

CHILTHORNE DOMER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2022, 7.30pm, VILLAGE HALL, CHILTHORNE DOMER

Emma Meecham, Clerk, 15 Meadow Road, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 3RE
Tel: 01935 415361

Mr M Batstone
Mrs K Taylor

Mr T Brandt
Mr P Rowsell

Cllr Capozzoli

0 Members of the public

Miss E Meecham (Clerk)

The meeting commenced after an Open Session for Chilthorne Domer Parishioners only. There being no members of the public present no items were raised.

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Apologies were received from Mr Woodman and Mr Seib.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None declared.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed unanimously as a true and accurate record, subject to Mrs Taylor’s apologies being added to item 1 which was duly done.
- 4. COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – No report.
- 5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Cllr Rowsell reported that DEFRA has noted that they see no changes to the issues with phosphates until 2030, which will cause a massive shortfall in housing supply in Somerset. Cllr Rowsell reported on a recent visit to the Tinkers Bubble site, the residents have an open day in October to which everyone is welcome, the site is very self-sufficient, and Cllr Rowsell recommends taking up the opportunity.
- 6. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR** – Nobody forthcoming.
- 7. HIGHWAY MATTERS**
 - a) SID – Mr Brandt updated the meeting on the recent SID figures. The most recent figures on the A37 show a maximum speed of 114mph, with most drivers at or below the speed limit. The most recent figures near the school show a maximum speed of 73mph with just under 1% of vehicles going faster than 40mph. Mr Brandt continues to download the data and is in communication with ElanCity to find out how to break down the information further.
- 8. COMMUNITY SAFETY & POLICE MATTERS** – the clerk reported that there had been one public order offence in both July and August according to the figures as supplied by Avon and Somerset Police. The meeting was informed of vandalism at the allotments in mid-August. There seems to be an abandoned vehicle on the grass verge along Tintinhull Road opposite the Carpenters Arms.
- 9. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS**
 - a) Receipts: None
 - b) Payments: Clerks Salary, HMRC, gate repairs Parish Council share £215.
 - c) Grant requests: Playground equipment. The application was discussed, Mr Brandt proposed that the Parish Council fund to an amount of £2500, which could be reviewed

when other funding has been identified/secured, this was seconded by Mr Rowsell and agreed unanimously.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications: None received by the time of the agenda being issued, however, two applications were received between the agenda being published and the meeting being held. The Parish Council determined that they had no objection, subject to private use only, to application number 22/02313/FUL for the Construction of an equestrian arena for private use only and change of use of land from agriculture to dual use for agricultural and equestrian use at New Hills Farm, Yeovil Road. The Parish Council determined that they wish to discuss application number 22/02133/HOU, for Erection of wrap around side extension and alterations to materials of dwelling to include cladding and render at Alveare Tintinhull Road Chilthorne Domer Yeovil, therefore this application is to be included on the next agenda and an extension of time requested.

11. CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE – The clerk gave their report on emails received, including one regarding Somerset Day and a request for information regarding the status of the grit bins. Mrs Taylor volunteered to take both forward.

12. BROADBAND – An email informing of a short delay has been received, but no further details received yet.

13. CLIMATE CHANGE – Mr Brandt has distributed the first draft of the Climate Emergency report. Mr Brandt informed and explained to the Parish Council of the reasons for the report, both in terms of options for funding sources for climate related projects, and more fundamentally in terms of the change in the weather patterns. Mr Brandt explained the different sections of the report and requested that the Parish Council consider the report and asked that the Councillors decide which parts they agree with, and therefore happy to adopt, and which parts need changing. Mr Brandt requested that comments be given to him before the next meeting to enable adjustments and redrafting with a view to getting the document adopted sooner rather than later.

14. VILLAGE HALL – Mr Brandt is anticipating receiving a quote for the solar panels soon. Mr Brandt reported that the Village Hall committee had received a quote of just over £2500 +VAT for the audio-visual equipment for the hall, other bids will be sought if the Parish Council are still considering part or full funding, although the Village Hall could probably afford to fund approximately 50% of the cost. Mr Brandt reported that at the last committee meeting there was a review of the current user baser. The hall is at a reasonable level of usage currently, although the decision to only use one room at a time continues. A water meter and a smart meter have both been installed and the committee have changed energy supplier.

15. RECREATION TRUST – Mr Brandt reported that the Recreation Area is doing ok at the moment, there is an ongoing major project to extend the facilities in the playground. A new chiller has been installed and the benefits of the solar panels are being felt. Over the last month there have been two B-B-Qs, the gross income for both was good.

16. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN – Mrs Taylor reported on the state of the bridge over the Public Right of Way. Mrs Taylor has managed to speak to Eve Wynn at SCC who has said that once she receives the details required for access the Public Rights of Way team will replace the bridge, these details have been passed on, so things are looking hopeful. Due to the conversation with Eve Mrs Taylor has managed to access a copy of SCC's policy on footpaths and funding.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:56pm

17. DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS – 6 OCTOBER 2022.