

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON  
MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 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. G. Wren (GW)

**Also in attendance:**

Carly Payne (CP)  
2 members of the public.

*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:** Items were taken from an insecure shed in Bradford on Tone and another shed was broken into in Nynehead at the end of July. There were 15 calls to Police for ASB across the whole of the rural beat for July. There were no incidents in Langford Budville. The good weather does bring about more incidents of ASB. A new Officer, PCSO Alex Potter will be having tutor training in the area before he moves to Wellington Town.

**Finance & Legal:**

- a. **Invoice for Village Hall defibrillator:** A cheque for the sum of £540 was made payable to South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.
- b. **Banking - Change of Signatories, Current Committee Members and New Account Operator:** The Parish Councillors support all changes requested in the Santander Treasurer's Account – Change of details form. Current committee members and signatories, Councillor Valerie Pitman and Councillor Roger Poole signed and dated Page 1 of 14 to declare that they agree to the changes made and authorise Santander UK plc to operate the account in accordance with the operating instructions. The Parish Council confirmed that Carly Payne (Clerk), Councillor David Faulkner and Councillor Janice Middleton will become new account operators/new signatories. The Parish Council also agreed that Councillor Margaret Norvell will become a new committee member/trustee and that the current registered/operating and correspondence address has been amended to a new registered/operating and correspondence address.
- c. **Results of Appeal at land East of Stancombe Farm:** The Inquiry was held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The site visit was made on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The Inspector was Roy Merrett Bsc. The decision was: The appeal was dismissed and enforcement notice upheld with a variation. This being in paragraphs 6(i) and 6(ii) of the enforcement notice: the words '4 months' to be deleted and replaced with '6 months' in both cases.

- d. **Consultation confirming SWTC local plans:** The Parish Council has received a copy of the review of local planning policy and the consideration of planning applications within the Local Planning Authority area. The consultation period ends on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 17:00. The Parish Council have a hard copy to assist or it can be viewed online at:  
[www.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/sci](http://www.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/sci)  
The feedback form can be found at the same link.

## **Planning Applications**

**Application No. 21/19/0007:** *Removal of Condition No. 03 (occupational tie) of application 70526 at Camberley, Wellisford Manor Road, Langford Budville, Wellington.*

CP received a letter from SWTC - Planning to inform the Parish Council that the application, which they previously approved, has been withdrawn on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019. No further comment from Council.

**Application No. 21/19/0006:** *Formation of outdoor horse arena for private use in field at South Gundenham Farm, Milverton Road, Langford Budville.*

All Councillors visited the site and all are in agreement to support this application.

All applications can be viewed in full at:

<https://www2.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/asp/webpages/plan/plapplookup.asp>

**6. Footpaths report:** VP reported that Wellington Lane has been cleared. RP mentioned that it is terribly overgrown from Crownfields to The Martlet Pub. Councillors agreed that the hedges at the back of Swifts need trimming back. Due to not knowing who has responsibility for these particular hedges, VP is going to contact Glenn Martin to try to gain clarification.

**7. Update for the 4 Year Plan for Parish:** JM confirmed that the Parish Council's plan is in place and that this includes: review of various paperwork in the first 12 months and financially affected works to make improvements throughout the parish. Each Councillor has a copy of the plan for their records and the Clerk also has a copy. This is a working document and a guide for the Parish Council. Such documentation can be adjusted and changed as affecting conditions alter.

**8. Update on road markings, ground levelling (meeting with SCC Highways) and finger posts:**

Ground levelling - The right kind of stone has kindly been donated so Councillors will monitor the patch from now on, and especially through the winter, to make sure that the issue has been resolved.

Road markings – The necessary road markings next to White Post Nursery have been painted, with thanks to Cllr. James Hunt for assisting the Parish Council to get the work done.

Finger Posts – If there is no further news by Sept. then further enquiries will be made.

**9. Response from the Churches and Village Hall Committee regarding the Emergency Plan:**

Runnington PCC and the Village Hall Committee have agreed to support the plan. The PC is waiting for one more response. Work on this will now commence. Planning for helping during snowfall is a priority.

**10. Update football pitch markings:** The football pitch has been marked out with generous help from a wellington rugby club member. The PC need to consider options going forward to maintain the markings since they fade after 3 – 4 weeks. Suggestions include paying the Council, purchasing machinery and asking for volunteers. DF was thanked for his efforts with this project.

*CP to find out the cost of markings if the Council were to do it.*

**11. Update VE Day Celebrations:** The Parish Council were pleased to hear that the Friendship Circle has numerous ideas for celebrations although no details were shared at present. The PC will wait to see whether the Friendship Circle is happy to take the lead for such celebrations.

**12. Election Experience – NALC Research:** Simon Pritchard is conducting research on this from 2 major participating groups: Parish Clerks and Parish Councillors. Details were given to Councillors who wished to be involved in the survey.

#### **Correspondence**

1. **Concerns from Runnington Parishioner:** SWTC Councillor GW touched upon the complaint received during the open discussion at the start of the meeting. The Parish Council recently received an email concern relating to the use of newly purchased land at Runnington. The Parishioner is now in contact with SWTC to hopefully be able to resolve the issue.
2. DF has arranged for Steve Greenhalgh to give a talk to the Friendship Circle at 11am on Friday November 8<sup>th</sup> to assist 'Older Drivers'.

**The next meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at the Village Hall at 7.30pm. All welcome.**