

CB3 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held in the Cowie Room, Public Hall on Monday 12th May 2025 commencing at 2.00pm.

101 PRESENT: Cllr Dawkins (Chairman), Cllr Gunning, Mr Driscoll, Mr Roberts, Mr Snow, and Cllr Turner: also Christine Bright (Town Clerk).

102 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Ms Wallbridge.

103 MINUTES OF THE CB3 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14TH APRIL 2025

The minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 14th April 2025 having been circulated were confirmed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

104 MAINTENANCE ISSUES

The Town Clerk advised two quotations had been received for the regular maintenance and safety inspections, following due consideration **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Frys Commercials with effect from the next service due in June.

The Chairman advised a register of keys had been compiled, going forward keys and fuel card issued at the Council office will have to be signed in/out. **NOTED.**

105 TIMETABLE ADJUSTMENTS

Mr Roberts had previously circulated members with his second draft timetable for consideration as previously discussed to serve the more rural communities but including a reduced service to Bridport and only as far as Crewkerne train station.

Protracted discussion took place during which concerns were expressed that the timetable as circulated remained volunteer heavy, with the current difficulties in recruiting additional volunteers it was felt that the service should be reduced to one shift per day.

Discussion also incorporated suggestions that the bus might be better utilised by providing a 'ring n ride' type service that could be extended to day trips in addition to local shopping trips.

The discussion concluded with a number of points of action prior to the next meeting including a third draft timetable for one extended trip to Bridport taking in local villages and one return journey. The Town Clerk to ascertain from local villages as to whether there would possibly be a demand for the bus and to enquire of the Axe Valley and West Dorset Ring & Ride with regard to the introduction of a similar service.

106 VOLUNTEERS REPORT

No items were raised.

107 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No items were raised.

108 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place on Monday 16th June 2025.

Mr B Driscoll confirmed his decision to step down from the CB3 operation with effect from 25th May 2025. The Chairman, on behalf of the Town Council thanked Mr Driscoll for his most valuable input in helping to set up the CB3 service and its continued operation.

109 MEETING

The meeting which started at 2.00pm closed at 4.00pm.

Chairman
16th June 2025