West Huntspill Parish Council Meeting Minutes

**Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at 7:00 pm on 17th January 2022 at The Balliol Hall, Church Road following Covid-19 regulations.**

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| **i)** | | **Members present:** Cllr Ann Gunnell-Parker, Cllr R Shaw, Cllr R Keen, Cllr R Palmer  The Clerk – Mrs Alex Harris | **Action** |
| **ii)** | | **Members of public present via Zoom:** None |  |
| **iii)** | | **County & District Councillors present via Zoom**: Not Present |  |
| **1.** | | **Apologies for absence**: Cllr John Wakefield, Cllr M Saunders & Cllr A Higgs |  |
| **2** | | **Dispensation requests**: None |  |
| **3.** | | **Minutes and Clerks Report**  Cllr Shaw proposed the minutes were a true record of the meeting held on the 13/121. Cllr R Palmer seconded this and the Council were all agreed.  Cllr A Gunnell-Parker and Cllr R Keen approved the Clerks report and the Council were all agreed. |  |
| **4.** | | **Matters Arising –None** |  |
| **5.** | | **Police report – PCSO Piers unable to attend but report received** |  |
| **6.** | | **County Councillor and District Councillor Reports:**  Cllr Healey sent report by email |  |
| **7.** | | **Planning**  **52/21/00018 Miss N Young Edgecroft, New Road, West Huntspill**  Erection of stable block and feed/hay store and brick wall with fencing panels, with the removal of existing hedgerow and replacement of existing gate (part retrospective).  **No Observations**  **52/21/00029 Mr R Main 64 Main Road**  Outline application with all matters reserved, for the erection of 4no. dwellings with associated access off the highway  **No Observations**  **52/21/00030 Mr D Kidner Manor Farm, New Road**  Retrospective application for the erection of agricultural building and creation of concrete yard area.  **No observations**  **52/21/00031 Mr & Mrs Watts. 18 Main Road, West Huntspill**  Erection of two storey rear (NW) extension on site of existing porch & lean-to (to be demolished)  **No Observations** |  |
| **8.** | | **Common**  No Issues |  |
| **9.** | | **Pavilion**  The area is looking great and the Pavilion is nearing competition. The Cricket Club are hoping for a grand opening ceremony in May prior to the start of Cricket session.  Agreed carpark surfacing can ago ahead – costs in next year’s precept £2000. Club will do labour parish Council will pay. |  |
| **10.** | | **Clean Sweep**  The next Clean Sweep will take place in March 2022 |  |
| **11.** | | **Ilex Park**  Nothing to report – awaiting tree work to be completed.  2 x medium trees form SDC as part of the Queens Green Canopy project have been ordered and waiting to be informed when can be collected. |  |
| **12.** | | **Area Report:**  **Ringstone**  Clean Surroundings are now involved with 97,98 and 99 Ringstone and over-grown trees.  **Church Road** – Footpaths are in poor state – inform SDC  Inconsiderate parking in Plymor – How can we prevent?  **Main Road** – Yellow line order has been completed and we are waiting for approval and installation.  Notice Board near the school – Arien signs have quoted £1000 approx. for new metal board and installation. Cllr Higgs will get another quote to compare.  Sheppard’s Lane Bridleway has multiple dead trees which are at risk of falling – reported to SCC  Huntspill Villa hedge is hanging over footpath and brambles present. Landowner not taking ownership and cutting back. Reported to SCC and SDC  **Alstone** – Phone Box refurbishment has been completed | AGP  Clerk |
| **13.** | | **Platinum Jubilee**  June 2022 will be the Queens Platinum Jubilee.  The Council will discuss with the WI, Balliol Hall and other groups to discuss a joint venture.  The Council also agreed to purchase a commemoration gift for each school age child in the village. The Clerk will look at merchandise. | Clerk |
| **14** | | **Precept**  The Council discussed the budget and options. The council were all agreed that the Precept should be set at £21500. This is a rise of £1000 on the previous year.  Due to increased cost for electricity and water. Also Pavilion carpark surfacing. |  |
|  | | **Cllr R Keen left meeting at 19.32** |  |
| **15.** | | Financial items:   * Statement of accounts * To agree the following payments   Mrs Alex Harris £598.76 – Clerk  Mrs Alex Harris £37.99 – Telephone and website  Mrs Alex Harris £14.39  Balliol Hall Hire £22.00  The Council agreed the banking statement and all payments were approved. |  |
| **16.** | | **Matters of report:**  None |  |
| **17.** | **Date & time of next meeting: 14/2//22 – 7pm – Balliol Hall** | |  |
| **18.** | The meeting closed at: 20.10pm | |  |