

## WEARE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20th February 2018 in the Memorial Hall, Weare at 7.30pm.

**Present:** B. Quantrill (Chairman), K. Ham (Vice Chairman), M. Parrett, W. Andrews, I. Ham, T. Jones, A. Woollon.

**In Attendance:** J. Augustus (Clerk)

**18.2.1 To receive any apologies for absence** – County Councillor B. Filmer

**18.2.2 Police Report:**

Local Crime report for January

Burglary Res 3 (same as last month)

Burglary Bus & Com 1 (down 1 on last month)

Criminal Damage 10 (down 2 on last month) – Damage to vehicles

Theft from motor vehicle 1 (down 3 on last month)

Calls categorised as ASB 3 (1 down on last month)

There have been no planned car events organized in January in the Gorge, but police officers saw 20-30 cars in the gorge on a different night.

2 incidents of ASB.

**18.2.3 Public Participation if Appropriate** – A representative from Hood Archery was kindly available to answer questions put to her from Councillors relating to Planning Applications 49/18/0003 and 49/18/0004

**18.2.4 Declaration of Interests** – None

**18.2.5 Minutes of last meeting** – The minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were agreed and signed off by the Chairman

**18.2.6 Correspondence for Information Only** – Details were emailed to Councillors for information only.

**18.2.7 New Business**

- i. Annual Parish Meeting – To note that it was agreed by Members to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.30pm in The Memorial Hall.
- ii. General Data Protection (GDPR) – To note that the Members were given a brief introduction from the Clerk what the requirements are and what the Parish Council will be expected to do to abide by the new regulations.
- iii. CiLCA Course – The Clerk expressed a wish to take the Certificate in Council Administration (CiLCA) Course this year and that the cost of £250 would be split evenly between Berrow and Weare Parish Councils at a ratio of 20:4. The Members agreed that this was a good idea and the split was acceptable.
- iv. Annual General Meeting – Due to the current Chairman and the Clerk being absent on the usual date of the AGM it was agreed to change the date to the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

## 18.2.8 Planning

### i. Current Applications

**Re: 49/18/0002 – Dapsy Acre, Mill Lane, Stone Allerton, Axbridge**  
To note that the Members decided to fully support this application.

**Re: 49/18/0003 – On land to the East of Notting Hill Way, Weare, Axbridge**

To note that the Members decided not to support this application because of the following points:

- a) Access to the site is not safe as visibility is restricted.
- b) There is a lack of facilities for people to use the toilet and wash their hands.
- c) We are not happy for the building to be converted from an agricultural building into an Archery building.
- d) The planning application is too vague with too many unknowns regarding facilities.

**Re: 49/18/0004 - On land to the East of Notting Hill Way, Weare, Axbridge**

To note that this application is in relation to the planning application 49/18/0003 and so the same observations apply.

**Re: 49/18/0005 – Milepost, Turnpike Road, Lower Weare, Axbridge**

To note that the Members support this application as long as everything relating to the stone post is put back as it was.

**Re: 49/17/00020 – Dapplewood Cottage, Coombe Lane.**

To note that the application is superseded from the previous application. To note on this basis the Members decided that there wasn't any evidence from the information given of any differences and therefore could not support the application

ii. **Matters Dealt with by Delegation** – None

iii. **Matters Dealt with by Sedgemoor District Council**

**Re: 49/18/01 – Eaglehurst, Turnpike Road, Lower Weare**  
**Erection of a detached dwelling – No decision as yet**

**Re: 49/17/00021 – Badgworth Barns, Notting Hill Way, Weare.**  
**Erection of dwelling – Went to Committee on the 15.2.18, but no decision as yet.**

**Re: 49/17/00023 – Greystone Yard, Notting Hill Way, Weare.**  
**Proposed alterations to landscaping works including replacement of bund with hedges and levelling of ground – No decision as yet.**

iv. **Other Planning Items** – None

**18.2.9 Reports**

**County Councillor** - There was no report from the County Councillor B. Filmer.

**Footpaths** – Nothing to report.

**SALC** – It was decided by the Members not to renew the SALC Membership this year.

**Highways** - Cllr B. Andrews has reported again that the bottom of Notting Hill Way is still flooding on the left-hand side of the road even though Somerset Highways have been out to see to it. The Clerk is to write to Somerset Highways to consider further clearing of the drains and gullies.

Cllr M. Parrett also expressed concern over the same stretch of road and the over-hanging of trees into the road as there was an accident with a tractor along this stretch of road, which could have been very serious. The Clerk to write to the Landowner to get them cut back.

Cllr I. Ham wanted to bring to the Council's attention the general state of the roads around Weare and that if we are not careful that they will turn back into dirt tracks.

Cllr B. Quantrill reported that there was also flooding on the left-hand side of the road opposite the Wind Mill at Chapel Allerton. The Clerk will contact Chappel Allerton Clerk to discuss.

Cllr B. Quantrill also reported water running across the road on the double bends at The Wheatsheaf Inn – Clerk to report to Somerset Council Highways.

Cllr T. Jones reported that the SV post across the road from the Village Hall needs to be repaired as it is currently being tied together by tie wraps – Clerk to report to Sussex Water.

**WWW & The Coombe** – Cllr A. Woollon has been up The Coombe to clear the Gully.

**Neighbourhood Watch** – Cllr B. Andrews reported that there had been some fly-tipping by the common gateway, which he has reported to Sedgemoor District Council and they have cleared it.

**Farm Watch** – Nothing to report.

**Cllr I. Ham left the meeting**

**Other Reports**

Memorial Hall Notice Board – To note that Cllr B. Quantrill has this in hand to be repaired.

Cemetery Noticeboard – To note that the Clerk has taken it down to get it repaired.

**18.2.10 Financial Matters**

(i) **New Items** – None

(ii) **Income** – £80.00 Burial Reservation  
£120.00 Burial Interment

**(iii) To approve payment of the following**

By Electronic Payment – None

By Cheque – £200.00 Grant to The Contact Magazine  
£75.00 Hire of The Memorial Hall

**(iv) Balances**

**Current Account - £1,687.09**

**Reserve Account - £3,193.52**

**18.2.11 Items for Information or inclusion in next meeting – None**

**18.2.12 Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

Meeting closed at 9.35pm