

## Meeting Charlton Musgrove Parish Council

<sup>RFB</sup>  
 Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Full Council Held Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7:30pm in Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

**Members Present:** Councillors R Bastable (Chairman), A Sutton, B Izard, S Turk, D Rochford and S Moore.

**Members of the Public in attendance:** Three.

**County Councillors:** None.

**Proper Officer in attendance:** S Atherton

### Public Questions and Comments

Three members of the public spoke about cats terrorising the village and asked Council to help report the antisocial behaviour.

#### 23/40 Apologies for Absence

None received. <sup>RFB</sup> Ruth Kimber

#### 23/41 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received.

#### 23/42 Minutes of the Meetings Held Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023

On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Rochford, the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman. Councillor Sutton abstained from voting.

#### 23/43 Aggressive Cats in the Village

The Chairman, with permission from Councillors moved agenda item 7h to the start of the meeting.

Council discussed the recent complaints to councillors regarding the behaviour of cats belonging to a local family. Council resolved to write to the Environmental Agency to report the antisocial behaviour and with the permission of the complainants, include their complaints.

#### 23/44 Receive Reports from the Chairman and County Councillors

The Chairman talked about the recently purchased bench and how it will be installed at the play area.

#### 23/45 Planning Applications

##### 23/01156/OUT

Outline application for conversion of the existing barns to 4 dwellings including the retention of the original farmhouse with all matters reserved except access. Stokeford Farm, Stoney Stoke.

On a proposal from Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Moore, Council voted to object to granting permission. <sup>to RFB</sup>

Council objected to the proposal on the grounds that the planning permission, as granted for the new build has not been adhered to and that it was agreed for the demolition of old house when the new house was occupied and this condition should be fulfilled.

Allowing retention of the old farm house would set a precedent of agreed conditions not being enforced and also allow a new

house outside of the footprint of the existing farm building's, not conforming to a class Q permission on redundant barn conversions.

#### **23/46 Finance**

- a. On a proposal from Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Moore, Council unanimously voted to approve the latest bank reconciliation and all payments presented.
- b. On a proposal from Councillor Bastable, seconded by Councillor Moore, Council voted to approve all payments made since the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

#### **23/47 Open Spaces**

- a. Council agreed on the fittings of the recently ordered picnic table and look forward to the delivery. The Chairman has constructed an anchor to secure the table.
- b. Council talked about the planned footpath at Heatherwood and resolved to write to the contractor, enquiring when the work will commence, with a view to meet beforehand. This will enable the village hall committee to carry out the necessary risk assessments for hall hirers.
- c. Council asked the Clerk to email the Locality Team regarding the schedule to empty the dog waste bins.
- d. The Clerk is manually inputting all graves and headstones information from the records held.
- e. Council has not received a Police report since the last meeting.
- f. The Clerk is seeking further information for the land at Barrow Lane for the Land Registry.
- g. Council asked the Clerk to contact other village councils to gain information on costs and the installation of speed device indicators.
- h. Moved to the start of the meeting.
- i. Council resolved to contact Hauser & Wirth regarding the outdated posters around the village asking for them to be removed after events in the future.

#### **23/48 Action List**

Council noted the action list and agreed to put signage on the cemetery gate instructing users to close the gate, as the posts are sinking when left open.

#### **23/49 Village Map**

On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Sutton, Council resolved to spend up to £3,000 to repair and frame the old village map, currently stored at Councillor Kimber's house. Once restored the map will be placed in the village hall for the community to view. Councillor Izard abstained from voting.

#### **23/50 Reports and Correspondence from the Clerk**

The Clerk informed council the playground inspectors have a backlog of inspections to complete. The inspection of our play area has already taken place.

All email correspondence had been sent to councillors prior to the meeting and do not require any actions.

Council discusses the current maintenance of the Council website. Councillor Izard is happy to continue to update and maintain. He asked the clerk to use the Council WhatsApp group if any items need to be placed on the website within a timeframe.

**23/51 Clerks Review**

On a proposal from Councillor Bastable, seconded by Councillor Moore council resolved to exclude the public as per the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to discuss the Clerk's annual review.

Councillor Moore talked about the review and suggested that the Clerk's annual salary increase be considered at the next precept meeting.

**23/52 Items for the next agenda**

Speed Indicator Devices  
Map update  
Parish Marker Posts

Council confirmed the next meeting as Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 7:30pm.

The meeting ended at 21:05pm.

Signed RF Bastable

Date 19/9/23

R Bastable – Chairman of Council