

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 10th DECEMBER 2018 AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present

J. Middleton - Chairperson

V. Pitman – Vice Chair

R. Poole

M. Perry

D. Faulkner

C. Hake – Clerk

D.Sowden – Clerk designate

Cllr James Hunt - SCC

Also in attendance: Cllr Roger Habgood

10 minute discussion on matters affecting the Parish and Agenda.

Chair wished it minuted that the village litter pick event had 6 participants, and she wished to thank everyone who attended.

1.11.2018 – Apologies

Zenah Rowe

2.11.2018 – Declaration of Interest

Parish Councillor David Faulkner made the meeting aware of his Declaration of Interest as a representative and a Trustee of the Village Hall

3.11.2018 – Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting which had previously been circulated, were agreed.

4.11.2018 – Police Report

No items of interest were relevant to Langford Budville
Village beat surgery will be held on 12th December 2019

5. Finance & Legal

a. Milverton Road appeal update

The Chair brought the meeting up to date with a number of amendments which had been imposed following an appeal hearing:

The appellant Mr Masters has 9 months from the amended instruction to remove all caravans from the land with the exception of 2 mobile homes which were already present on the site. Also he is to remove all domestic paraphernalia and other items, brought onto the site to facilitate its residential use, from the land.

b. Land east of Stancombe Farm Update

TDBC has informed the parish council that they have received no further information on the focus of the appeal

c. Precept

The Chair made the meeting aware of examples of what costs may be incurred up until the end of the Parish Council's financial year.

There may have to be an election in May 2019 at a minimum cost of £1500 to the parish
Matting in the play area in the Triangle will need to be replaced

In the next financial year all PC's will have to meet further expenses due to cuts to services.

An example is in future the costs of filling salt bins will have to be met by parishes at approximately £198.00 per bin.

Precept has been set at £7500 for the next financial year.

The Chair asked for a proposer and seconder to accept the above precept. Cllr Poole Proposed and Cllr Faulkner seconded. The Parish Council voted unanimously to accept.

d. Chipley Speed limit update

Somerset County Council have confirmed no funds are available to take this project forward

e. Defibrillator

Having received a request from David Brown, acting Chairman of the village hall committee requesting the PC take over financial responsibility for the defibrillator at the hall by precepting for it.

The Chair made the meeting aware of the history of the defibrillator.

E.g. Why it was held at the village hall, and the background to how it came to be given to the Village.

The village hall committee has acquired an invoice for its provision for £1800 plus VAT, and it appears it is going to be difficult for the village hall committee to fund such an expense.

The Chair made a proposal that the Parish Council, as a gesture of goodwill, should make an offer to cover 1 year of funding, which will give the village hall committee some additional time to raise the money to be able to pay further costs.

The meeting accepted the proposal, but the village hall committee should be made aware that this is a one-off expense to be covered by the Parish Council.

The Martlet Inn owns a defibrillator but responsibility for the maintenance of the defibrillator is the owner's responsibility.

Proposer: Cllr Poole Seconder: Cllr Perry

Unanimous vote in favour of the proposal.

f. Office Expenses

There was unanimous agreement for the following:

Payment of £100 to the Clerk for 12 months home office expenses was agreed.

g. Cllr Perry to be re-imbursed £8.40 to cover the cost of paying a Milverton Sawmill invoice for wood supplied to protect the base of the new tree planted on the triangle.

h. Clerk designate Derek Sowden to be paid the in house training fee of £150.

Planning Applications

21/18/0023

Change of use of land from agricultural to domestic and associated works including wheelchair accessible paths and erection of shed/art room at Toms House, Langford Budville Rd, Wellington – **Supported**

21/18/0025

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All applications can be viewed in full at:

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

Approvals

None

Refusals

None

6. Grit bins Update

Taunton Deane are no longer providing free bags of salt, and are now making them available at £4.75. However, PC Clerk Chris Hake has found out that Buildbase, Wellington are selling a wholly appropriate alternative for only £3.95. It was agreed to source the road salt from them. A quantity is to be delivered to both Runnington and Wellisford for use on the Highways by parishioners. Langford Budville parishioners will also be offered salt/grit to be collected from Ritherdon House by prior arrangement. In all cases the salt/grit is for use on our local highways and not for personal use.

7. Correspondence

A cheque has been received from Avon & Somerset Speed Watch for £118 to cover the cost of appropriate signs.

New dog waste bags have been received at a cost of £31.89. Full agreement to pay was given

AOB

The Chair thanked outgoing Clerk Chris Hake for all her hard work and dedication in the 8 years she had served the Parish Council. A presentation was made on behalf of the village in recognition of her service.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

The next meeting will be held on 14th January 2019
The Parish Council would like to wish all Parishioners a Merry Xmas and Peaceful New Year

