

# PAWLETT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Pawlett Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Old Main Road, Pawlett on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018, commencing at 7.00pm.

(in the format to be presented to the next meeting for approval)

## **Present:**

Parish Councillors:

R Winter (Chair), M Neale (Vice-chair), A Baker, C Clark, W Barnard and A Warner Clerk, C Morrison-Jones, together with 3 members of the public

Public speaking:

- Are there any further details on closure of Chapel Road next week such as which end? RW responded that the PC doesn't know any further details apart from what shown on the map issued by Highways
- Bench in Gaunts Road. Recollects its being discussed 10 years ago and it wasn't established then who owned it, but as the PC has historically maintained it shouldn't it be considered a PC asset?
- Asset list – upon its installation in 2015 it was agreed to treat the teak bench annually...has it been done recently and can PC follow this up? RW responded that yes, he will deal with this matter

## **1. Welcome by the Chairman.**

## **2. To receive any apologies for absence and disclosures of interest.**

Apologies received from Cllr H Smith

## **3. Minutes of the Pawlett Parish Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to be presented and signed.**

A correction was made to the public speaking notes – should be Manor Road, not Old Manor Road. The previously circulated minutes were then approved by councillors to be true and correct record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman

## **4. Matters Arising:**

### **Any matters arising not covered by agenda items below.**

- a) Outdoor gym opening on Friday 20<sup>th</sup>. RW has already given his apologies for not being able to attend and MN indicated that he cannot guarantee being able to be there. CC offered to conduct event if MN is unable to attend. RW will ask Pavilion for refreshments
- b) Drain outside 10 Old Main Road is getting worse. Clerk requested pictures from councillors to send to Highways to highlight the problem

## **5. County and District Councillor Reports**

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None received

## 6. Planning Matters

### a) Applications:

#### Consider Planning Application 41/18/00003

**Lethbridge Farm, Stretcholt Lane, Stretcholt, Bridgwater, TA6 4SR**

**Conversion and extension of existing garage.**

AW reported that it was a substantial conversion. He advised councillors that he thought that it should be ensured that there is a condition that is used in connection with the main house and that the conversion it isn't subsequently sold separately to the main house. Councillors unanimously resolved to support with the conditions with the addition of the caveats advised by AW.

### b) Any other planning related matters notified to Clerk in advance of the meeting.

18, Gaunts Road. It has been noted that there is substantial work on going. RW doesn't recall any applications so will be asking SDC if an application is necessary for the work that is going on or is it under permitted development rights.

## 7. Roads and Footpaths.

### Any matters relating to roads and footpaths in the Parish

- a) Drain outside 10 Old Main Road (as minute 4 b)
- b) Bollards were in place opposite the hair dressers on Old Main Road (Wessex water) left for several days. CC asked Wessex Water what was going on, they were unsure but the cones have now been removed. It appears that the cones had been 'borrowed' by a resident who was reserving a parking space. PC Willis has returned the cones to Wessex Water.

## 8. Playground and Outdoor Gym

### Any matters relating to the playgrounds or outdoor gym

- a) Outdoor gym opening on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April
- b) MN yet to recontact Simon Jeffries re the gate repairs
- c) WB noted that the strap is too tight on one of the new trees on the Green. He offered to remove it before it deforms the trunk.

## 9. To Receive Reports from Members of Meetings attended as representatives of the Parish Council

HS and CC both attended the councillors' essentials training course at Brent Knoll. It proved very informative and worthwhile.

## 10. Consider parishioner's request for an additional grit bin at Old Main Road / Pound Road junction

Councillors thought that this would be a good idea. It is a busy junction with an odd camber on junction.

Liaison is needed with Highways to establish a permitted site but the PC would have to purchase the new bin. SCC will fill a new bin with grit as required.

Councillors agreed that triangle between bollards would be a perfect position and unanimously agreed to fund the purchase of a new bin. Liam Gill (SCC Highways) is back to work on 1<sup>st</sup> May and the clerk was requested to liaise with him regarding possible siting and acceptable design of a new bin.

The clerk was also requested to establish if K Tyson is still at Highways, Dunball depot.

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## 11. Consider Royal British Legion's request for a written contribution to the Great Pilgrimage

Councillors unanimously agreed to support this. It was noted that there is a commonwealth war grave in the church graveyard. AB and RW offered to collaborate on this letter

*3 public left at this point*

## 12. Financial Matters.

### a) Approve payment of creditors.

Clerks Salary, April 2018	£386.60
Clerk's expenses & reimbursements	£68.47
Green energy, electricity on the Green	£5.86 (inc VAT of £0.28)
Sutcliffe Play South West, outdoor gym equipment	£28,264.80 (inc VAT of £4,710.80)
ICO, data protection registration	£35.00
SALC councillor training x 2	£50.00

### b) Receipts received

10.4.18 Sedgemoor DC, RLT2 funds for outdoor gym	£25,041.00
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### c) Any other financial matters notified to the Clerk in advance of the Meeting.

None

## 13. Circulated correspondence

- 1) Somerset County Council
  - i) Support services consultation launched for sheltered housing residents
  - ii) CDS expands broadband network to thousands more homes and businesses
- 2) Sedgemoor DC
  - i) Hinkley Point C community fund tops £5 million
  - ii) Planning e-consultation update
  - iii) Community health fund
- 3) Somerset Waste Partnership, Sedgemoor collection round restructure
- 4) Somerset Rivers Authority, 2018-19 spending plans
- 5) Polden Project, Proposals and update
- 6) Musgrove Park Hospital MRI Scanner Appeal
- 7) Mendip Community Transport, Letter of thanks for PC grant
- 8) Countryside Voice, CPRE spring 2018 magazine

## 14. Topics for Future Meetings.

None additional

## 15. Date and time of the next meeting – Annual Parish Council Meeting, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall, Old Main Road, Pawlett.

## 16. Employment matters – the press and public will be excluded from this agenda item due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

The clerk 's annual employment review falls due on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Councillors agreed that the work of the clerk is much appreciated and councillors unanimously approved to increase the clerks' salary to SCP 23 on the pay scale, backdated as to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 19.47

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