



MINUTES OF HIGH HAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT HIGH HAM VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY 25th June 2019

Present: Dave Vigar (Chairman), Andrew Davidson, John Vigar, Clare Paul (County Councillor)

V Young (Clerk).

Approx: 7 parishioners

Meeting opened at 7.30pm.

1) **Apologies**, Robert Webb, Chris Palmer, Amanda Chuter, Paul Brunson, Gerard Tucker (District Councillor).
The meeting was confirmed as quorate.

2) **Declarations of Interest on agenda items:** None

3) **Open Discussion:**

Verge trimming discussed. Pothole at cradle bridge reported. School bus stopping on Cemetery tarmac and causing damage – Clare to contact School and transport people at highways. Broken curb reported at the Picts Hill junction.

4) **Councillors reports**

Clare's report had been forwarded to all Councillors prior to the meeting. Noted that there was a short window between September and November to claim the health and well being projects small grants of up to £125. Update given on restructuring on Somerset River Authority, Somerset Waste Partnership. The tight budget for adult and child care had been highlighted on BBC Panorama.

Gerard's report forwarded to meeting in written format. Gerard challenging the timing etc and process by which parish councils notified of planning application as well as the time frame to decide applications.

5) **Approval of Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting held on 28th May 2019 were approved as a true record. John Vigar to speak with Mike Tottle re churchyard lights.

6) **Planning Applications for consideration**

a)19/01372/FUL – Land North of Chapel Cottage, Windmill Road, High Ham, TA10 9DL

Change of use of land to equestrian and the erection of a stable and a separate storage building. This application met with no objections.

7) **Planning Applications Decided**

An appeal receipt for The Heights had been received by the inspectorate at Bristol.

Reference 19/01430/AGN – Land Off Mildmays Road High Ham Langport Somerset TA10 0QX – Notification of intent to erect an agricultural building for storage of fodder or produce. - Approved

8) **Matters for Consideration**

8a) - **Enhancements at the Green** - Ongoing. Fold down bollards ordered. Quote waited for oak bollards. There was an extra bollard to go on the small green.

8b) **Highways –After meeting** with Highways office had taken place re flashing school signs to flash 20mph – matters were ongoing regarding the installation and the positioning of the posts had been agreed. The fingerpost project was still ongoing and making good progress.

8c) **Parish Lengthsman /Cemetery work /Millennium Wood**

Lengthsman Report

May - 38hrs

417 remain

May to June 21st tasks include

- Millennium Wood grass cutting x 2



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- Visibility splays strimmed
 - Cemetery grass cutting x 2
 - Cemetery - removal of overhanging branches from lychgate and store shed
- Wb. 24th Little Green 2x bollards to be installed

Volunteer Footpath Strimmer

May/June

- Cemetery grave edges strimmed x2
- Footpath strimmed - enclosed section L12/36 beyond Pipers Ash

nb.

1. Tony Whitford has volunteered to continue strimming grave edges until further notice.

Nick Fear - still awaiting SCC RoW training

2. When Tony took on the role, HH PC asked Tony to submit invoices for fuel used. He has declined to be reimbursed.

Nick MUST be encouraged to submit invoices.

3. SCC RoW supplied Tony with the following equipment - I assume Nick will 'inherit' the collection.

1x Stihl FS460 brush cutter with brush blade, guard and manual

2 x mowing heads

2 x mowing guards

1 x Stihl Headgear G500 with visor/ear muffs

1 x Stihl harness

1 x First aid pouch

1 x Stihl 5L fuel container

1 x sign 'Men at Work'

1 x laminated map HH Parish footpaths

1 x SCC high viz jacket - replacement requested

8d) Millennium Wood. – Reported that it was looking in very good condition and getting quite a few visitors including an mini bus of small children from a nursey school in Bridgwater.

8e) Village Hall –Next Village Hall meeting was Wednesday 15th July

8f) CLT –The new board had now been elected.

8g) Playing Fields –

8h) Sids/Other Gerard Tucker had held a meeting with Dave Vigar and Amanda Chuter and Aller and Long Sutton representatives. Dave Vigar had volunteered for High Ham and also Gerard had volunteered to be trained for Chapter 8 Highways training. Would need details finalising as it may be that the lengthsmen might have the supervisor qualification and could act as the supervisor.

The Picts Hill SIDs were still being followed up.

Re parking at school the PCSO will try to get there at drop off times to advise on parking as necessary.

The cemetery quotes were reviewed. Dave Vigar proposed, seconded by John Vigar and carried unanimously that the quote for £3640 be accepted to put back how they should be including repair to outer wall.

The cemetery side gates quotes were reviewed (metal working). It was agreed to accept the quote for £2013.00

Roger Lucken had offered to repair the notice board at the green, but this would require temporary removal but would make it water tight again. Roger Lucken to be contacted regarding work on the board when convenient for the council to remove the board.

9) Correspondence. None other than that already discussed.



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11) Summary of Meetings attended. – Training meetings and dates discussed at the May meeting had all been booked.

12) Financial

The following payments were authorised

Clerk wages (gross) and expenses – £330.54

Parish Lengthsman - £511.88 + £70 additional work

Came & Company Insurance - £1012.26

D Plant - £700.00

SSDC-Election Fee - £289.77

13) Matters of Report and items for next meeting

Bank mandate, lecturn and the pound.

14) Date of Next Meeting

The Date of the next meeting would be 23rd July 2019 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 20:45.