

Meeting Charlton Musgrove Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council Held Tuesday 19th September 2023 at 7:30pm in Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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

Members of the Public in attendance: None.

County Councillors: L Trimmell.

Proper Officer in attendance: S Atherton.

Public Questions and Comments

None.

23/53 Apologies for Absence
County Councillor Power.

23/54 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations
None received.

23/55 Minutes of the Meetings Held Tuesday 18th July 2023
On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Izard, the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

23/56 Receive Reports from the Chairman and County Councillors
Councillor Trimmell talked about the Heatherwood path, the LCN meetings and the Wincanton Regeneration Project. The Chairman asked about the finances of Somerset County Council, Councillor Trimmell informed Council they are not in a good place and there are cutbacks to come. Councillor Power had emailed a report to Council.
The Chairman talked about the delays to the Heatherwood footpath and how he will keep Council informed.

23/57 Planning Applications
No planning applications to discuss.

23/58 Finance
a. On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Sutton, Council unanimously voted to approve the latest bank reconciliations presented.
b. On a proposal from Councillor Rochford, seconded by Councillor Moore, Council voted to approve all payments made since the meeting held on 18th July 2023.

23/59 Open Spaces
a. The picnic table is now fitted at the recreation area and the seat with backs will be fitted soon.
b. Council talked about the recent email from SCC regarding locating grit bins. Charlton Musgrove does not have any. Councillor Turk talked about the blocked drains in the Parish and agreed to report them to Highways via the website.
c. The Clerk is manually inputting all graves and headstones information from the records held. The Clerk received an email regarding locating a family members gravestone. The Chairman responded to the email informing them of the location.
d. Council have not received a Police report for several months.

- e. The Clerk is seeking further information for the land at Barrow Lane from the Land Registry.
- f. Council asked the Clerk to contact other village councils to gain information on costs and the installation of speed device indicators.
- g. Council agreed to continue with the annual inspection of the play area but will inform them the area is under discussion at the next meeting.
- h. Council talked about the slipping gates at St John's Church and have purchased the materials needed to repair them.
- i. The Chairman talked about the grass cutting at the recreation area and the lack of volunteers to carry it out. Council resolved to inform residents that the recreation area will be under discussion at the next meeting as to whether Council will continue to fund the maintenance. A notice will be sent to the newsletter editor and the local email group. It was decided to only contact the landowner once a decision has been made.
- j. Awaiting confirmation of a start date for the Heatherwood path. The Clerk will contact the contractor for an update.
- k. After discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman will look at the cost of making a copy of the village map for display in the Village Hall.

23/60 Action List

Council noted the action list and agreed to add the moving posts at St John's Church.

23/61 Remembrance Day

Councillor Izard agreed to lay the wreath on Remembrance day with the full support of Council.

23/62 Reports and Correspondence from the Clerk

The Clerk had previously sent all emails to Councillors. Rural Bulletins, Press releases from SCC and a report from County Councillor Power.

23/63 Items for the next agenda

Recreation Area.
Village Map.
Heatherwood.
Defibrillator.

Council confirmed the next meeting as Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 7:30pm.

The meeting ended at 21:00 hrs.

Signed R.F. Bastable

Date 21/11/23

R Bastable – Chairman of Council