

## Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Council Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 at 7.30 pm in Poyntington Village Hall

The following were present: Councillors Perryman, Lacey, Simnett, Stubbs, Wheadon, Dorset Cllr Legg and the Clerk.

25.26 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Dillon

25.27 **Declarations of interest:** None

25.28 **The minutes of the meeting held 1st of May 2025** were confirmed and signed.

25.29 **Matters arising:** None

25.30 **Adjournment Session:**

Cllr Legg gave the meeting updates on a number of issues:

- Goathill drain: It is expected that this will be dealt with during the upcoming road closure.
- Solar Farm at Wyke: Dorset Council's screening opinion is that an Environmental Impact Assessment is required. It is anticipated that this will delay the application by up to one year. The planned access route to the site may also be affected by proposed road layout changes on the A30.
- Mobile phone mast: No further progress. Awaiting results of talks with landowners.
- Booking system for Household Recycling Centres: There will be a further meeting about this in the coming days.

25.31 **The financial report for the year 2025-26** to date was received and accepted. Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary: £336.10, HMRC £62.40, Poyntington Village Hall £20 hall hire, DAPTC £47.75 Domain hosting, DAPTC £197.50 Annual subscription, Milborne Port Computers £24 IT support.

25.32 **Planning Matters**

**Planning matters dealt with since the last meeting for approval or to be decided at this meeting are in bold:**

Name	Details /Reference	Status
New Barton Farmhouse Marston Road Sherborne	P/PAPA/2025/02320 Renew agricultural vehicular access track from Hardings Hse Lane.	Information only Prior approval not required
Land At Wyke Farm Wyke Sherborne	P/ESC/2025/02279 Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Opinion	Information only PC request for EIA Decision: EIA required
Patson Hill Farm Patson Hill Lane Trent	P/FUL/2025/02046 Erection of extension to the south-west of the building. Change of use of part of the building from general industrial (B2 Use) to Sui Generis to accomodate an ancillary sampling room, to include toilets, bar & keg store Creation of additional parking area.	No objection subject to access for increased number of vehicles is fully considered.
The Dairy Farm Lower Boyston Lane Osborne	P/PAEW2/2025/01745 Excavation to form an extension to an existing agricultural dirty water lagoon.	Information only Prior approval granted

Mushroom Farm Cow Lane Poyntington	P/FUL/2022/02416 Erect 2 No. dwellings (Class C3), new vehicular accesses and associated works. Demolish existing agricultural buildings and polytunnels.	Objection Refused 16.07.24 Appeal Objection Awaiting decision

25.33 **Local Plan Event:** Cllrs Lacey and Perryman both intend to attend on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

25.34 **Proposed new solar farm at Wyke:** See adjournment session.

25.35 **Highways Issues:**

- a. B3145 junction with Clatcombe Lane: Cllr Simnett will meet with the Road Safety Officer and Sign Shop representative to adjust the position of the new mirror on July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Fingerposts: The damaged posts in Poyntington and Goathill have been repaired using oak donated by Cllr Perryman. Cllr Buckland asked the clerk to thank her husband for making and installing the new fingers.
- c. Poyntington issues: Residents have reported that water is emerging from under the road and running across the surface before draining into the stream. This has been going on for some time and has been reported to Dorset Highways directly by one of the residents and the parish council. There are signs that Highways are about to make some surface repairs to the road and pavement in other parts of the village.

25.36 **Mobile signal improvement:** See adjournment session.

25.37 **Neighbourhood Plan, update:** Government funding for plan preparations has been withdrawn. Sherborne Town Council may decide to cover this from its own funds.

25.38 **Request from Sherborne Castle Estates for double yellow lines on New Road:** Following an email from the clerk, Rolly Skeats has chased up the proposed H white lines to be painted in front of the gates.

25.39 **Collapsed drains south side of the bridge in Goathill:** See adjournment session.

25.40 **Dorset Council plan to introduce a booking system for the Sherborne Household Recycling Centre:** The council believes this is likely to increase fly tipping, is unlikely to save much money and will be detrimental to community levels of recycling. It was agreed that the council should write and ask Dorset Council to reconsider the plan.

25.41 **Parish Council laptop support and backup:** The clerk had received support for an email issue from Milborne Port Computers. The council agreed to pay the invoice. The council also agreed to take a subscription at £1.99 per month to cover increased Onedrive backup storage.

25.42 **Items for the next Agenda:** A30 Osborne junction.

25.43 **Dates of future meetings:**

4 September, Osborne

6 November, Poyntington

**The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.**

