

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12th JUNE 2017
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present

K. McGrath - Chairman
J. Middleton – Chairperson
R. Poole
V. Pitman
C. Hake – Clerk

Also present were 4 members of the public, members of the public District Councillor Roger Hapgood and PCSO Sharon Baker.

10 minute discussion on matters affecting the Parish and Agenda.

1.06.17 – Apologies

Mr. M. Perry

2.06.17 – Declaration of Interest

None

3.06.17 – Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting and the Annual PC Meeting which had previously been circulated, were agreed.

4.06.17 – Police Report

PCSO Sharon Baker read the report.

18/5/17 Langford Budville – Missing person

Suspicious incident in Langford Budville where a door had been reported as left wide open for a period of time, police attended and all was in order. An alarm had been sounding in a property, police attended and again all was checked and in order. One report of tyres being let down.

5.06.17 - Finance & Legal

a. SID

There has been a lot of discussion about the PC purchasing their own SID, the parishioners will have the final say and will be able to vote on this as it is going to cost a considerable amount of money.

It was unanimously agreed that it will be put to the parishioners to decide by way of a vote.

b. Post Box possible relocation

After lengthy correspondence with The Royal Mail, they have given permission for the post box to be moved to a safer position at the PC expense. The PC have had a site meeting and obtained a quote of £150 + VAT, this quote is acceptable so the work will go ahead.

c. Aon Insurance – Certificate of Employers Liability

The PC has received its Certificate of Employers Liability, the Clerk will get in touch with the Internal Auditor for advice on how to register the PC.

d. Runnington Finger Post

The PC have paid for the finger post to be repaired, this should be done within 12 weeks of the receipt of the cheque.

e. VAT return

The PC have received the VAT return of £290.78

Planning Applications

21/17/0007/CQ

Prior approval for the proposed change of use from agricultural building to dwelling house (use class C3) and associated building operations at Unit One, The Stables, Wellisford, Langford Budville. - Support

Approvals

None

Refusals

None

6. Drains

The PC have made enquires about the cleaning of drains, this will be done in time.

7. Tone Bridge

There has been fly tipping in this area and with the mud running down from the field it has made it dangerous to walk, therefore anyone walking in this area has to walk on the road, Roger Hapgood has kindly offered to investigate the situation.

8. Somerset West Lottery

Mr. McGrath gave an in depth speech on the new lottery which is being launched on 29th July 2017 by TD & W.S. District Council to raise money for local charities.

More details can be obtained from www.somersetwestlottery.co.uk

9. Footpaths

It was reported that some of the crop paths are once again blocked, this is frustrating for walkers, it is the landowner's responsibility to ensure the paths are clear, the offending footpaths can be reported online.

At Stancome Farm there is a footbridge made from sleepers which has collapsed.

10. Correspondence

The Clerk read a notice on a proposed road closure along Milverton Rd effective from 17th July to enable Somerset Highways to carry out structural maintenance drainage work in this road.

A letter has been received from 2 members of the public after having visitors for the weekend, they pointed out how little evidence of litter there is, how tidy the play area is kept and the distinct atmosphere of pride throughout the parish, they thanked the PC, other members of the public responded and agreed that the PC are doing a good job.

It was unanimously agreed that the PC will purchase their own staple gun, the Clerk will order one from eBay priced £5.99.

The meeting closed at 8.35