

WEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th December 2018 in the Memorial Hall, Weare at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors B. Quantrill (Chairman), K. Ham (Vice Chairman), M. Parrett, I. Ham, W. Andrews, and T. Jones.

In Attendance: County Councillor B. Filmer, J. Augustus (Clerk) + 1 Guest

18.12.1 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IF APPROPRIATE

Guest expressed an interest in assisting the Council on the Rights of Way documentation that has been sent to all Parishes in Somerset. After discussions, it was agreed that this would be dealt with by the Council, but the Council thanked the Guest for their interest and support.

18.12.2 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

To note that apologies were received from Councillor A. Woollon.

TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TO CONSIDER THE GRANTING OF DISPENSATIONS, AS REQUIRED

None Declared.

18.12.3 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20th NOVEMBER 2018

The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on the 20th November 2018 were amended approved and signed by the Chairman.

18.12.4 POLICE Report:

Local Crime report for November was distributed and noted. Request for Areas to be included in the report.

18.12.5 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

To note that all correspondence was emailed to Councillors.

(i) Somerset Rights of Way

It was agreed that this be deferred until the next meeting.

18.12.6 NEW BUSINESS

Relocation of Footpaths

To discuss the relocation of footpath AX26/24 and AX26/48. It was agreed not to support the relocation of the footpaths.

Somerset Rights of Way

To discuss the email from Jake Taylor, Volunteer and Trails Officer from County over the Parish Paths. It was agreed to defer this item until the next meeting.

18.10.6 (ii) Old Coach Road and Turnpike Road – Seat to be moved

To note that the Clerk has not yet received confirmation from Somerset Council as to the ownership of the current seat and permission to relocate the new seat.

Marmax recycled products have sent a quotation. It was agreed that the Clerk contact Liam Gill from Somerset Highways to check the ownership of the land to which the seat is being relocated.

Village Hall Noticeboard – Clerk to get noticeboard repaired.

To note that the Noticeboard has been repaired and has been erected. Noted.

Budget – To agree the budget for 2019/20.

Spreadsheet of the budget was emailed to all Members. Budget and Precept agreed by Full Council. Proposed by Councillor I. Ham and Seconded by Councillor K. Ham.

County Councillor B. Filmer left the meeting.

(i) 18.12.7 PLANNING

Current Applications

49/18/00030 – Ivy House, Weare Road, Stone Allerton, Axbridge, BS26 2NH

Conversion of outbuilding to residential annexe. Superseded Plans for the Erection of garage/store and car port. No Objections made by the Full Council.

49/18/00031 – On Land to the East of Notting Hill Way, Weare, Axbridge

Erection of a non-illuminated entrance sign for Hood Archery. This was rejected by the Full Council due to the lack of information provided and what affect this may have on the highway.

49/18/00033 – Badgworth Court, Badgworth Lane, Weare, Axbridge, BS26 QZ

5 No. Holm Oak Trees (T4-T8 shown G5) beside the pavilion, crown lift to up to 3m above ground level, reduce lateral spread over the drive and pavilion by up to 2m radial spread. The Full Council agreed that there were No Objections.

County Councillor Bob Filmer returned to the meeting

49/18/00027 – Warehouse and Premises, Notting Hill Way, Weare, Axbridge, BS26 2JU

Change of use of upper warehouse from Use Class B8 (warehouse and distribution) to Use Class B2 (general industrial) – **Permission Granted – Noted.**

18.11.8 REPORTS

County Councilor Report

There were 19 County Run Libraries of which 13 are to be Community Run and 2 are to close. Highbridge Library is the one nearest to Weare.

It has been agreed that Winter Gritting for this year will continue and that funding will be taken from the Pot Hole Fund. It was mentioned that Parish Councils should still budget gritting for the following year.

Road Safety – Deaths on the roads are down by 12% for Somerset but are still 35% as a whole.

Somerset County Council are proposing to support the use of single use plastics. Home Free Safety Checks are being carried out and anyone interested should call 0800 0502999.

There was a predicted £12M Deficit by Somerset County Council and now 90% of savings have been made, reducing the deficit to £2M.

Footpaths – Councillor Michael Parrett to update next month on the repairs and upkeep on footpaths and vegetation. He said that he would look into the paths listed within Weare and will report back next month.

Highways – There are continuing concerns about Notting Hill Way along the road by the Windmill and through to Washbrook. Clerk to keep chasing County.

WWW & The Coombe – Councillor A. Woollon reported via the Clerk that he had been up to the Coombe twice in the past month and has cleared the area of debris.

Burials – One burial is planned for the 11th January 2019.

Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing to report.

Farm Watch – Councillor Bob Quantrill reported that there have been reports of newly laid crops being damaged by 4 x 4 vehicles.

Other Reports – Councillor Tim Jones reported that the Defibrillator on the Church Wall may still have a fault but the temperature within the box is still sufficient to keep the defibrillator in operation. Still waiting to hear back from AED.

Councillor Kathleen Ham attended the NW Cluster Meeting and gave us a brief update.

18.12.9 Financial Matters

(i) Expenditure

Memorial Hall Notice Board - £156.00

Income

Adams Memorials(Tablet- Morris Lashbrook) - £30.00

Adams Memorials(Inscription – (John Meek) - £31.50

Burnham Funeral Services (Tablet – Mrs Hicks) - £30.00

(iii) To approve payment of the following

By Electronic Payment

Dorset& Somerset Air Ambulance Grant - £100

Contact Magazine - £100

Weare Memorial Hall - £250

By Cheque – None

(iv) Balances

Current Account - £4,033.37

Reserve Account - £3,194.86

(ii) Cheques for Authorisation - None

Electronic transfers paid as per bank statement Signed(Cllr Auditor)

18.12.10 Items for Information or inclusion in next meeting

Survey for Sedgemoor's Open Space, Sport and Recreation Study

18.12.11 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 15th January 2019

Meeting closed at 9.05pm