

**MINUTES OF BRANKSOME PARK, CANFORD CLIFFS & DISTRICT  
RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2013 AT  
7.30PM IN THE LOUNGE, BRANKSOME ST. ALDHELM'S PARISH CENTRE**

**PRESENT:** John Sprackling (JS) Chairman  
 Keith Alcroft (KA) Planning Officer  
 Carol Parkin (CP) Secretary  
 John Gunton (JG) Magazine Editor  
  
 Cllr Mrs May Haines (MH) Ward Councillor  
  
 Approx. 8 Members/Wardens

**1. APOLOGIES AND ACCURACY OF MINUTES ACTION**

JS welcomed all those present and Cllr Mrs May Haines. **JS**  
**Apologies:** Apologies received from Terry Stewart & Roy Pointer  
**Accuracy:** JS said that he would sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 13 MARCH 2013.

**2. MATTERS ARISING**

**Poole Pottery/Old Orchard/Quay Thistle Hotel sites update:** JS reported... **JS**

1. Quayside (former Dolphin Quays) development – The Poole Quay Boat Haven is to be the subject of a Judicial Review at Royal Courts of Justice at 10,00am on 24 May 2013.
2. Former Poole Pottery & Swan Inn site – No new developments
3. Quay Thistle Hotel site – ditto
4. Old Orchard House – a developer contribution of £52,278.36 was due on 25/04/13 and is being pursued.
5. Land at West Quay Road – No new developments

**Planning Enforcement, TPOs/Tree replacements – update:**

Victoria Education Centre (Landscaping to the new entrance) – No new developments

Heavytree Road (Unauthorized felling of the 12m Scots pine as reported in the Daily Echo dated 23/06/10)– The Council is still waiting to see if the defendant is going to progress his appeal against sentence and confiscation only.

**Community Working Group (CWG):** TS attended meeting held earlier in the day and will report at next meeting. **TS**

**Council Budget 2012/13 & Council's Budget Monitoring report:** Nothing to report. **WM**

**Public Rights of Way**

Westminster Road end of Dalkeith Road – No new developments.

Buccleuch Road to Lakeside Road – ditto **JS/RD**

Bessborough Road – ditto

Footpaths 82/128 (at the rear of 48 Panorama Road to the small beach) and 85 (Adjacent to 2A Shore Road – The Council has created a new reserve to fund the cost of outstanding external legal costs related to these two objected Path Orders. Both have been referred to the Planning Inspectorate and £19,000 has been allocated in the current year.

**Pinecliff Gardens (Sunken garden):** No new developments. **WH**

**Branksome Chine Gardens, Branksome Park Woods, Pinecliff Gardens, Martello Woods & Beach Road Woodland Management Plan 2001-2011** – No new developments. **No further action**

**Poole Council's Efficiency Review Programme (ERP):** The Council Efficiency and Effectiveness Overview and Scrutiny Committee planned for 23 May 2013 has been postponed to 10 June 2013. Members are due to receive reports on the Corporate Property Strategy & Corporate Asset Management Plan. **ACTION JS**

MH said that there was still a lot of work to do on this and the report is still being written.

MH added that Mark Gollop had taken over from Alan Leeson as the Committee Clerk for this Committee.

**Localism Act/Community Engagement:** At its meeting on Tuesday (23/04/13), the Council approved the procedures relating to a number of community rights.. **JS/TS**

- Neighbourhood Planning and Community Right to Build, covering the community infrastructure
- Community Right to Challenge, covering services to the community
- Community Right to Bid, covering assets of community value

**Navitas Bay Offshore Wind Farm** – In the absence of Roy Pointer, JS reported that the PBCA Steering Group are meeting on 21 May 2013. **RP**

JS also mentioned the Dorset Coastal Forum (DCF) Navitus Bay Wind Park Seminar on 6th June 2013 09:30- 13:30 at the Lighthouse, Poole.

The meeting will offer the DCF membership the opportunity to learn about all aspects of the proposed Navitus Bay Windfarm in order to develop a clear understanding of what is proposed and the potential social, economic and environmental opportunities and impacts. Speakers include Alan MacDonald from Architech, author of 'Windfarm Visualisations Perception or Perspective', David Mudie, Highland Council and David Haughian, Lead Officer for Walney Offshore Windfarm, Cumbria County Council

This event is for Dorset Coast Forum members only.

