

Pitcombe Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Pitcombe Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 5th July 2022.

Present: Councillors R. Waller, N Hartnell, C White, M Fysh, A Wells, M Hutton
In attendance: County Councillor, Mrs Lucy Trimnell, District Councillor R Bastable, Mrs Fone PPLO, Mrs A Tuck, clerk.

Cllr Waller opened the meeting at 7.30pm.

2022.52 Apologies were received from Cllr Groom who may appear later due to work commitments and County Councillor Tom Power.

2022.53 Declaration of Interest None.

2022.54 Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

2022.55 Matters Arising:
None

2022.56 To receive reports.

- i. Cllr Trimnell reported that Somerset County Council is within the top 100 excellent employers for apprentice employees. There is now an integrated care board made up of 2 boards from 2 separate hospitals with an opportunity for the hospitals to work together.
- ii. District Council Cllr Bastable – very little to report, SSDC officers are preparing the transition to Somerset County Council, winding down but business as usual, little has changed.
- iii PCSO No report.

2022.57 Planning applications, footpaths and road closures.

i. To consider new planning applications

	Application number	Proposal	Location
a)	22/01693/FUL	Use of land for the resiting of 1 mobile home for occupation by an agricultural worker (following three year temporary approval under permission 18/03731/FUL) -	Land East of Ridge Lane Hadspen Castle Cary Somerset

a) After discussion the Council 's opinion is that they do not object to this application but have concerns of overall conditions of the site as they have not having met former conditions regarding light pollution and disposal of slurry. Proposed Cllr Wells, 2nd Cllr White, All in agreement.

ii. Update on Planning applications currently under consideration by Local Planning Authority all applications are still awaiting decisions

a) 22/01222/DOC1 Land West Of Cattle Hill Welham Castle Cary Somerset Discharge of Condition No.4 (Timing of works, Nesting Birds) for Planning Application 21/03703/FUL. Decision unknown

b) 22/01256/DOC1 Gants Mill Cottage, Gants Mill Lane, Bruton, Somerset BA10 0DB. New window in existing opening, internal alterations including modification to shower room, new bathroom and associated services including vents, and removal of external pipework Appeal status Unknown

c) 21/03703/FUL Land west of Cattle Hill, Welham, Castle Cary Construction of hard surfaced estate track road and associated landscaping to provide to provide link for electric buggy use from existing track west of Welham Fm southwards to Roman Villa and Museum Status Unknown – however the newt could tell us at the last meeting this had been approved so the SSDC planning website is not up to date.

d) 21/03400/FUL Manor Farm And Avalon Farm Galhampton Hill Galhampton Yeovil Somerset BA22 7AE, Construction of a bridge across the A359 and associated estate track and landscape works – awaiting decision

e) 21/03664/FUL Avalon Farm Galhampton Hill Galhampton Yeovil Erection of new food production and food storage / delivery building (Use Classes B2/B8), erection of food production / office building (Use Classes B2/E) and associated access and landscape works (revised proposals to those approved

under 20/01357/FUL) as amended by drawings and further information received 7 June 2022

f) 22/01174/FUL Land At Mill Lane Pitcombe Proposed erection of an agricultural storage building awaiting decision

g)21/02143/FUL Land Adjoining Grove Farm Quarry Lime Kiln Lane Hadspen Castle Cary Somerset BA7 7NX Application for the change of use of land for the siting of 3 No. safari tents to provide holiday accommodation - see email from Robin Bastable his reply required by 6th July. The Council discussed this further, they have reservations and decided to do no more about this and let their previous comments stand.

iii. Outcome of Planning applications considered at previous meetings:

None advised.

iv. Footpaths – Mrs S Fone was welcomed in her capacity as PPLO (Public Paths Liaison Officer), Cathy Brook previous did this and did a good job. Mrs Fone will liaise between walkers and Eve Wynn to remedy faults on rights of way. It would not be her job to talk to land owners but pass information onto E Wynn. Mrs .Fone had previously promoted rights of way in North Cadbury Parish, and had written 4 circular walks, to start with followed by another 4 later, and she explained how and offered to do the same for Pitcombe. This can be funded by a grant from Somerset Community Field Funding through the Parish Clerk Organisation which still exists and has funds each year. This would be a project to benefit the community. Mrs Fone also told of an interactive map where you can identify faults on footpaths. Cllr White to explore the process with Mrs Fone and to mapping some routes together. The style at the top of lane on the Cole to Wyke road is really tricky where the path joins Trendle Lane. SF happy to demonstrate how to use the website which can be found at roam.somerset.gov.uk
To be discussed again in November's meeting. Cllr Hutton said as a new resident of Pitcombe it was nice to hear about roam somerset.

At this point Ewan Jones for Bruton Town Council Joined the meeting

v. Temporary Road Closures

None advised this time.

vi. Finger posts Update Cllr Wells has spoken to Shaun Nash who is still waiting to hear from the Foundry.

vii) Highways nothing to report

2022.58 Correspondence

None

2022.59 Finance

i Clerks salary x 2 months as no meeting in August, Clerks expenses and Inland Revenue cheques were agreed for payment and signed,

ii Financial report was checked and bank reconciliations checked by Cllr Hartnell.

2022.60 Council Matters:

a) Bridge/parapet in Pitcombe had an email from Paul Tucker @Somerset Bridges work ongoing, Cllr Hartnell wanted to know what Mr Tucker thought needed doing and will email him.

b) Purchase of dog waste bin from GlasdonUK are £126.20 – Clerk has contacted Street Scene to enquire about siting and servicing the bin a 25L bin will be added to the weekly collection, we need to advise them when we have the bin. IT is to be sited at the entrance to Rye Ash Field. The expenditure for the bin was proposed by Cllr Hartnell and seconded by Cllr Fysh, Clerk to order the bin and contact Streetscene when it arrives.

c) The future of Bruton School for Girls Site. Cllr Jones update the Council on what he knew about the school site. As the school is in Pitcombe Parish Cllr Jones has offered to support Pitcombe PC with applying for an application of Asset to the Community for the astro turf and car park under the community right to bid 2012. Where we could raise the money in the community to purchase and maintain it. The astro turf hockey pitch is used by Bruton Hockey Club, Buckhorn Weston hockey Club, Somerset County

Hockey Club, Bruton and one other Football club and Sexeys School. We need to register our concern as a loss to the community but its no good without the car park. Hobhouse Theatre also used by Community by Hauser & Wirth and The Filling Station Kings Plan to moth ball the site for 12 months, they may or may not use 1 or 2 boarding houses for girls. Mr Rogers staying on site to keep it safe. It was also discussed whether to apply for listing of Old House to protect the building. We could apply on behalf of the community all other buildings on site would get associated listing – the owners cant object but there would be fees and costs. Cllr Wells will get the forms to peruse and see what is involved and what any downsides may be.

2022.61 Items for the 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.

2022.62. Date of the next Parish Council meeting: Tuesday 13th September 2022 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8:55pm

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