# Chairman's Report June 2021.

I have had a conversation with Mrs Julia Smith (as requested) regarding any plans Edmondsham Estate may have for the future. She has confirmed that the plans Edmondsham estate were hoping to carry out, mainly on the redundant buildings at Barnfield, have been put on hold at the moment.

I attended a zoom meeting with DATPC on rural broadband coverage. Full details of this was sent to all the councillors. I will be attending a meeting on the revised Code of Conduct, prior to it being an agenda item at a future Parish Council meeting E Isaacs June 2021

# Clerk's Report – June 2021

#### **COVID - 19:**

1 prescription was collected and delivered in the time between PC meetings.

## **Bollards – Opposite Cranborne Middle School:**

- 1. Standard alligrini black and white plastic post with reflectors in verge per unit
- 2. Timber looking plastic posts with red/white reflectors per unit (bonus is wont rot)
- 3. Real Timber post with red/white reflector per unit

The cost to supply and erect one number Vergemaster bollard in the verge with an ST2 Concrete footing including standard give and take traffic management and control would be £ 200.00 only excluding vat.

The cost to supply and erect one number Glenwood bollard with a retroreflective band in the verge with an ST2 Concrete footing including standard give and take traffic management and control would be £ 312.00 only excluding vat.

The cost to supply and erect one number Broxap timber BX17 bollard with a retroreflective band (equivalent to Furnitubes) in the verge with an ST2 Concrete footing including standard give and take traffic management and control would be £ 293.00 only excluding vat.

With regard to how many are required, usually we would be looking at every 4 to 5 metres (which is the distance they were placed at previously), it all depends what you want to do there, if you want to completely cover the verge from up from the school to Pennys Lane, this is about 230 metres in length, so it would be about 46 to 56 bollards.

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a. 56 \times £200 = £11,200
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b. 
$$56 \times £312 = £17,472$$

c. 
$$56 \times £293 = £16,408$$

The rough cost to instal bollards just outside the school down which is around 85-90 metres, spaced at every 4-5 metres, would roughly equate to the following:

a. 
$$18 \times £200 = £3,600$$

b. 
$$18 \times £312 = £5,616$$

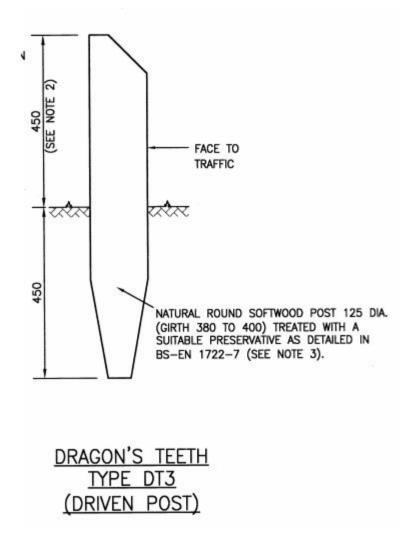
c. 
$$18 \times £293 = £5,274$$

I asked if tree trunks could be used instead, the reply is below:

We would not allow tree trunks to be placed on the verge, this would be a safety concern especially close to a school.

We would possibly allow dragons teeth (see specification below) but whether these would stop drivers, as they are prone to being driven over, these would be cheaper than the previous proposed bollards but have their downside, in that they rot fairly quickly.

Please see attached drawing



## Flood Risk update from Flood Risk Management - Dorset Council

A resident has written to us with concerns over silt and vegetation levels in the river Crane adjacent to Castle Street. I did pass through last week and in my opinion the current situation is not excessive or obstructing the flow of the watercourse, the rivers gravel bed is in good condition and the flow under the bridge is fine though likely somewhat constrained during high flow/high intensity rainstorm events.

The land owner the other side of the B3078 bridge has allowed the channel to become more vegetated through their land to slow the flow and this may be the reason for increased siltation levels upstream before the bridge.

#### **Eroding Footpath/Riverbank**

I have contacted Dorset Wildlife Trust for an update and to discuss grants – as of yet I have not had a reply.

## **Jubilee Gardens Lease**

I have eventually had a reply to my many emails and telephone calls:

I have passed on the proposed new lease for sign off by my Service Manager – as part of the LGA 1972 we have to obtain ratification by senior offices with delegated powers – this will then be passed to the legal team to prepare the lease. I will keep you updated with progress and do apologise for the length of time it has taken to get to this stage.

#### **BHIB Insurance**

I had a request from the Open Gardens Committee to use PC land for the open gardens weekend for stalls etc. In view of this, I rang our insurance company and below are their requirements of that ALL users need to have in place in order to use PC land.

Users need to produce their own RA, COVID-19 assessment, and have at least £10million in public liability insurance. The PC needs to do their own RA too. Highways need to be informed if there is the potential of people standing around in the road. The below points are also attached to the PC insurance policy.

- a) Police and Fire Brigade authorities must be consulted at least 7 days prior to the event, and again, their recommendations strictly adhered to
- b) There should be at least 1 steward in attendance for every 100 spectators for the duration of the event
- c) Qualified First Aid personnel must be in attendance with the means available to summon the Emergency Services
- d) All independent persons, owners of mechanically propelled vehicles and the owners of any animals must have their own Public Liability Insurance
- e) The Policyholder must ensure that all areas where events are to take place are suitable for their intended purpose

If the PC have a Christmas tree erected on their land the following applies (as well as the above):

The tree is to be erected by a competent person

- a) Electrical devices to be connected to mains supply by a qualified electrician with their own Public Liability Insurance
- b) If the tree is erected on land not owned by the Policyholder, the landowner concerned must have their own Public Liability Insurance
- c) The tree must be regularly inspected especially in cases of bad weather COVID-19 REGULATIONS OVERIDE ALL OF THE ABOVE

# **Finger Posts around Cranborne**

All fingerposts that had been identified as needing work have now been completed (this was done in time for the Open Gardens in June)

#### **Playarea**

The playarea repairs have been completed during the week commencing 07.06.2021.

# **Cecil Memorial Hall Report**

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With the first couple of the Lockdown Roadmap being successful, we now have the majority of the regular users back using hall.

The last step has been delayed to the 19th July, so the hall will be fully open then. We have taken a

couple of hires for meetings and gatherings and all hirers are aware of the restrictions in place and

the rules they need to follow.

Again, with the delays, the next meeting is now likely to be September. Hopefully nothing will

change between now and then!

Everything else is going well and the next stage of getting the hall tidy and 'up together' will be

taking place once the weather improves.

**Best Wishes** 

Rachel Flay