

Full Council

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting
held in The Council Chamber, The Town Hall on:
Tuesday 7th January 2020 @ 7:00pm

Present:

Parish Councillors; Mr Austin Fletcher (Chairman), Ms Lucy MacArthur, Mr Tim Carty, Mr Philip Lock, Mrs Elaine Stewart, Mr T. Campbell.

In attendance:

South Somerset District Councillor; Sarah Dyke
Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer; Simon Pritchard
6 Members of the public.

Public comment time:

- What is happening about the installation of a puffing crossing at Crackmore Garage over the A30. This was to be completed out of the County Councillors, William Wallace's small improvement fund. Cllr Wallace wasn't at the meeting, but Cllr Campbell replied that it had been reported to the Council that things were moving forward.
- Station Road planning apps (18/0259/OUT & 18/02409/OUT). Were members aware that a similar application had already be rejected and that the school cannot cope with 30 news houses. Cllr Carty responded that the history of the site was well understood, and that SCC had objected to the application for 30 homes for just that reason, however it had not objected to the application for 10 homes.
- A member of the public asked what was happening about the vacant seat on the Council – The Clerk reported that the Council would advertise this over the next month in the local mag, website, e.newsletter and on Facebook and that co-option would be on the February agenda.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
1	<u>Apologies for Absence:</u> Mr R. Douglas – Work Commitments. Mr R. Tizzard – Holiday. Mr Joshua Howes – Work Commitments. Ms Deborah Barsby – Holiday. Mr Ted Watts. Mr Clive Laughton – Personal Engagement. Mr W. Wallace – Family Funeral.
2	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> No declarations of interest.
3	<u>Adoption of Minutes:</u> • Tuesday 1st October 2019 • Tuesday 3rd December 2019 The Minutes had been previously circulated to member by email and had been posed onto the council's website.

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	Cllr Carty proseed that the minutes of Tuesday 1st October were a true record of the meeting and that the Council adopt them, seconded by Cllr Lock and resolved unanimously. Cllr Stewart proposed that the minutes of Tuesday 3rd December were a true record of the meeting and that the Council adopt them, seconded by Cllr Campbell and resolved unanimously.
5	<u>Reports from County Councillor William Wallace & District Councillor Sarah Dyke:</u> South Somerset District Council (SSDC): Councillor Dyke; ▪ Gauntlet Cottage: Now that the planning appeal has been dismissed by the planning inspector the District Council will start enforcement action. The Parish Council should now assess the requirement of any further yellow lines in the parish and make the appropriate request to Somerset County Council. ▪ The SSDC Planning Committee will be resolving upon the Coombe Hill Farm planning app on the 15th January (19/01680/OUT) ▪ Congratulations to the Neighborhood Planning group who have now formally had the whole parish designated as being the area the new plan will be for. ▪ Has the Parish Council seen that SSDC are giving away some tress? – The Clerk confirmed it had and that the Council had put its name in the hat. Draw to take place on February 7th ▪ The Somerset Waste Partnership is now rolling out its recycle more project, keep an eye out for the changes – The Clerk informed the meeting that the W.I had organized an open meeting on the same and had an officer from the SWP coming to the meeting. ▪ Brexit emergency planning: more details on the SSDC website. Somerset County Council (SCC): Councillor Wallace; Had sent apologies, no report received.
5	<u>Parish Council Payments:</u> The Payments schedule had been circulated to Members ahead of the meeting and was displayed on the noticeboard and website. It was proposed by Cllr MacArthur to make the payments listed, seconded by Cllr Carty and resolved unanimously.
6	<u>Recommendations from Committees:</u> None to consider this month.
7	<u>Planning Applications:</u> Reference 18/02859/OUT Address Land OS 0059 Station Road Milborne Port Sherborne Dorset Proposal Outline application for residential development for up to 30 dwellings including access and highway works (Revised application) Reference 18/02409/OUT Address Land OS 0059 Station Road Milborne Port Sherborne Dorset

	Proposal Outline application for residential development for up to 10 dwellings including access and highway works (Revised application) Cllr Carty reported to the Council that little had changed since SSDC and the planning inspector had rejected an application on this site for 56 new homes. The access hasn't changed, just the land to be included as part of the site. Cannot see how a pavement can be built without going over someone front garden. The resident in question hasn't be approached by the developer. Cllr Carty declared an interest as he owns the land on the other side of the road. Has the sewage requirement has been overlooked, this should be highlighted to SSDC. Cllr Carty proposed that the Council repeat its objection to both 18/02859/OUT & 18/02409/OUT, seconded by Cllr MacArthur and resolved unanimously. Reference 19/03013/HOU Address 2 Bugle Cottages, Bugle Cottage Rd, Charlton Horethorne, DT9 4PR Proposal Erection of a single storey front and side extension. While this application is in Charlton Horethorne Parish it had been sent to the Parish Council as well as it is on the parish border. Cllr Carty proposed No Objection, seconded by Cllr Lock and resolved unanimously.
8	<u>Parish Council Precept 2020/21:</u> The Clerk had prepared a PowerPoint giving details of the current year's budget and the requirements from the committees for budget in the year to come. Members were presented with an option to precept at £130,145 as the total amount of budget requests received or to go for the RFO's recommendation of £115,659 as part of a budget where things had been cut as tight as possible. It was proposed by the Chairman that the Council should set its precept at £115,659 for 2020/21, seconded by Cllr Campbell and resolved 5 in favour: 1 against. Cllr Carty commented that he had voted against as he felt the Council needed to set a higher budget to cover the increasing number of projects the Council is becoming involved with.
9	<u>Grants Working Group:</u> It was agreed to appoint Councillors Stewart & Lock to the form the working group. A further opportunity to join the group will be on a future agenda.
10	<u>Appointment of Reps to Outside Organizations:</u> A. The Village Hall – Will bring back to a future meeting B. The SSDC Market Towns Group – It was agreed for Cllr Fletcher to join Cllr Carty as the two reps.

Verbal Reports:**A. Chairman's report:**

- The Speed Watch group has completely folded. The Council needs a Highways Champion to co-ordinate all efforts including the SID, grant funding and all road safety. Two members of the public had expressed an interest, Councilors MacArthur and Fletcher also willing to be involved. A meeting will be arranged of interested persons.

B. Clerk's report:

- SALC is looking for nominations for a person to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party. This person would have to be a former long serving member and Chairman.
- The Clerk reminder members about the email he had sent around with regards to the training that SALC has on offer over the next few months. To date he had only had one reply.
- The Clerk confirmed what had been said in the public participation before the meeting that the Council would be co-opting next month. This would be publicized in the local mag, Facebook, website and e.newsletter.

C. Reports from outside organizations:

None

D. Member's reports:

- Cllr Stewart, Chairman of the HR Committee, reported that the current vacancy for an assistant to the Clerk had received 13 applications all to a very good standard. An interview panel will carry out between 4 to 6 interviews.
- Cllr Stewart had found some grant funding for water fountains
- Cllr Carty reported that a phone conference had taken place with Redcliffe, meeting had a positive atmosphere while no new promises were made. A rough sketch has been set to them to demonstrate what the footpath could look like on the other side of the road. Bazzleways residents appear to be taking their own legal action against the homes being so close to existing buildings. Cllr Campbell felt that after two years of the Council getting nowhere with Redcliff the Parish Council needed to up the ante.

End of formal meeting 21:08

Signed: _____ Date: _____