

WEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th February 2019 in the Memorial Hall, Weare at 7.30pm.

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

In Attendance: J. Augustus (Clerk)

19.2.1 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IF APPROPRIATE

Speakers from Gigaclear, First Call and Telent made a very informative presentation on the work carried out so far and the work still to be carried out in the Village.

19.2.2 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

To note that apologies were received from County Councillor B. Filmer.

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

None Declared.

19.2.3 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 15th JANUARY 2019

The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on the 15th January 2019 were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

19.2.4 POLICE Report:

Local Crime report for January was distributed and noted.

19.2.5 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

To note that all correspondence was emailed to Councillors.

19.2.6 NEW BUSINESS

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

To note that the Clerk has received confirmation from Somerset County Highways that the seat does not belong to County. To note that we are progressing with an additional seat set back from the lay-by. Clerk to check with Somerset Highways that it is suitable and safe to locate a seat in the desired location.

(i) Somerset Wood

To decide if Weare Parish Council should support the Somerset Wood scheme put forward by Somerset County. It was decided to make a small donation towards the Somerset Wood Scheme.

(ii) Loxton Community Hub

To decide if Weare Parish Council should support the Loxton Community Hub and what action should be taken. It was decided not to support the Loxton Community Hub.

19.2.7 PLANNING

(i) Current Applications

49/19/0001 – 2 West End, Notting Hill Way, Weare, BS26 2JN

Erection of a single storey extension on rear (SW) elevation and extension to existing dormer. Members decided to “Support” the planning application.

49/19/0002 - Ashlynn Farm, Alston Sutton Road, Weare, BS26 2LS

Erection of a garage. Members decided to “Support” the application with the condition that the building including the garage doors are in keeping with the colour scheme of the main house.

49/19/0003 - Yew Tree Cottage and Brook Cottage, Quab Lane, Washbrook, BS28 4QJ

Erection of a single storey extension on rear (South) elevation. Members decided to “Support” the planning application.

(ii) Matters dealt by delegation

49/18/00028 – The Old Piggery, Weare, Axbridge

Erection of agricultural building to house livestock and formation of access track.

Permission Granted

(iii) Matters dealt with by Sedgemoor District 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.

Permission Granted

(iv) Other Planning

49/18/00034 – Stream Farm, Brinscombe Lane, Weare, BS26 2NH

Change of use and conversion of barn to dwelling including the erection of a two-storey extension to side (north west) elevation and associated parking and garden.

Members completed a site visit and decided to support the revised application.

19.2.8 REPORTS

County Councilor Report – County Councillor B. Filmer was not present and was unable to give a report.

Footpaths – Nothing to report

Highways – There are still continuing concerns about the condition of the road from Notting Hill Way along by the Windmill and through to Washbrook. There are also pot holes from Mill Lane to the Wheatsheaf.

The ditch running up Notting Hill Way is getting considerably worse with several complaints having been received from parishioners.

Councillor B. Andrews raised a point about the islands in the middle of the A38, which have now been repaired, but there are holes developing around these islands. Councillor B. Quantrill asked the Clerk to write to County Highways again with our concerns and to include County Councillor Bob Filmer.

WWW & The Coombe – Councillor B. Quantrill reported that he had been up to the Coombe and had cleared the ditches. He said that the Coombe is looking very good and very tidy.

Burials – Members instructed the Clerk to inform the Undertakers that several graves need to be filled as they are beginning to settle and are sinking. Cremated remains stones have been left against the wall and requires placing in their appropriate place.

Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing to report

Farm Watch – Councillor Bob Quantrill reported that there was a break-in and damage caused to a property in White House Lane.

There have been reports of a suspicious vehicle in the area, a white Iveco Van, Reg. No. M160 RHD.

There was also a cattle trailer stolen at Cross only a few days ago.

Other Reports – Councillor Tim Jones reported that the Defibrillator on the Church Wall still has a fault. The Clerk to contact AED urgently.

19.2.9 Financial Matters

(i) **Expenditure – None**

Income – None

To approve payment of the following

By Electronic Payment

Weare Memorial Hall (July to December) - £90.00

Clerks Wages - £455.56

Clerks Expenses - £131.75

HMRC - £114.00

By Cheque – None

(iii) **Balances**

Current Account - £3,191.13

Reserve Account - £3,195.13

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

19.2.10 Items for Information or inclusion in next meeting

To Consider who to appoint as an Internal Auditor

To agree the Grasskeep Contract

19.2.11 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 19th March 2019

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

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