

WEST QUANTOXHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27th June 2018 at 7.30 pm at West Quantoxhead Village Hall

PRESENT: Councillors Mr G Tizzard (Chairman), Me T Dunn, Mr R Hughes, Mr J Roberts, Mrs S Sherry and Mrs P Tolley

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs M Francis (Clerk),
District Councillor S Dowding
Somerset County Councillor H Davies

18/23 Apologies for Absence
There were none

18/24 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations
There were none.

18/25 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March 2018
It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes.

18/26 Matters from the Minutes – for the purpose of report only
18/26.1 The Clerk advised confirmation was awaited on who the cheque was to be made out to.

18/27 REPORTS

18/27.1 **Police Report:**

- It was **resolved** to note the report specific to West Quantoxhead, which advised there had been 4 theft and handling stolen goods and 1 violence against a person.

18/27.2 **Somerset County Council:**

- Major road resurfacing was taking place at East Reach, Taunton between the hours of 6.30pm and 11.30pm.
- The Phoenix Centre in Watchet had been awarded a Queens Award for voluntary service. West Somerset Homestart had also received the Award
- The new road by the Post Office sorting office in Taunton had been officially named as Trenchard Way.
- Water bottles can be refilled free of charge at County Hall
- Leaflets were available on 'Be drink aware during the world cup'
- Double yellow lines outside Sir Gilbert Scott Court in Williton; a decision was still awaited.
- A pavement on the coastal walk at Doniford was in the design stage.
- Cllr Davies reported he had attended the Solar Panel exhibition at Danesfield School and advised the only new substations due to be built locally, up to 2025 was one at Shurton and one at Sandford, Bristol. A station at Hinckley Point would be an ideal position.
- Improving Lives leaflet was distributed and Cllrs were asked to complete.

18/27.3 **West Somerset Council**

- The new shadow authority had held several meetings.
- 40 Commando would march in Taunton this Saturday
- The police would remain in Williton Police Station; there had been problems with trying to relocate into West Somerset House.
- Cllr Roberts expressed concern that Bracken Edge had not been swept, although it was listed on the map to be included. Also, the drains had not been cleared as weeds were growing out of them. Cllr Dowding would report this to ID Verde.
- SWP recycling sites could accept rigid plastic, however, it was felt this needed to be advertised.

18/28 Correspondence Log: (full list pre-circulated)
 It was **resolved** to note the correspondence log.
 The Clerk advised members the nomination form for the Chairman’s Award had been received; if members wished to nominate anyone please let the Clerk know.

18/29 Finances
18/29.1 Financial Statement:
 The Clerk advised the bank balance as at 27th June 2018 was £4,237.99 (as confirmed by statement number 46)

18/29.2 The meeting authorised the issuing of the following cheques:

Chq. No. 000103, Came & Company Insurance	£297.95
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18/30 Audit for Year Ending 31st March 2018
18/30.1 The Clerk confirmed the Certificate of Exemption had been forwarded to the external auditors.

18/30.2 It was **resolved** to approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18.

18/30.3 It was **resolved** to note the Annual Accounting Statement was discussed.

18/30.4 It was **resolved** to approve the Accounting Statement.

18/30.5 It was **resolved** to sign the Accounting Statement.

18/31 Planning

18/31.1 Applications for consideration
 There were none

18/31.2 Decisions: To note the following decisions.

Application No	Location	Decision
3/38/18/002	Home Farm Holiday Centre, The Belt, West Quantoxhead	Granted

18/32 Highway Matters
18/32.1 The Clerk confirmed she had contacted SCC Highways regarding the extension of the 30mph limit on the Doniford Road from its current location, the junction with the A39, to past Rydon Cottages and had been advised this would be a police matter, not Highways. It was resolved to contact the police to discuss this and the ongoing problem of speeding through the village. SID reporting – the Clerk would investigate how many villages were still undertaking the scheme and enquire if a scheme could be supplied at a more economical rate.

The road sign at the bottom of Staple Lane by the open reach box needed re-siting. The Weacombe Road sign was missing. There was a broken bracket on the sign on the Weacombe Road, just past the bend by Luckes Lane.

18/33 Footpaths
 The Clerk reported that Somerset County Council had replied to advise they would inspect the footpath. It was **resolved** the Clerk would request an update.

18/34 Telephone Kiosk
 It was confirmed the Village Hall committee would be happy for the kiosk to be sold. Cllr Roberts would research the possible value. As it was a community asset, the Clerk would confirm who bought the kiosk and paid for the moving to its current position.

18/35 Report from SALC West Area Meeting
 Cllr Tizzard gave a verbal report of the meeting where the Somerset West and Taunton Council local boundaries were discussed.

18/36

Review of Tree Preservation Orders in Ward

The Clerk advised of the positioning of the current Tree Preservation orders which were:
T/3/2 – junction Staple Lane and A39 – several trees
T/3/40 – The Rectory – Common Lime and 2 x Copper Beech
T/3/74 – Green Meadows – 2 x Copper Beech
T/3/84 – The Windmill – Walnut

It was **resolved** members would consider for the following meeting, if any other trees in the Parish need consideration for preservation orders being placed upon them.

18/37

Grass Cutting - review

The grass alongside the fence of the grass verge was overgrown. The Clerk would arrange for it to be cut.

18/38

Future Meetings 2018

5 September 2018
7 November 2018

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: