

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th July 2019 at 7.30pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall.

Councillors present: Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Mary Harding, Don Hobson, Andrew Venner, Maeve Vickery and Tony Weir.

Also in attendance: Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk, and Mark Peters.

19/42 **Apologies** from SWT Cllr Anthony Trollope-Bellew and Charlie Cox.

19/43 **Declarations of interest**

Cllr Hobson declared an interest in the Finance item 49.3

Cllr Weir declared a personal interest in Planning Application 22/19/0008

19/44 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 20th May 2019 were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

19/45 **Matters Arising**

19/41 *Cllr Weir reported that the ditches along the Chapel Leigh to Cob Castle lane needed clearing, and should be done so regularly to avoid flooding and road subsidence. Cllr Marshall to report.* No further updates or responses.

Cllr Telling reported two issues. The main road near to Ash Priors has had a bank removed, she questioned how this could happen without permission. As this is outside our parishes Cllr Marshall will speak to C Cllr Rigby. Cllr Rigby was aware and is looking into the issue.

The Horse Pond, next to Sunnyside, flow pipe is blocked and is diverting water away from the pond. The pipe should be cleared. Cllr Marshall has now cleared the pipe.

19/46 **Co-option of new Councillors - Candidates**

Cllr Marshall proposed that Mark Peters and Charlie Cox be co-opted onto the Council to fill the two remaining seats. This was seconded by Cllr Vickery and all agreed.

Mark Peters signed the Acceptance of Office form and the Register of Interests forms.

As Charlie Cox was not in attendance, he will be asked to complete these forms before the next meeting.

19/47 **Planning**

47.1 Applications received for comment from Somerset West and Taunton Council:

22/19/0006 Replacement of porch at 4 Victoria Terrace, Lydeard Down Hill, Lydeard St Lawrence. *Decision of Permitted Development was given on 12/07/19*

22/19/0008 Erection of single storey front extension at Pipers Gate, Chapel Leigh Road, Lydeard St Lawrence

The above planning applications have been passed to the Planning Committee for Comment. The Committee supported both applications.

47.2 Notification of any Somerset West and Taunton Council Decisions:

22/19/0003 - Additional use of store barn to allow for housing of livestock in winter with additional use of slurry store to maximise water collection pit on land at Nethercott Lane, *Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 31/05/2019.*

Signed by Chairman:

Date:

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41/19/0002 - Raising the roof, replacing the roof tiles and installing 3 dormer windows in the rear elevation, plus replacement of flat roof over garage with pitch roof at Heavens Above, Tolland.

Decision of Conditional Approval was made on 15/05/2019.

19/49 **Financial**

49.1 The Accounts Statement was noted by the Council

49.2 Cllrs agreed to pay SALC Affiliation Fee £125.89

Proposed Cllr Telling, Seconded Cllr Venner

49.3 Cllrs agreed to pay SALC for Councillor Training £25

Proposed Cllr Venner, Seconded Cllr Harding

49.4 Cllrs agreed to pay Liz McConnell £60.57 for ink and paper for the newsletter

Proposed Cllr Weir, Seconded Cllr Venner

49.5 The Parish Council has received £35 from Tincknells for newsletter advert

19/50 **Updates**

19/50.1 (19/15) **Tolland Village Signs**

Cllr Marshall reported that he had contacted SCC to commission the work and was still awaiting a site visit to be confirmed, but had spoken to them regarding the new signs.

19/50.2 (19/18) **Dog Foul Bins**

Cllr Marshall reported that he had contacted TDBC to request a price and was still awaiting a response.

19/50.3 (19/26) **First Aid Training**

Cllr Venner had gained some more interest but it was felt the numbers were still not significant enough to go ahead without more participants. It was suggested combining with another Parish Council which would hopefully get enough to run the course. Cllr Marshall to ask neighbouring Councils.

19/51 Proposed Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Changes - 12 Week Consultation
SWT Statement of community Involvement Consultation

Cllrs acknowledged the Consultations and felt that a Parish Council response was not required, but will encourage individuals to have a look and comment if they wish to by placing a notice in the newsletter.

19/52 **Correspondence and items for information**

The following items were noted by the Council

Crime Report not received

Avon and Somerset Police Crime Commissioner Newsletter

Recycling Newsletter

Temporary road closures

Training for Village Halls and Parish Councillors

19/53 **Any other Business**

Cllr Marshall reported that one of the ash trees on the main road between Stoney Cross and Handy Cross appears to have Ash Die Back. He asked if anyone knew who planted

them or owned them. This was unclear so Cllr Marshall will report the issue to SCC Highways.

The hedges in the Parish have not been cut; although this was not scheduled to be completed until 29th July it was felt that this should be done asap. The situation will be monitored.

With no other business the meeting was closed at 8.00pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 9th September