

# WEST QUANTOXHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.00 pm via zoom video conferencing

**PRESENT:** Councillors P Mote (Chairman), R Hughes, S Sherry, P Gibbons, M Philipson and A Cottrell and G Tizzard

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs M Francis (Clerk), SCC Cllr Davies, SWT Cllr Morgan  
1 Parishioner

- 21/01 Election of Chairman and receipt of declaration of acceptance of office**  
Cllr Sherry proposed Cllr Tizzard, the proposal was not seconded.  
Cllr Cottrell proposed Cllr Mote, seconded by Cllr Hughes, a vote was taken, and Cllr Mote was elected as Chairman, with four votes in favour and one abstention. It was resolved Cllr Mote would sign the Declaration of Office before the next meeting.  
  
Cllr Tizzard gave his verbal resignation and left the meeting.
- 21/02 Election of Vice Chairman**  
After a proposal from Cllr Sherry, seconded by Cllr Cottrell, Cllr Hughes was elected as Vice Chairman.
- 21/03 Apologies for Absence**  
There were none
- 21/04 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**  
There were none.
- 21/05 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies**  
It was resolved Cllr Sherry would stand as representative on the Village Hall Committee.  
The WI would be asked if a Councillor could stand of their committee as a representative.
- 21/06 To Review and Adopt Standing Orders and Code of Conduct**  
It was **resolved** to re-adopt the above, with no amendments.  
Proposed Cllr Sherry, seconded Cllr Hughes.
- 21/07 To Review and Adopt Parish Council Procedures**  
21/07.1 The Financial Regulations was reviewed and re-adopted with no alterations  
21/07.2 The Complaints Procedure was reviewed and re-adopted with no alterations  
21/07.3 The Recording of Council Meetings was reviewed and re-adopted with no alterations
- 21/08 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021**  
It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes. Proposed Cllr Mote, seconded Cllr Gibbons.
- 21/09 Matters from the Minutes – for the purpose of report only**  
There were none
- 21/10 REPORTS**  
21/10.1 **Police Report:**
- The Bi-monthly newsletter had been received.
- 21/10.2 **Somerset County Council:**
- Cllr Davies had forwarded recent press releases, which included:
  - Rapid Testing kits available from pharmacies
  - Long term health effects of covid-19
  - Covid update

- Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme was starting again
- Highways operation plan 2021-2022 regarding verge and structural maintenance
- County Annual Meeting – reported one of the officers in Public Health had been made a professor
- If home testing for covid-19 was positive, a reminder to book a test
- Changes to Marriage Registration
- Road closure at Sampford Brett 10<sup>th</sup> May – 14<sup>th</sup> May re Wessex Water

21/10.3 **Somerset West and Taunton Council**

- Cllr Morgan congratulated the Chairman on his post.
- Cllr Morgan spoke about problems with Sky Lanterns and issues at Kilve Beach.

21/11 **Correspondence Log: (full list pre-circulated)**

It was **resolved** to note the correspondence log.

21/11.1 It was noted the Section 137 Limit for 2021-2022 was £8.41 per electorate

21/12 **Insurance Renewal**

The renewal had been received from Zurich Insurance at a cost of £257.60. After a proposal from Cllr Hughes, seconded by Cllr Sherry, it was unanimously resolved to continue with Zurich.

21/13 **Finances**

21/13.1 Financial Statement:

The Clerk advised the bank balance as at 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 was £6,403.36

21/13.2 The meeting authorised the issuing of the following cheques:

Chq. Nos 000162 Zurich Insurance	£257.60
Chq. Nos 000163 & 000164 Clerk's Salary & Tax	£459.03

21/14 **Planning**

21/14.1 **Applications for consideration**

Application No	Location	Details	Comments
3/38/21/002	St Audries Bay Holiday Club, Track to St Audries Bay Holiday Camp, West Quantoxhead, TA4 4DY	Change of use of 1 No. staff dwelling and 3 No. residential staff caravans as private residential dwellings in exchange for securing the holiday use of 19 No. static caravans	No objection

21/14.2 **Decisions: To note the following decisions of Somerset West and Taunton Council**

Application No	Location	SWT Decision
3/38/21/001	Inkberrow, Weacombe Road, West Quantoxhead	Granted

21/15 **Report from Annual Parish Assembly**

The following comments had been received:

Request to look into a new Village Sign

Report of overgrown hedge

Hinkley Point Bus Timetable to be displayed in Bus Shelters and on Website

- 21/16 Highway Matters**
- 21/16.1 Replacement of Weacombe Road sign – last update was that the sign will be included on the next order Highways place.
  - 21/16.2 Painting of Finger Posts – Cllr Mote advised the posts were of an acceptable standard and suggested they are kept monitored. In the meantime, Cllr Peeks from Williton PC would be approached to ask if she would help with painting when needed. Cllr Philipson and Mrs Philipson had cleared the ivy from the Weacombe sign.
  - 21/16.3 Request to reduce speed limit to 20mph. Members felt this would not proceed further and therefore would be removed from the agenda.
  - 21/16.4 Request for a 30mph speed limit along St Audries to Doniford Road – again members felt this would not proceed further, despite being requested numerous times over the years and would therefore be removed from the agenda.

- 21/17 Grit Bins**
- 21/17.1 The clerk raised concerns regarding the size of the bin selected and whether it would be too Small. Cllr Mote would look at the bin and report back.

- 21/18 Dog Fouling**
- The article had been re-submitted to the Staple Diet and members felt the problem had eased and was much better. This would be removed from the agenda but would continue to be monitored.

- 21/19 Future Meetings** – Legislation had come to an end on the 6<sup>th</sup> May enabling virtual meetings, therefore, meetings would return to the Village Hall, socially distanced. It was resolved the next meeting would be held at 7.30pm and to consider if this was a better time for all.

7<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022

The meeting closed at 8.17 pm.

Signed: ..... Cllr Mote .....  
Chairman

Date: ..... 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 .....