

Meeting Charlton Musgrove Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council Held Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 7:30pm in Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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

Members of the Public in attendance: None.

Somerset Councillors: None.

Proper Officer in attendance: Sam Atherton.

Public Questions and Comments

None.

24/20 Apologies for Absence

Councillor Turk and Councillor Sutton.

24/21 Declarations of Interest

None.

24/22 Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 16th January 2024

On a proposal from Councillor Izard, seconded by Councillor Moore, the minutes of the meeting held 16th January 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

24/23 To Receive Reports

The Chairman informed Council he is meeting with the Chairmen of Bayford and Cucklington Parish Councils, Monday 25th March at 11am, to discuss Somerset Council cuts and how as local parishes we can work together to provide services for the parishes.

24/24 Planning Applications

24/00220/COL

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the existing use of 4 of the 5 holiday caravans approved by planning permission reference 900042 (alternative reference 90/00625/FUL) dated 14/02/1990 as permanent residential occupation, Sunnyhill Park Campsite Riding Gate Wincanton Somerset BA8 9NG. Council noted the courtesy information and agreed that this situation is due to historical ineffectual planning enforcement.

24/00353/HOU

Extension and alteration of the existing farmhouse comprising a single storey timber clad extension (retrospective), the replacement of kitchen windows with French Doors and new window on eastern elevation, in addition to the construction of a first-floor balcony, Stokeford Farm Stoney Stoke Wincanton Somerset BA9 8HR. On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Rochford, Council voted unanimously to not support the application on ecological reasons, the original S106 agreement and the class Q development. Council will submit a full explanation to the planning department.

24/25 Finance

- a. On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Izard, Council unanimously voted to approve the latest bank reconciliations presented.
- b. On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Izard, Council voted to approve all payments made since the meeting held on 16th January 2024. Council also approved a payment of £58 to purchase a book remembering Parishioners who passed during military service. The book will be available at St Stephen's Church in the Parish.
- c. Council unanimously agreed to amend the mandate at Unity Bank. All payments, regardless of amount, will require the authorisation of 2 councillors.

24/26 Open Spaces

- a. Nothing to report on the picnic table.
- b. No new highway issues to report.
- c. Nothing to report.
- d. None received.
- e. Council instructed the Clerk to register the land at Barrow Lane.
- f. Speed Indicator Devices will be discussed at the next meeting.
- g. St John's gate posts are still in working order but will continue to be monitored.
- h. Council noted some work has begun at Heatherwood but are awaiting further information.
- i. Council agreed the Hedgehog Highway Project is not beneficial to the Parish.
- j. Council unanimously agreed to appoint Three Counties Landscaping to mow the grass in the cemetery 2024/2025.
- k. Council unanimously agreed to carry out a tree survey and appoint Astill Tree Care to carry out the work.

24/27 Action List

Council noted the action list and agreed to discuss the Community Review Project at the next meeting.

24/28 Annual Review

On a proposal from Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Izard, Council voted unanimously to adopt all statutory documents without changes.

24/29 Internal Auditor

On a proposal from Councillor Bastable, seconded by Councillor Izard, Council voted unanimously to use the current reporting documentation and appoint Muriel Cairnes for the internal audit for the financial year 2023/2024.

24/30 Reports and Correspondence from the Clerk

All email correspondence is sent to Councillors when received by the Clerk. Councillors instructed the Clerk to contact the Highways department to ascertain why Council no longer receive information about road closures in the Parish.

24/31 Items for the next agenda

Community Review Project
Speed Indicator Devices
Defibrillator Training

Council confirmed the next meeting as Tuesday 21st May 2024 at 7:30pm.

The meeting ended at 20:43 hrs.

Signed R.F. Bastable

Date 21/5/24

R Bastable – Chairman of Council