

Pitcombe Parish Council

Minutes of the Pitcombe Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th December 2022.

Present: Councillors R. Waller, M Hutton, C White.

In attendance: County Councillor Lucy Trimnell , 1 member of the public. Mrs Tuck, clerk.

The member of the public was given opportunity to talk, he had come in case there were questions on his planning application.

2022.96 Apologies were received from Michael Fysh, Mark Groom County Councillor T Power, district Councillor Robin Bastable.

2022.97 Declaration of Interest – None

2022.98 Minutes of the last meeting: 1 amendment to make, there were 3 Members of the public present not 2 as previously stated. Clerk to amend.

2022.99 Matters Arising: Sexey's Elm Field. Council to email PCSO Daniel Humphrey/ Sgt Green as there is illegal parking on a dangerous junction causing concern to local residents. Are police able to attend 3.25-4.15pm during term time to see what goes on. Councillor Trimnell thinks PCSO Humphrey is leaving so she will talk to Sgt Green and pass on her email address.

2022.100 To receive reports

Cllr Trimnell says SSDC is winding down, rapidly 4 out of 5 of the last meetings have been cancelled. SCC are ramping up and are busy but no planning resolution yet. The licensing constitution is rewritten. There is a black hole in finances. Cllr Waller stated the planning is of concern to the Council but he was told its in hand and not to worry the area system will continue or 1 large planning department in Taunton, unfortunately we're losing Cllr Bastable who is trained in planning SCC don't want to put it to the LCN's. Statutory Services have to be legally compliant on 1st April. They are still trying to recruit planners in SSDC. Is there someone with planning in an area of responsibility on the New Council? Could we write to the leader of the Council, Bill Revens or to Liz Lation Deputy Leader ?

No reports from Cllr Power or Cllr Bastable, the police report was emailed to Councillors.

2022.101 Planning applications, footpaths and road closures.

i. To consider new planning applications

	Application number	Proposal	Location
a)	22/02857/HOU	Demolish existing garage and build home office/garden store outbuilding 15 th December	Priddles Hill House Lime Kiln Lane Pitcombe Bruton Somerset BA7 7LX

a) The Council is happy to support this application

ii. Update on Planning applications currently under consideration by Local Planning Authority all applications are still awaiting decisions - None advised

iii. Outcome of Planning applications considered at previous meetings:

22/02304/S73 Hill House Sunny Hill To Bruton Road Pitcombe Bruton Somerset BA10 0NU S73 application to remove condition 2 of approval 03/02056/FUL for Erection of a two storey dwelling house (Occupation of dwelling by person employed by Bruton School for Girls). **Application permitted**

iv. Footpaths – Mrs Fone not in attendance, Lancombe Lane needs attention, overgrown, barbed wire fence down. Report on Roam.Somerset.

v. Temporary Road Closures

None advised this time.

vi. Finger posts Update The quote from Somerset Forge has been accepted they will let us know when they are due to start the work, likely to be in the Spring.

2022. 102

Correspondence

An email has been received from Mr Hodges to say the grant for Pitcombe Parish News is not needed this year. Castle Cary library grant form still not returned.

2022. 103 Finance

Cheques approved for payment,

Clerks salary The new pay scale was approved from next month, backdated to April 2022.

HMRC tax

Milborne Port Computers

ii The precept form has been received from SSDC, the draft budget was reviewed and updated and agreed at £7291 for 23/24.

2022.104 Council Matters:

a) Bridge/parapet in Pitcombe Paul Tucker has been emailed again but not replied. Clerk asked to contact him again for an update please.

b) Purchase of dog waste bin from Glasdon UK clerk has emailed to ask for a quote for the bin and all the parts needed to install the bin as the prices have gone up since we first looked at this,

c) The future of Bruton School for Girls Site Cllr Jones from Bruton Town Council to assist with the form for ACV. Clerk met with him once and will meet again once form is completed. Cllr Waller, Cllr Jones and Kings Bursar and head have met again. Cllr Waller updated the Councillors by email.

d) Pitcombe Rock Falconry. Council to send email to the landowner in Cole and Pitcombe Rock Falconry, stating the we understand nothing will be built above ground until appropriate planning has been sought, parking is the biggest issue.

e) Cllr Hutton asked about Contingency planning and the letter we had received, whether it should be someone from the community or a Councillor.

The Chairman wished to remember Willie Constantine, a great member of the community who has sadly passed away.

2022.105 Items for next agenda

Please note this item can only be used for statements of information and requests for items to be included on the agenda at the next meeting.

2022 106 Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 10th January 2023.

The meeting closed at 9:15 pm

Anne Tuck

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