

CHILTHORNE DOMER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6 MAY 2021, IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY WHICH FINISHED AT 7.43pm MEETING HELD AS A VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

Emma Meecham, Clerk, 15 Meadow Road, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 3RE
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Mr K Woodman, Chairman
Mr H Tasker
Mr A Scott

Mr P Rowsell, (And District Councillor)
Mr T Brandt
Mr D Welch

Cllr Capozzoli

Miss E Meecham (Clerk)

The meeting commenced after an open session for Chilthorne Domer parishioners only, no items had been sent to the clerk for inclusion.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Apologies were received from Mr Batstone and Cllr Williams.
- 17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None declared.
- 18. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – Mr Scott asked for an update on the chippings, the clerk informed him that she had not received a further response from the contact at SSDC. The minutes were unanimously agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
- 19. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES** – Mr Rowsell proposed that Mr Woodman continue as the Chair, the proposal was seconded by Mr Tasker. Mr Woodman agreed and the motion carried unanimously. Mr Woodman proposed that Mr Batstone continue as Vice Chair, Mr Scott seconded the proposal but noted that due to his absence should Mr Batstone not wish to carry on as Vice Chair he himself would be happy to step in, this was seconded by Mr Rowsell and both options agreed unanimously. All other representatives were content to carry on and this was agreed unanimously.
- 20. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Cllr Williams had previously circulated his report by email. Mr Brandt noted that as a rule the Small Improvement Scheme seems to be slowing traffic on Tintinhull Road. Mr Woodman noted that there had been a couple of visits by the Speed Enforcement team of Avon and Somerset Police for which Mr Scott gave thanks on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 21. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Mr Rowsell noted that there are still ongoing concerns regarding the 40mph zone on the A37. Mr Rowsell reported that Claire Pestell has been appointed as the new temporary Chief Executive at SSDC as Alex Parmley is leaving, SSDC Councillors decided that they did not want to advertise externally due to the uncertainty of the role with the as yet undetermined Unitary Authority proposals.
- 22. HIGHWAY MATTERS**

Mr Tasker requested that the clerk inform Highways that the post from the speed limit repeater was still in the verge along the A37 near the telephone box.

 - a) SID – The clerk informed the meeting that she had approached some companies for quotes but had not yet heard back, she is to approach others.
- 23. COMMUNITY SAFETY & POLICE MATTERS** – No up to date figures were available.
- 24. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS**
 - a) Receipts: Precept – Noted.
 - b) Payments: Clerks Salary, HMRC, Internal Audit £50, Insurance, Grass cutting. – Agreed unanimously.

- c) Grant requests: None – Noted.
- d) Adoption of accounts – Agreed unanimously, although it was noted that a new valuation of assets is required before next years accounts.
- e) Annual Governance statement – Agreed unanimously.
- f) Accounting statements – Agreed unanimously.
- g) Audit exemption – Agreed unanimously.

25. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications: None – Noted.

Decisions: None – Noted.

Appeals: None – Noted.

26. FOOTPATH ISSUES

a) Sock Lane to the Leyland Trail Y4/13 to Y4/14 – stiles – Mr Batstone had asked the clerk to enquire as to the feasibility and possible financial contribution from the Parish Council for the replacement of 3 existing stiles on this footpath with kissing gates. It was agreed that the clerk is to approach Eve Wynn from SCC.

27. ALLOTMENTS – Mr Scott gave an update on the allotments. He thanked Cllr Capozzoli for the donation of the materials for the raised beds. The Council are considering the option of a grant request to fund the construction of the rain water harvester. At the end of this item Cllr Capozzoli left the meeting.

28. VILLAGE HALL – The Village Hall is beginning to open up, the school were due to return on 22 April and the dance group is due to return from 29 May. This is all subject to any new guidance. The school wish to increase their use of the hall.

29. RECREATION TRUST – The report given at the Annual Parish Assembly covered most of the update, the Trust are considering spending money on a play equipment refresh and the bar area is to be refurbished. The Trust are disappointed that there has been no consultation with SSDC regarding the maintenance schedule for the sewage connection. It was agreed that the clerk is to write to Rebecca McElliott at SSDC to express the Parish Council's disappointment in the type of consultation and the lack of involvement with the maintenance agreement.

a) Climate Change Emergency Agreements – The clerk has received an agreement from SCC regarding the funding, following discussion it was agreed unanimously that this agreement should be signed and that one should be drawn up between the Parish Council and the Recreation Trust for the items that are relevant.

30. CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE – The clerk shared that she had recently received an email regarding the Unitary Authority poll.

31. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN – None.

32. DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS – Village Hall 7.30pm, 3 June 2021, 1 July 2021.

33. There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:06.