

e) **Fields in Trust** e mailed with details about The Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge launched by Prince William on 7th June. The project will be in tribute to The Queen to mark her Diamond Jubilee. Its aim is to have protected fields around the country by 2012 each named as "Queen Elizabeth II Field". The email was forwarded to members. After a short discussion the email was noted.

f) **The Hub.** Mrs. C. Sharples, Chairman responded to letters sent on 26th May and 14th July 2010 (Mins. 20/10 & 73/10(e) refers. The letter was copied to all members. This was noted.

91/10 The Report of the Plans Consultative Committee meeting held, 7th July 2010 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.
Concern was raised about the amount of retrospective planning applications being received. It was pointed out by a member of the East Dorset District Council Planning Committee that it was not illegal to go ahead with a build without planning approval but that in doing so there was a risk.

92/10 The Report of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held, 13th July 2010 as circulated was confirmed, adopted and signed.
Min. 84/10. Discussion took place on this recommendation regarding funding, the responsibilities of the Town Council as the lead partner and what technical help would be provided by East Dorset District Council. Following discussion a vote was taken and the recommendation was carried.
Min. 85/10. Discussion took place regarding the effectiveness of SIDs, the cost of insuring the machine and if volunteers were not forthcoming to move the SID around the locations, what would be the cost of employing our contractor to do so. After discussion it was agreed that this item be referred back to Finance and General Purposes Committee for further investigation.

93/10 [Report from the Mayor.](#)
The Mayor had attended various functions which included: the opening of the Verwood Country Bazaar in the Verwood Memorial Hall; a Veterans and National Armed Forces Day Parade and Service of Commemoration in Sherborne; a Chief Scout's Service Awards presentation evening; a function at the home of The High Sheriff of Dorset; The Ceremony of the Keys event in Portland; an open day at Cherry Tree Nursery; Ferndown Upper School Sixth Form Graduation; a concert by the Verwood Concert Brass; a visit to a couple who were celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary; the launch of New Forest Citizens Advice Bureau; a BBQ at Friends of St. Gabriels; the Three Legged Cross First School Leavers Service.

94/10 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.
a) **East Dorset CAB.** A short report was given on the retirement of Hilary Forest and an update on the new partnership with North Dorset.
b) **D.A.P.T.C. Larger Parishes and Towns Committee.** A report was given on the last meeting which included: a report from the Chief Executive on staffing, new Coalition Government measures to be implemented to reform the workings of Government, the 2011 Census and a one day conference he attended; a report from the Chairman on the re-launch of the Parish Maintenance units and the Lengthmans Scheme and funding issues; items from member councils.
c) **D.A.P.T.C. Eastern Area Committee.** A report was given on the last meeting which included information on: the new structure of the Community Partnership; East Dorset District Council's Corporate Plan 2010-2016; review of the Local Plan; the joint management structure with Christchurch; a campaign against fly-tipping; meetings between East Dorset, councillors and clerks with the Community Engagement Committee; items from member councils.

d) **Bournemouth International Airport.** A short report was given on passenger numbers and the cancellation of Ryanair's winter schedule.

e) **Verwood Memorial Hall.** A written report, which was circulated to all members, included information on: the Annual Meeting held on 8th July; that the new porch was nearing completion; fundraising; details of the sale of the Jubilee Book; bookings; the new weekly Country Bazaar; an update on the investigation into the damage to the rear of the Hall.

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Internet Councillor.

It was reported that the website had been updated and the Mayor was asked to provide her monthly Mayor's report to be put on the website.

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Press & P.R.Councillor.

It was reported that the Autumn edition of the Verwood Vista was due out at the end of August.

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Verwood Community Association.

A report had been circulated to all members which included information on: finances and that the financial statements were available to view at the Town Council offices; an update on Morrison's expansion plans; damage to play equipment at the play area in Potterne Park; discussions which had taken place between The Hub and The Leisure Centre regarding the possible merging of their facilities in the future; the suggestion put forward for re-naming Potterne Park

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Verwood Hub Community Association.

A report was given on the final Trustee meeting which included: confirmation that the Verwood Hub Community Association is now an incorporated company; information on the Treasurers Report; the Manager's Report covering economic efficiencies, membership, friends of The Hub Newsletter, business plan for staff and future projects. Questions were raised at the meeting regarding what provision would be made for reporting to the Town Council in the future and when would there be a representative to attend the Town Council to give updates and information of the future of the Hub. A short discussion took place regarding representation by the Town Council at the Hub and grant applications.

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Reports of the County & District Councillors.

County Councillor Spencer Flower. A report will be circulated to all members with information on: the Council's future financial challenges; details of the academy programme where schools will be offered the chance to take up academy status; the launch of a government backed programme to roll out a new community equipment provision in Dorset.

District Councillor P. Richardson. A report will be circulated to all members with information on: the new LGA Reputational Survey of the District Council; a residential survey to assess that Council services are still meeting the aspiration and needs on the community; the merging of the Revenues and Benefits Service; the agreement in principle of working in collaboration with a shared Chief Executive and Senior Management team between East Dorset District Council and Christchurch; the shared housing service with Christchurch which will go live towards the end of November; the launch of a 12 week period of public consultation on the Core Strategy, which will cover development in East Dorset for the next 16 years.

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Accounts

It was proposed and seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts totalling £10,075.39 for July were approved for payment.

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Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) It was reported that Age Concern Verwood were to take delivery of their new mini bus tomorrow and thanks were given to the Town Council for the grant aid awarded without which the purchase would not have been possible.
- b) A question was raised regarding Grant Aid accountability.
- c) An update was given on the fly-tipping in the River Crane at the Ebblake Industrial Estate and the erection of the bollards for the French Drain in Home Farm Road.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

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Mayor