

MINUTES - MEETING OF PAWLETT PARISH COUNCIL

Held at Pawlett Village Hall on Monday 6th June 2022 commencing at 7.00pm

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

Present: Cllrs W Barnard (Chair), A Warner (Vice Chair), M Sims, M Smith, T Malpass & M Turford and Clerk S Warren, County Cllr's M Healy and Suria Aujla, and 1 member of the public.

Public Speaking: None

7.00pm start

1. **To receive any apologies for absence and disclosures of interest**
J Kingman, apologies for absence – accepted, M Sims declared interest in 9b
2. **County and District Councillors reports.** - *Presented by M Healey*
3. **Clerk would like to double confirm signatories in order to start the process of adding her to the bank account this week.** *Believe to be AW, JK and possibly M Smith.*
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on December 6th 21, April 4th 22 and May 16th 22 to be presented and signed.** *Dec minutes still unrepresented, April and May duly approved.*
5. **Matters Arising from the minutes:**
 - a) **Feb 22 meeting – re positioning on dog poo bin from Gaunts Road end of The Drain.**
Mr Ryle had reported some time ago smells from the dog litter bin, proposal to relocate to River Road. Also discussed possibility of two further bins in Vicarage Lane and Monmouth Farm Close Green. M Sims to show SW exact locations. SW to investigate process and report back next meeting.
 - b) **Any other matters arising not covered by agenda items below – Discussed storage of the Beacon,** *WB to contact Jonathan Thorne to arrange storing at his premises in River Road for probable future usage.*
6. **Roads, Footpaths and River Bank:**

Any matters concerning Highways, Footpaths or River Banks
Pot holes and speeding – will propose speed watch group on Facebook this coming week.
Also in discussion with Avon & Somerset Police Road Safety Partnership re funding for SID.
Parking problems Old Main Road/Junction Monmouth Farm Close (firstly reported January 2020) – SW will be suggesting speed watch group via facebook, and is still in discussion with Road Safety regarding SID in village. M Sims is also chasing SCC's Traffic Engineer, who promised some 5 months ago that the TRO would go for public consultation a.s.a.p., but may also seek advice from Dst. Cllr Diogo Rodrigues.
7. **Planning:**

Planning Applications to consider:

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a) Application Number: 41/22/00014 – *No Objection*

Full Planning Permission

Location:

33 Monmouth Farm Close, Pawlett, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 4SP

Proposal:

Erection of single storey rear (North) extension on site of existing conservatory (to be demolished).

b) Application Number: 41/21/00012 – Major application ongoing – *No further news*

c) Any potential planning breaches in the parish

d) Any other planning related matters notified to Clerk in advance of the meeting

8. **a) Trees on the Green** – *M Sims provided a quotation of £175 + VAT for works to be carried out on the Walnut Tree and £245 + vat from SDC to carry out trimming works to the Horse Chestnut trees on the green. These prices include the removal of all waste from the site. All agreed to instruct the works.*
- b) Blocked Drains - A38/Bristol Road** – *M Sims emailing County Cllr's*
- c) Historic fingerposts – Anyone made any progress?** – *SW will endeavour to register the finger posts and the balloon hanger as Historic sites of interest in the hope this may improve our chances of gaining funding to have the finger posts restored. WB abstained from vote on Balloon hanger all others agreed, and all agreed to finger posts.*
9. **Minor Parish maintenance issues**
- a) Lee Saunders – Day rate £170** – *All approved.*
- b) All happy with £15 per cut for Church path as and when required, by Mark of Ashcroft Gardening.** – *All approved – M Sims left the room.*
- c) Paint the electricity box green on green** – *AW has the paint and will carry out the work.*
- d) Any other issues**
10. **Play area and outdoor gym:**
- a) Playground repairs / maintenance** – *Annual inspection due August 22 quote of £72.95 per site, total £145.90 - All approved*
- b) Proposed exercise equipment** – *SW suggested contacting Gravity or similar with regard to funding, will report back next meeting.*
- c) Any other matters to report** – *MT suggested improvements to Monmouth Green, such as Bee Lawn and benches. He will be making investigations and reporting back. SW and MS to check on the 106 Agreement in 1998.*
11. **Hopefully Paul Hooper of Thomas Westcott will be carrying out the internal audit – confirming to Clerk on Monday 6th June 22. Annual returns will be available for approval at next meeting.**
- All approved*
12. **Financial Matters.**
- a) i) Payments to approve** – **Clerk purchased some Jubilee lamp post signs and a flag which is flying at Lethbridge Farm. Discuss possible reimbursement of £70.06 We owe the Royal British Legion £50 for poppy wreath from last November, cheque to be signed - All approved**

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Finances to approve for 6th June 2022

Authorisation of payments to be made

No.	Item	Amount	
1	Sam Warren incl expenses of £29.88 approved in May	£538.18	Salary 06/05 to 05/06/2022
2	Somerset Web Services Wordfence annual charge	£118.80	
3	SALC Part 1 training & Good councillor guides	£50.00	Still awaiting their arrival ...
4	RWG & GW Chilcott Bench repairs & galvanising	£573.60	
5	Simon Purnell - shot blast & paint bench	£288.00	
6	McAfee Virus protection	£99.99	Paid 23rd May by DD
7	Microsoft	£79.99	Paid 3rd May by DD
8	Royal British Legion wreath	£50.00	Cheque
9	Possible reimbursement to clerk for Jubilee signs & flag ?	£70.06	Signs £47.99 Flag £15.99 postage £6.08
10	SDC Grass cutting	£561.60	2 cuts of Sports Field & Green
Total		£2,430.22	

Clerk's Salary

gross

April salary	£538.18
gross	£538.18
PAYE contribution	
NI contribution	
nett	£538.18

Clerk's reimbursements

Bench transport to and from Burnell's 12 miles @45p	£5.40
Home office & phone use £2 per week, printing £2 per week	£16.00
Plaque Purchase & fixings	£54.28
Total	£75.68

Will be added to next month salary if approved

ii) Amounts received

iii) Any other financial matters notified to the Clerk – The Chairman relayed his amazement at all the Events put on in the Village for the Platinum Jubilee weekend. He was especially heartened to see the well-attended Cream Tea on a wet afternoon. It was agreed that a donation of £ : 00 be given to Churches Together in Pawlett. M Sims obviously abstained, but all others agreed.

13. Date and time of the next Parish Council meeting.

Monday 4th July 2022 at 7pm - Approved

This Meeting ended at 8.00pm.

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