

WEST QUANTOXHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 7.30 pm in West Quantoxhead Village Hall

Attendees:

Councillors	Mote (Chairman), Gibbons, Hughes, Philipson, Robinson and Sherry
SCC	Davies
SWT	None
Avon and Somerset Constabulary	None
Clerk	Mrs Michelle Francis
Public	One member

- 22/23 Apologies for absence and approve reason, where appropriate**
Received from Cllr Cottrell, SWT Cllr Morgan, SCC Cllr Woods
- 22/24 Declarations of Interest**
There were none
- 22/25 Co-option of Councillor**
An application had been received from Mr William Robinson for the casual vacancy on the Council. It was unanimously **resolved** to co-opt Mr Robinson after a proposal from Cllr Philipson, seconded by Cllr Hughes. As Cllr Robinson was in attendance, he duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, after which he was eligible to take part in the remainder of the meeting.
Resolution: Cllr Robinson was co-opted as a Parish Councillor
- 22/26 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th May 2022 for approval** (attached)
It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes, proposed Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Philipson
- 22/27 Matters from the Minutes – for the purpose of report only**
There were none
- 22/28 Reports**
- 22/28.1 Avon and Somerset Constabulary
It was **resolved** to note the newsletter that had been forwarded. Concern was raised that speeding was still occurring through the village, it was **resolved** to request regular speed checks, especially early in the morning and in the late afternoon.
- 22/28.2 Somerset County Councillor / Unitary County Councillors
It was **resolved** to note the report that had been forwarded. In addition, Cllr Davies highlighted recent press releases.
- 22/28.3 West Somerset District Councillors - Williton Ward
It was **resolved** to note the report that had been forwarded.
- 22/29 Correspondence**
- 22/29.1 It was **resolved** to note the contents of correspondence log
Noted that the tyres that had been fly-tipped in Luckes Lane had not been cleared – the clerk would report again.
- 22/29.2 Councillor Training had been offered from SWT Council – attendance would be considered by Councillors and if required, the clerk would request.
- 22/30 Finances**
- 22/30.1 The Clerk advised the bank balance as at 6th July 2022 was £5,274.59
- 22/30.2 Authorisation of expenditure
To authorise the issuing of the following cheques:
An invoice was expected from A Godfrey for grass cutting. As this had already been budgeted for, it was agreed a cheque could be forwarded.
- 22/31 Planning**
- 22/31.1 There were no applications for consideration

22/31.2 Decisions: The following decisions of Somerset West and Taunton Council were noted

Application No	Location	SWT Decision
3/38/21/008	20 Staple, West Quantoxhead	Awaiting decision
3/38/21/010	St Audries Bay Holiday Club	Granted
3/38/22/004	St Audries Bay Holiday Club	Awaiting decision

22/32 Highway Matters

- 22/32.1 Village Entry Sign – A response was still awaited from Highways – Cllr Davies agreed that he would chase again.
- 22/32.2 Damage to Staple Lane Road sign – it was noted the sign had been marked red, which hopefully indicated it would be replaced shortly. It was noted the Weacombe Lane sign had been located correctly.
- 22/32.3 Overgrown hedge on the Avenue – noted that the hedge had not been cut – the request would be submitted again.
Concern was noted regarding the diversion along Luckes Lane that was currently in place, being a single track lane.

22/33 Report from Annual Parish Assembly held on Wednesday 18th May 2022

The Chairman gave a verbal report

22/34 The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee – Cllr Gibbons gave a report on events.

All events went well. The beacon lighting was well attended. Thank you letters were being sent. Surplus amount of £327.16. Cllr Sherry would contact the WI to ask their preferences regarding a Memorial Tree or repair to the Notice Board at the Staple crossroads.

22/35 Audit for Year Ending 31st March 2022

- 22/35.1 Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022 – unanimously **resolved** to approve and sign
- 22/35.2 The Annual Accounting Statements were considered and agreed
- 22/35.3 Unanimously **resolved** to approve for Chairman to sign Accounting Statement – proposed Cllr Sherry, seconded by Cllr Gibbons.

22/36 Parish Noticeboard

It was unanimously **resolved** to use the older noticeboard at the garage, near the entrance and not to repair the newer one on the side of the shop.

22/37 FUTURE MEETINGS 2022 (to be advertised in Staple Diet)

7th September 2022, 2nd November 2022

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Signed:Cllr Mote (Chairman)

Date: 7th September 2022