



BADGWORTH
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Minutes

Minutes of the video conferenced meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 14th September 2020 at 7pm.

Present

Cllrs Body (Chairman), Hipwell, Shaw, White and Vining. Also in attendance were District Cllr Godwin Pearson and the Parish Clerk, Mrs H Marshall. There were no members of the public present.

105/20 Apologies: Cllr Winsor, family commitment; Cllr Wilkie, work commitment. The apologies were accepted.

106/20 Declarations of Interest Cllr Vining National Grid: a dispensation regarding National Grid and the Hinkley Connection Project, valid for a period of 4 years until July 2022 was noted.

107/20 Minutes of the Video Conferenced Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th July 2020: Copies having been circulated; the Minutes were taken as read and approved as a true record.

108/20 District Councillor's report: Matters discussed included: Stronger Somerset and the local government reorganisation including questions answered regarding the potential financial savings, and the prospectus at www.strongersomerset.co.uk; the change in Councillor numbers and that the new authority(s) will come in to being in 2022; a long term solution for Coffin Lane, Axbridge. District Cllr Godwin Pearson left the meeting.

109/20 National Association Local Councils Consultations: changes to the current planning system; planning for the future white paper; transparency and competition (land control)

Resolution: To delegate drafting a response to Cllrs Hipwell and Shaw. Unanimous.

110/20 National Salary Award

Resolution: To notify the Sedgemoor District Council payroll department that the NSA should be payable on the employee's salary from 1st April 2020. To arrange a staffing committee meeting.

111/20 Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings: updates to the regulations were discussed. It was noted that meeting arrangements have been adjusted to ensure compliance.

112/20 The **website accessibility** statement is available on the website and documents added to the website are checked for accessibility. The statement will be reviewed and adjusted as necessary.

113/20 The **Walking and cycling manifesto** and recent correspondence from Sedgemoor District Council regarding areas identified for improvements were discussed. No response to the manifesto is to be made.

114/20 Local Government Reorganisation. It was noted that Parish Councils will soon be consulted.

115/20 Community Matters: National Grid update: recent pile driving in the area was reviewed, including notifications to residents via social media. Residents will be contacted by National Grid prior to commencement of the next phase of work in Tarnock. **Village Plan:** no update, information is awaited from Sedgemoor District Council **Public Space Protection Orders** in the Parish were reviewed and no amendments were required. **The Somerset Climate Emergency Fund** was discussed, including that Parish Councils must apply to the fund. The local halls are to be invited to submit ideas to the Parish Council for consideration at the next meeting. The request for support from the Somerset Wildlife Trust will be considered with the local projects.

Cllr Shaw left the meeting and entered the waiting room.

Tarnock Noticeboard: Correspondence from the Highways department was discussed. No further action will be taken at this time; a recent request from a resident regarding the permission to erect the noticeboard was reviewed, it was noted that any further correspondence should be directed to the County Council legal department.

Cllr Shaw re-entered the meeting.

Grit bins: Recent damage to two grit bins was discussed. Cllr White is to reinstate the grit bin on Church Lane.

Resolution: To replace the grit bin outside of Kirklea Farm with a similar sized green bin in the original position. The Clerk is to make the insurance claim. The condition of the Tarnock Village signs was discussed following contact from a resident.

Resolution: To contact Highways and enquire whether there is a schedule for cleaning the signs and replacement.

116/20 Society Local Council Clerks: Virtual National Conference

Resolution: To support the Clerk in attending the conference.

117/20 Highways: it was noted that a large dead deer was removed from the Badgworth layby.

118/20 Jubilee Field and Memorial Field The covid risk assessment was reviewed. No updates were necessary. The Schoolroom Management Committee raised the poor condition of the fence in the Jubilee Field. The External Inspection report raised concerns over the condition of the football posts. The Chairman and Cllr Winsor are to investigate both matters and report back to the next meeting. The Clerk is to ask the hedge contractor to cut back the brambles in the Jubilee Field and the Memorial Field hedge in the 1st/2nd week of October.

119/20 Crime report and policing update: No matters were reported. Crime figures in the Parish were updated.

120/20 The cluster meeting report was deferred to the next meeting.

121/20 Planning: The Report was updated to include new application 03/20/00009 Erection of a horse walker Chapel House Bristol Road Biddisham BS26 2RE.

Further information is awaited regarding a query on the Council's response to application 03/20/00010, .

122/20 Correspondence: All correspondence was brought to the attention of the Council.

123/20 Finance

i. The September financial statement, having been circulated, was approved as a true record. The receipt of the VAT reclaim was noted.

ii. **Resolution:** To renew the subscription to CPRE

iii. **Resolution:** The Payments Schedule was approved:

DD Clerks Salary and Mileage July £421.82

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DD ICO fee £35

Chq 821 CPRE £36

Chq 822 Clerks Expenses £131.41

Chq 823 Badgworth Schoolroom Management committee Equipment Inspection £12

iv. RLT2 and 3 funds available were noted.

124/20 Member's Points of Information: No matters were raised.

125/20 Items for the Parish Magazine/Social Media: None

126/20 Date of next Meeting: October 19th, 2020 via Zoom.

Meeting Closed 9.04pm

Signed F Body (Chairman)

Date