

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON
MONDAY 8th JULY 2019, AT 7:30PM.**

Present:

Cllr J. Middleton, Chairperson (JM)
Cllr V. Pitman, Vice-Chairperson (VP)
Cllr D. Faulkner (DF)
Cllr. R. Poole (RP)
Cllr. M. Norvell (MN)
Cllr. J. Hunt (JH)

Apologies:

Zenah Rowe (ZR) – Footpaths Officer

Also in attendance:

Carly Payne (CP)
3 members of the Parish

There was a 10 minute open discussion on matters affecting the Parish and Agenda.

Declaration of Interest: None

Minutes of the last meeting: Agreed by Councillors and signed by JM.

Police Report: There were 13 calls to Police for ASB across the whole of the rural beat for June.
There were no incidents in Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone and Langford Budville.

Finance & Legal:

a. Football Foundation Grant: The PC was informed that the final £12 has been received.

b. Public Liability Insurance:

As part of the PC's duty of care, to protect the public and to protect its members, the PC has Public Liability Insurance. This is an annual cost of £532.85. In the case of the Triangle, a risk assessment was conducted and the terms for public use of the Triangle had to be displayed with other stipulated information on notices erected on the Triangle – this being specified by the Insurers. Recently, the PC has been asked to make a one-off exception for parents of children at the Primary School; to allow a BBQ for an annual gathering. Unfortunately, the PC cannot give permission for a BBQ at the Triangle as it breaks the PC's Public Liability Insurance Terms and Conditions. This would result in the insurance being null and void. In turn, should there be injury or damage caused by the BBQ, without Public Liability Insurance, every member of the PC would be financially liable and litigation would be against the Councillors. This would also apply to any further BBQs lit on the Triangle by any member of the public because, from the moment that the exception was made, the insurance would technically be null and void.

c. Data Protection/Privacy Policy:

After a vote, the PC is happy to formally adopt the policy and DF will add it to the website. DF was thanked for his work with regards to this policy.

d. Grass Cutting:

The PC has requested that CP asks SWTC to cut the grass on specific dates, every 3 weeks throughout the Summer Season, plus one cut in October.

e. Invoice for Village Hall defibrillator: No invoice has arrived. Item added to the August Agenda.

f. Grass Strimming Invoice: Councillors agreed the payment of £25 to JPJ logs.

g. Village Hall Invoice: Councillors agreed the payment of £45 to Langford Budville Village Hall.

h. Public Liability Insurance Invoice: Councillors agreed the payment of £532.85 to BHIB.

Planning Applications:

21/19/0010 - Replacement of single storey side extension with the erection of a two storey side extension and porch to front of Cranham House, Langford Budville Road, Runnington.

All Councillors had visited the site and all agreed to support the granting of permission.

All applications can be viewed in full at:

<http://www1.tauntondeane.gov.uk/tdbcsites/plan/plapplookup.asp>

Approvals -

Case Ref: 21/19/0008

Erection of an agricultural building for storage on land to the north of 1 Higher Houses, Runnington.

Refusals - None

Footpaths report:

VP mentioned the untidiness on Wellington Lane between the Church and Gundenham. RP spoke about the footpath at the bottom of Crownfield leading to Rose Cottages and the PC discussed the ownership of this particular patch. The brambles and stinging nettles need cutting so VP will see if it can be cut by Edward Goldsworthy.

Update for the 4 Year Plan for Parish:

The PC is working on this plan and has received some comments from parishioners. Feedback has been given to these parishioners and the PC is most grateful for knowing their views. The plan will be completed very soon.

Update on Runnington litter-pick:

MN informed the PC about the litter-pick that took place 13th June. 5 people collected 4 bags of rubbish. Although a success, there were serious concerns about the traffic when the litter-pick took place. Road users were disregarding the car that was following the volunteers and were not slowing down when nearby. JM said that safety is paramount.

VE Day Celebration:

To take place on or around 8th May 2020 - the 75th Anniversary. It is an important anniversary of peace after 6 years of war. The PC decided that it will be good to mark this occasion so ideas will be discussed during future meetings. MN suggested bell-ringing and a picnic on the Triangle. DF agreed that it would be good to coordinate something with the Friendship Circle.

Proposal for an Emergency Plan for the Parish:

The PC agreed that this needs to be part of the 4 year plan. It was agreed to ask the Village Hall Committee and the Church if they could become involved in the project.

Land to East of Stancombe Farm Public Enquiry:

MN and VP attended the enquiry on behalf of the PC. All parties now await the decision from the inspector.

Update on road markings, ground levelling and finger posts:

CP informed the PC that the road markings and finger posts have been reported to Traffic Management. In addition, JH was approached about the issue during the meeting and has promised to speak to Jo Sharp to hurry things along. With regards to ground levelling, Martin Stone from SCC Highways has advised the PC over the phone and now the Councillors would like a site meeting.

ACTION: CP to arrange a site meeting for further advice at Patch no. 3 where tarmac has eroded and a 'lip' has formed.

Correspondence: CP read letters from:

1. Penny Rowland Hill regarding the impact from the Hinckley Point project.
2. Cat Sweatman regarding the Village Agent role and contact information.
3. Gill Littlewood, Case Manager of Strategy regarding the new Local Plan for the new Council area.

The next meeting will be held on 12th August 2019 at the Village Hall at 7.30pm. All welcome.