage wording.

268. Correspondence to be noted:

Dog Related Public Space Protection Orders. The Clerk briefed members on correspondence received from Dorset Council Environmental Protection team concerning their public consultation on new dog related PSPOs on land under our control. Members agreed that a PSPO should be requested for Braeside Park and instructed the Clerk to complete the application paperwork. Proposed by Cllr B Goringe, Seconded, by Cllr JW Parker. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is to apply to Dorset Council for a Public Space Protection Order for Braeside Park.

269. Finance:

269.1. Payment Schedules. Members reviewed and approved the schedule of payments for April 2023. A copy of the schedule appears at Appendix A to these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr K Gawler, seconded by Cllr A Davies. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The schedule of payments for April 2023 was approved.

269.2. Bank Reconciliations. Members reviewed and approved the bank reconciliation for March 2023. A copy of the reconciliation appears as Appendix B to these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr K Gawler, seconded by Cllr A Davies. Agreed.

RESOLVED. The bank reconciliation for March 2023 was approved.

269.3. CIL Funds. The Clerk informed members that the PC has received a further payment of £20,454.68 CIL funds from Dorset Council.

270. Clerks Report:

- **270.1. Signs at the Entrance to the Village Hall Complex.** The Clerk briefed members on the current signage at the entrance to the Village Hall complex. He confirmed that he will write to the Bowls Club to confirm future signage arrangements.
- **270.2. Proposed Environmental Policy.** The Clerk presented an amended draft Environmental Policy for members to discuss. Members approved the policy. Proposed by Cllr M Goringe, seconded by Cllr C Johnson. Agreed. **RESOLVED: That the draft Environmental Policy be adopted.**
- **271.** Coronation Day Community Clean. Members were keen to embrace King Charles request that as part of his coronation celebrations communities could embark on a neighborhood cleanup. The PC will use social media to encourage

residents to tidy and clean up the immediate areas around where they live. In addition, the Clerk will promote litter picking in the area and build on the success achieved so far by the volunteers who currently litter pick.

- **272.** Calendar of Meetings. The Clerk produced the calendar of meetings for the forthcoming year. This will be placed on the website.
- **273.** Brief Reports from Dorset Council Members. Members received a joint report on Dorset Council business from Cllr B Goringe. A copy of which can be found at Appendix C in the minute book.

274. Parish Councillor Reports.

- **274.1.** Cllr A Davies briefed members on his attendance at the recent Homewatch AGM. There is concern over the declining membership of Homewatch.
- **274.2.** Cllr A Davies briefed members that he was part of the Speedwatch team that monitored the Ringwood Road Service Road last Friday. He said that in 1 hour, 87 vehicles were registered, of which 8 were recorded as speeding. In several cases speeds of up to 47mph were recorded. The Service Road has a 30mph limit.
- **274.3.** Members discussed the recent emergency warning message that has been promoted by the government. They requested the Clerk review the PCs Emergency Plans to make sure they are fit for purpose.
- 274.4. Several Councilors have been made aware by residents of the nuisance that transporting large portable homes on Horton Road is causing. Several serious incidents recently have highlighted the dangers caused by the transporting of these homes, which are manufactured on the Woolsbridge Industrial Estate. The Clerk was requested to contact the firm and ask if the homes could be transported during silent hours, thereby avoiding heavy traffic during the day.
- **275.** Amenities. The new play park gate has arrived and will be installed soon.
- **276.** Climate Change. No matters were discussed.

277. Exchange of Information.

- 277.1. The Clerk informed members that contributions made by residents attending the Warm Hub totaled £460.92. This money has been donated to the Ringwood Foodbank. The foodbank has helped 243 adults and 80 children living in St Leonards and St Ives parish in the past year.
- **277.2.** Next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 24th May 2023.

Meeting finished at 8pm

Chair