

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council which took place on Monday 19th March, 2018 at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Bishop, Brunt, Joy, Lillywhite, Rowswell, Wakely, Cripps, Finlay. A Dance (District and County Councillor) and 3 Parishoners.

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. England & Cripps, C Raikes (District Councillor), D Clarke (Parish Clerk).

DECLARATION OF INTEREST :

Cllr Wakely

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:

It was mentioned that there were a few telephone scams going around and people need to be aware.

The abandoned vehicle in Buttle Close has now gone and it turned out to belong to a resident of Buttle Close.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

David Bourne of Love Lane and Ruth Moore of Robins Lane raised their concern about the road between Branstons and Lopen Raj being a single track and not suitable for the number of large trucks going in and out of Branstons. JB explained that this goes back a long way and that over the years Branstons site has been expanded. It was mentioned that when Branstons was originally built another entrance onto the Ilminster by pass was suggested but declined. It was also mentioned that Branstons fall into the Seavington Parish Council boundary. ~The questions was also raised whether the arrival and departure of the lorries are staggered as Mrs Moore said she met 3 in a row.

ACTION - TO BE RAISED WITH ADAM AND DANCE AND CRISPIN RAIKES.

JB thanked Mrs Moore and Mr Bourne for attending and raising their concerns.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING

It was suggested that in future we print off our own minutes to save Di having to put them through our doors. We will discuss with Di at next meeting.

CC REPORT

The Library Consultation has been extended to 13th June as there has not been enough time to form a group of residents to potentially run the Library.

ACTION; LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM SB PARISH COUNCIL TO ADAM RE USE OF LIBRARY

Grit: It was also advised that there had been rumours that Parish Councils may be liable if putting down grit. Adam advised this is not the case.

Fire in East Lambrook. The road is still closed. House total loss and currently unsafe hence the road closure.

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Park & Ride Taunton. Adam advised this is now closed on Saturdays

Cllr Cripps asked about the Devolution and Cllr Dance advised he has not heard any more as this is dealt with by Cabinet.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Planning Application in respect of The Gables has been passed.
- Special offer on radar speed signs

PLANNING

- HILL FARM. Erection Of a stable and hay store
No comments and agreed unanimously
- PLOT 3 SHELLS LANE. Erection of detached dwelling and garage (amended design to approval 17/04474/FUL
No questions from Cllrs and agreed unanimously

VILLAGE SHOP

Cllr Joy advised that things are on track with opening proposed for 31ST March. She has been in contact with the Post Office regarding a Post Office Local (which could take up to 4/5months if successful) but will keep us advised. Mrs Ruth Moore asked if we could ask the Post Office to provide a mobile service.

DEFIBRILLATORS

Cllr Joy advised that the Defibrillator at the Recreation Ground is now fully installed and registered with the Ambulance Service. Whilst weather has been bad she has put the other (non registered defibrillator at the Duke of York) as this can still be used in an emergency. She is arranging for quotes to install the 2nd one at the Village Hall.

ACTION; LETTER OF THANKS TO IAN LONGMAN FOR INSTALLING DEFIBRILLATOR AT RECREATION GROUND WHICH HE DID FREE OF CHARGE FOR HIS TIME.

A training session will be arranged in the Village Hall in due course to tie in with the opening when Branstons will also be invited to thank them for their contribution.

ACCOUNTS:

Cheques were drawn for	
SSDC – Parish Ranger	£ 603.84
D. Clarke	£2007.00
HM Revenue & Customs	£ 401.00
D Clarke	£ 222.76

PARISH PLAN

Cowleaze Meadow. Thanked Adam Dance DC re contribution for fence
Events Team: Film 24th March at the Village Hall - The Zoo Keeper's Wife
24th April. Italian Night. Film and meal.
Rec Committee: finalising quotes and list required in respect of Grant application .

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HIGHWAYS:

The 2 large pot holes reported by Cllr Bishop opposite the "old" shop have now been repaired.

Discussion re Salt pit. Cllr Finlay with replenish the one at the end of the village. It was suggested there is a more central place for salt bags. It was suggested outside the Village hall.

ACTION; CLLR JOY TO DISCUSS AT VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING ON 26TH MARCH

FOOTPATHS

Nothing to declare apart from a tree at bottom of field which Cllr Brunt acknowledged they were aware of and it will be cleared when the weather is drier.

AOB

No other business was raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.