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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Thorncombe Village Hall on Tuesday 1st July 2014 commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr's J Higgs (Chairman), S Dunford, S Welford, R Peacock, M Stead and N Higgins

In Attendance:-The Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe) , Cllr D Turner (Dorset County Council) , PCSO L White and five members of the public.

1041	Apologies An apology was received from Cllr R Arnold (away). Resolved to accept this apology. An apology was also received from Cllr M Robinson (West Dorset District Council).
1042	Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct None received
1043	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on the 3 rd June 2014 were adopted as a true record and were signed by the chairman.
1044	Matters Arising Nil
1045	Police & Neighbourhood Watch There had been two crimes, a padlock had been cut at Forde Abbey and a catalytic convertor had been stolen

1046	Democratic Period It was understood that the Rights of Way Committee at Dorset County Council would be discussing footpath 48 on the 10 th July
1047	County and District Councillor's Reports There is a new one stop advice centre. There are a series of roadshows being run regarding budget spending. There is a social care consultancy regarding the Bridport area taking place at present. A service review is also taking place.
1048	Highways Hedge trimming has commenced. A gritbin at Holditch had been badly damaged by contractors. Cllr Turner would contact Dave Maunder with the idea of having it replaced. Disappointment that work at Stonelake had not been dealt with, however it was now understood that it would be done by the end of July.
1049	Councillors' Report The Village Hall AGM would take place on the 21 st July Transport: Still awaiting report regarding the design of the gateway and also the traffic report Community Transport: The bid had been submitted so that the parish council can officially take it over. A meeting was being arranged with the present drivers, with the hope that more volunteers will come forward. Neighbourhood Plan: The clerk asked if anyone would represent Thorncombe at the next meeting of the Neighbourhood plan so that they could decide if Thorncombe wished to become involved in the Marshwood Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Higgs agreed to represent the council at that meeting.
1050	Finance The following accounts were agreed for payment: Thorncombe Community Shop £47.34(1188), Thorncombe Village Hall £44.00(1189), CPRE £29.00 (1190), HMRC PAYE £185.40 (185.40), CAB £100 (1192). Insurance: Following criticism from the Community Shop the clerk explained that the insurance held by the council was one of the ones recommended for councils and included regular newsletters highlighting the sorts of problems that could be encountered in councils. The insurance payments for the shop may appear higher because we have to charge them Vat because we are passing on a service; however the shop of course has the ability to claim that back. Whilst the shop may have received a cheaper quotation for the building insurance no information had been provided to see if it was a like for like quotation. The auditors had stated that they would not be happy for the shop to provide their own insurance because it was the duty of the landowner to ensure that the premises are insured. The clerk made the point that as far as insurance was concerned it is not always the best policy to go for the cheapest policy. The present policy would be for three years, for which we had received a small discount. Audit: The clerk informed the meeting that our internal auditor had broken her hand and was unable to deal with our audit at present. There is a need to get the audit dealt with as soon as possible so that the external audit can be completed. Resolved that the clerk be given permission to find an internal auditor for this audit.
1051	Planning WD/D/14/001066 Hollway Crescent, Venn Hill, Synderford. New shed and oil tank: Resolve to recommend support

	<p>WD/D/14/001473 and WD/D/14/001474 Coggans Farm, Lower Holditch: Extension and alteration of period farmhouse. Conversion of barn and lean to. Glass extension of SE single storey lean to. Resolve to recommend support.</p> <p>WD/D/14/001473 Coggans Farm, Lower Holditch: Extension and alterations of farmhouse. Resolve to recommend support</p> <p>Determinations: WD/D/14/000550 Southcombe, Laymore: Swimming Pool. Approved</p>
1052	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Letter from Dorset County Council regarding modification order for footpath 48. Meeting 10th July. Cllr S Welford would hope to attend. It was noted that the meeting is looking for evidence not support.</p> <p>Access Dorset Newsletter: Noted</p>
1053	<p>Next Meeting: Tuesday 2nd September 2014 at 7.30pm</p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Tuesday 2nd September 2014 at 7.30pm</p>