Meeting Charlton Musgrove Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council Held Tuesday 16th January 2024 at 7:30pm in Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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

Members of the Public in attendance: None.

Somerset Councillors: T Power **Proper Officer in attendance:** None.

Public Questions and Comments

None.

24/06 Apologies for Absence

Councillor Turk and Somerset Councillor Trimnell.

24/07 To Receive Reports

With agreement from the whole Council, the Chairman moved this agenda item to first on the agenda. Councillor Power talked about the protest at the recent Somerset Council District Executive meeting. Residents did not agree with the proposed closure of Yeovil Athletic Ground, CCTV and the Castle Cary Recycling Centre. Council was encouraged to report all fly tipping as a priority to highlight the possible consequences of the Castle Cary recycling Centre closure. On a proposal from Councillor Kimber, seconded by Councillor Moore, Council agreed to write to Somerset Council to strongly disagree with the above proposed closures.

24/08 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

Councillor Izard declared an interest in the closure of the Athletic Ground.

24/09 Minutes of the Meetings Held Tuesday 21st November 2023 and Tuesday 9th January 2024

On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Sutton, the minutes of both meetings were approved and signed by the Chairman.

24/10 Planning Applications

None Received.

24/11 Finance

- a. On a proposal from Councillor Kimber, seconded by Councillor Sutton, Council unanimously voted to approve the latest bank reconciliations presented.
- b. On a proposal from Councillor Kimber, seconded by Councillor Sutton, Council voted to approve all payments made since the meeting held on 21st November 2023.

24/12 Open Spaces

- a. Council will wait until the ground is dry enough before moving the picnic table to another area.
- b. No new highway issues to report.
- c. Nothing to report.
- d. Council have not received a Police report for several months. Council noted three new incidents in the area. A trailer and equipment stolen from Hatchlands Farm with two diesel thefts in the same area. There has also been another dog

- attack on sheep in Rectory Lane. All reported to the Police. Council also requested the attack be published in the village newsletter and group email.
- e. Council agreed to register the land at Barrow Lane.
- f. Council agreed to defer any action regarding speed indicator devices until July due to financial uncertainty.
- g. There have been no further repairs to St John's gate posts, due to the weather. Will carry out further repairs when the weather is better.
- h. Somerset Council are awaiting a CCTV report from the contractor before works commence at Heatherwood.

24/13 Recreation Area Report

Council have not received any correspondence regarding the closure of the recreation area. Councillor Izard will put the notice of permanent closure on the Parish Council website.

24/14 Action List

Council resolved to add a tree survey to the action list. The Chairman will contact the contractor who previously carried out the survey, three years ago for a quote.

24/15 Precept

On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Rochford, Council voted unanimously to submit the precept request to Somerset Council as per the minutes agreed for the meeting 9th January 2024.

24/16 Village Heritage

Councillors Izard and Turk will go to Taunton records office to view maps of the village held there. Council agreed to collect any old photographs of the village area or people for a possible project. Councillors will contact the editor of the village newsletter to request photographs and put the Clerk as the point of contact.

24/17 Community Review Project

Council agreed to place this item on the action list.

24/18 Reports and Correspondence from the Clerk

Nothing to report.

24/19 Items for the next agenda

Parish Tree Survey.

The meeting ended at 20:40 hrs.

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Signed Date

R Bastable - Chairman of Council