

CHILTHORNE DOMER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2023, 7.30pm, VILLAGE HALL, CHILTHORNE DOMER

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Mr K Woodman
Mrs K Taylor

Mr T Brandt
Mr M Batstone

0 Members of the public

Miss E Meecham (Clerk)

There being no members of the public and nothing submitted to the clerk there were no items raised during the open session.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Apologies were received from Cllr Seib and Mr Rowsell.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None declared.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously agreed as a true record of the meeting.
- 4. COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – None received.
- 5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Needs to be removed from the agenda.
- 6. HIGHWAY MATTERS**
 - a) SID – No report at this time.
There is a post from a highways sign that needs replacing on Kings Hill and on Vagg Lane.
Clerk to report/chase as appropriate.
- 7. COMMUNITY SAFETY & POLICE MATTERS** – No report received.
- 8. FOOTPATHS** – The Footpath sign near the property ‘Brambles’ has been removed from the gate post. The Council requested that the clerk ask the PROW team to consider installing a pedestrian gate at this location as the other gate is very heavy.
- 9. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS**

Mr Brandt queried some blank boxes on the finance spreadsheet, the clerk apologised and assured the meeting that these would be rectified.

 - a) Receipts: None – Noted.
 - b) Payments: Clerks Salary, HMRC, Digital recorder £25.59. – All agreed unanimously.
 - c) Grant requests: None. Mr Brandt informed the meeting that the previously discussed possible grant for audio/visual equipment for the village hall will no longer be required as an alternative funding source has been found, the equipment should be installed at the end of May
 - d) Audit exemption – The Council agreed that exemption from a full audit should be sought.
- 10. PLANNING MATTERS**
 - a) Applications: 23/00522/HSE - Erection of detached timber garage with loft over.
Chilthorne Knapp Chilthorne Hill Chilthorne Domer Yeovil – The Council discussed the application and had no objection to the proposal, subject to some conditions being imposed by the Council, the roof tiles should be slate to match neighbouring

properties, the building should remain as ancillary to the main dwelling and not be enclosed, and the use should remain as parking.

b) Decisions: None

c) Appeals: None

11. **CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE** – The clerk informed the meeting regarding some correspondence received regarding the bus stops on the Well-Yeovil route; waste bin services from the Council; and road closure processes for events.
12. **BROADBAND** – An update has been received from Wessex Internet, there is a need for an alternative route and as such the delivery of broadband to the Parish probably won't be until June at least.
13. **VILLAGE HALL** – Mr Brandt informed the meeting that the Church will be holding a café in the village hall on Good Friday. The Hall is doing reasonably well, but obviously due to the current concerns regarding utility costs this may change.
14. **RECREATION TRUST** – There is an event planned for the Coronation, the bar will be opened, however, there are currently some issues in finding volunteer staff cover. The solar panels are currently covering approximately 30% of the energy usage and there are measures being taken to reduce energy consumption.
15. **ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN** – Mr Brandt asked if there was any update on the status of the refugee housing at the Halfway House, the clerk reported that following a conversation the plans are still to house refugees but not at this time, the owner has offered to come and talk to the Parish Council as/when things change, this offer was gratefully received. Mr Brandt asked the clerk to contact Yeovil Without regarding their recent works to fingerposts. Further efforts are to be made to refurbish the railings around the war memorial. The meeting was informed that the potholes on Chilthorne Hill have been filled again.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:18
16. **DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS – 4 MAY 2023.**