

**West Bagborough Parish Council.**

**DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting held at the Popham Hall on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Present:** Cllrs: Stuart Parkman. Charlie Ritchie. Martin Jones. Lorna Hending. Billy Waygood. Elaine Woollacott

**In Attendance:** Cllr Peter Watson TDBC. Cllr Jane Warmington TDBC. Cllr M Rigby SCC

**Election of Chair & Vice Chair.**

Cllr Parkman and Cllr King were re-elected on a show of hands. Cllr Parkman advised that he does not want to continue as Chair beyond 2017-2018.

**Standing Orders**

Council accepted advice that no changes to the standing orders were required and adopted them unchanged.

**Apologies..** Cllr Martin King

**Parishioners Questions.** None

**Declarations of Interest.** None

**Minutes of Last Meeting**

Council resolved that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted as a true record.

**118. Crime Report.**

118.1. The Clerk read out the crime report from Avon & Somerset Police. Thefts from locked sheds were noted.

**119. County and District Councillors Reports.**

119.1. Cllr Watson reported that the A358 roundabout is finally due to open before Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The planned changes to WSDC/TDBC are on hold during the general election as is the planned improvement to the M5/A358 junction in Taunton. Cllr Warmington advised of the updated contract to provide rural broadband. Gigaclear have been awarded the contract and are planning to provide a fibre service either by underground or piggyback on the existing telegraph poles. Residents are encouraged to register an interest on the Gigaclear website to get the Parish into the plans. <https://www.gigaclear.com>

**120. Matters Arising. (On going Matters.)**

120.1. Play park activity. The working party has met and is progressing design and costs.

120.2. Cllr Woolacott reported that residents agree with providing some form of 'pavement' on the bend by Heathfield to separate pedestrians from the traffic. Cllr Jones will progress with Highways and Cllr Rigby.

120.3. The plan for a car park is awaiting a response from Kings Estates about what they are asking the PC to do. Cllr Waygood to talk with the Kings Estate to clarify the situation.

120.4. The fast broadband project link from Coombe Florey tower is on hold. Cllr Jones will check with Paul Gaunce.

120.5. The papers have been sent to Fields in Trust. They will respond when complete.

120.6. The repair to the village sign, damaged during the winter, is on-going.

120.7. SCC rights of way have responded to the letter re Stout Lane. They accept the need for repairs. They have offered £500 per year for emergency works to minimise flood over run and are working on longer term plans to resolve the situation. Council accepted the offer of financial help.

**121. Planning.**

121.1. 45/17/0002. Proposed new garage at The Coach House Triscombe. Council supports the application.

**122. Finances**

122.1. Council approved the Annual Governance Statement.

122.2. Council approved the Accounting Statements for 2016-2017.

122.3. The Ground Maintenance contract has been awarded to MJ & MA King.

122.4. Invoices for payment are: Clerks Salary £300.82. HMRC PAYE £49.20. Came Insurance £343.15. CPRE Membership £36

**123. Correspondence for Discussion/Decision**

123.1. None.

**124. Correspondence for Information. & Briefing/Library Documents.**

124.1. Council noted the following. War Memorial Trust Bulletin. Highways Maintenance 2017. Affordable Housing Day TDBC

**AOB.**

Council has received several complaints/enquiries about the large advertising signs that have appeared at the junction of New Road and the A358. The Clerk was instructed to advise TDBC Planning for clarification.

**Date of Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be held in the Popham Village Hall 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 1900 hrs.

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