**Road Safety concerns Lindsay Road/St Aldhelm's Road Junction & Lower end of Wilderton Road:** An inaugural Community Speed Watch public meeting is being held on Wednesday 19th June, at the Holy Angels Church Hall, Lilliput Road at 7pm. This clashes with the next Canford Cliffs & Penn Hill Area Committee meeting. **PT**

If anyone cannot attend the meeting but is interested in becoming a CSW Team Volunteer or CSW Team Co-ordinator, they can register their interest directly with PC Jane Newcombe.

**Sustaining Poole's Seafont (Formerly Seafont Beach Master Plan DPD):** JS reported that Cllr Elaine Atkinson and Cllr Judy Butt have received advice from the Borough Solicitor regarding the Poole Corporation Act 1986 and hope to sign off the decision in the next week or two. **JS**

William Mutlow expressed his concerns about the presentation at the Association's recent AGM.

Firstly, in regard to the £7m needed, the word 'ring fencing' was never used in terms of generating this money. As the beach area is 'the Jewel in the Crown' of Poole for both residents and visitors, and if so important for future generations, WM is concerned that no money towards its upkeep has been ring-fenced by Poole Council.

Secondly, in his comments on one of the sites by the Head of Planning & Regeneration, made no reference to the number of storeys. Some ten years ago, the former Head of Planning & Design sought to limit the height of buildings to no

more than three storeys, but now seven storeys are acceptable. WM's concern is where is this going to end up?

**ACTION**

**Chairman's note:** Extract from item in Daily Echo dated 09/05/13

"...Improvements are being carried out at some of the beach toilets in Poole to ensure they are ready for the summer season.

Loos at both Branksome Chine car park and Branksome Chine Promenade are having a new power supply connected following an electrical fault at the start of the year.

The car park toilets are still open but the promenade toilets are closed, however visitors can also use those at Canford Cliffs promenade.

Work is also being carried out to old single pumps along the prom, which have a high risk of failure at peak times, after members allocated £250,000.

Branksome Dene Chine toilets are closed until May 24 while a new pumping station is built. Temporary toilets are available for anyone booked into the community room.

A new pumping station is also being built close to toilets at Flaghead Chine. Work began on April 20 and it is hoped the toilets will only be closed May 20-24."

**Proposed SSE Sub-station in Links Road:** No new developments

**JG**

**Membership recruitment drive:** JS said that the delivery of the Spring 2013 magazines via the Royal Door-to-door service did not prove to be an unqualified success. It has been reported to JS that, in two cases, magazines were delivered to blocks of flats as a single item, rather than to each individual flat and magazines were not delivered to number of addresses.

**JS**

The Association has received an apology from the Customer Services Dept and an offer of £50.00 as a gesture of goodwill. It was agreed that the Association should ask for £200.

**Waste collection:** JS said that this was debated at last Thursday's Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting.

MH said that it had been decided not to change the current situation where refuse will not be collected over the Christmas and New Year period. This period of non-collection will change each year as the dates for Christmas and New Year change and thus the same residents will not be affected all of the time. May went on to say that when she has the dates of the collections for 2013 she will do her best to publicise them, as well as dates being available on the BoP website and in the Poole News; perhaps the Minutes of this Association and the various Notice Boards.

### **3 NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT -**

KA reported

**18A St Clair Road** (*Demolish existing building and erect 1 No 4 bed detached house with integral garage - Revised scheme*) – Application granted by Planning Committee at its meeting on 21 March 2013.

**KA**

#### Other current planning issues

Puss n Boots Nursery 2 Lindsay Road (*Partial Change of Use of 1st floor of premises from residential to nursery and increase the maximum number of children attending from 28 to 40*) – Application has been 'Red-carded' and Association lodged letter of objection on 10/04/13.

#### **7 Wilderton Road**

(a) Demolition of the existing block of 6 flats and the construction of a new block of 7 flats with basement car parking, accessed from Balcombe Road) – Application registered on 29/10/12 and still a current application.

& (b) Demolition of the existing garages and the construction of a detached dwelling

house with integral double garage – Application granted by Planning Committee at its meeting on 21 March 2013. **ACTION**

4. **ACCOUNTS TO DATE** – JS reported that the total Association funds as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013 amounted to £33,660.09 **JS**

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Norfolk Lodge 1 Flaghead Road – Concern was expressed about the dilapidated state of this building and MH promised to investigate. **No further action**

**Chairman's note:** MH spoke to Planning Officer who confirmed that work has officially commenced on this site. The relevant documents are available to view on the BoP website. Work officially commenced on 13/04/2010

There was no other AOB and the meeting closed at 8.20pm

**Date of next Meeting:** The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at Committee Room (formerly Lounge), Rear of Branksome St Aldhelms Parish Centre (Access via Lindsay Road) **All**

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