

MUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL Thursday 26 July 2018 at Mudford Village Hall at 7pm

PUBLIC SESSION. Members of the public raised the following

Request for new Parish Council noticeboard as the current one was not fit for purpose. A smaller noticeboard was suggested whereby parishioners were referred to the website for further information.

APP/R3325/W/18/3201990 Carrs of Yeovil. Existing sewage pump currently inadequate and will not accommodate further use. The water pipes also not fit for purpose or further use. Work had begun on TPO willow trees bordering the site, this had been reported to the Tree Officer at SSDC and had been halted.

14/02554/OUT Up Mudford. Query about whether the attenuation ponds would be the subject of a separate application – it was believed that this was the case.

Tor View Close – further reports of issue reported at previous meeting. Apparently illegal vehicles were being photographed in suspicious circumstances. This had been reported by residents to the police but was ongoing.

1	<p>Attendance and to receive any apologies for absence and to consider acceptance of the reasons. Present: Stephen Bartlett (SB), Tony Cavalier (TC) Nick Lanigan (NL) Geraldine Mabey (GM) Kay Mackenzie (KM) June Lydon (JL) In attendance: Mike Lewis (County Councillor) from 730pm. Tony Capozzoli (District Councillor) Sue Graham (Clerk) 1 member of the public. Resolved: It was proposed and unanimously agreed to accept apologies from Phil Sargent, Jean Jones (village hall committee) Lawrence Weir (footpaths)</p>				
2	<p>Declarations of Interests. There were no declarations</p>				
3	<p>Reports. To hear reports from: County Councillor. Mike Lewis reported the following: Somerset Libraries were running a summer reading competition for young people. Somerset County Council had a large overspend in children’s services (£18m) the number of looked after children for which the Council was responsible was much higher than anticipated. This would be the subject of study by ‘People Too.’ A question was asked about progress with the A359 small improvement scheme - ML reported that the Traffic Engineers would be considering this. The clerk reported that she had written to the Police Chief Constable as agreed at the previous meeting. A response had been received stating that the neighbourhood beat sergeant would be in contact. District Councillor. Tony Capozzoli reported the following: Redundancies at SSDC had left the planning department short of staff. Agency staff had been employed to clear the black log but were not always familiar with the local area. Councillors expressed concern about this. Val Keitch was the new Leader of the Council. Tony Capozzoli was now the Chair of the District Council. Hadspen House - A Roman settlement has been uncovered, this was now the subject of an archaeological dig. The plan was to open to the public in the future. Residents had reported that the route through Ashington was being used as a ‘rat run’ Cycle Path – an update would be available for the next meeting. Police. The police were not present. Village Hall Committee. Jean Jones had sent apologies but sent the following report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of village hall events had been sent to the pub • Pantomime for 2019 was being planned • Mudford Players would be holding a social evening on August 3rd • The AGM had been rescheduled for 31 August • A Macmillan Coffee morning would take place on Thursday 27th September. Parish Environment Warden. Pile of rubble had been cleared from West Mudford Road. Clerk. The clerk reported that following the resignation of Geraldine Mabey, the Parish Council vacancy had been advertised as per the requirements of the local Government Act 1972. There had not been a request for an election. Therefore the vacancy would be filled by co-option at the August meeting.</p>				
4	<p>To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 June 2018 RESOLVED: It was proposed and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting held.</p>				
5	<p>To consider the following planning applications and make recommendations to the planning officer</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">Ref</th> <th>Detail</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>APP/R3325/W/18/3201990</td> <td>Advice of appeal receipt in respect of 18/00714/OUT Outline application for erection of a</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref	Detail	APP/R3325/W/18/3201990	Advice of appeal receipt in respect of 18/00714/OUT Outline application for erection of a
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building. Former Carrs of Yeovil, Main Street, Mudford. It was noted that the original Parish Council comments in relation to his application would be sent to the inspector. Councillors also wished to add that there was inadequate capacity within the current sewage system to accommodate additional use, and the outline plans showed insufficient detail of how provision for this would be made.

6	To receive the following determination of planning notices: The following notices were read out		
	18/01366/FUL	The erection of a single storey extension to dwelling. Broadview Farm ,Mudford Hill,Mudford,Yeovil,BA21 5SP	Application permitted with conditions

7 Other planning matters
Report public notice in Western Gazette- consultation by Boyer Planning on application 14/02554/OUT and agree any actions arising. Comments were made as follows:

- This was an inadequate consultation process.
- The inference that the plans would available to view on the SSDC website was incorrect.
- The plans available on the Boyer planning website were unclear and difficult to view.
- There had been no opportunity to ask questions about the amendments as would be expected for a public consultation, for example it was not clear if the trees along Lyde Road would be retained.
- A face to face public consultation would be preferable.
- Original observations made in response to the EIA remained unanswered, notably in relation to Highways / Transportation; Landscape; Flooding and Anthrax about which detailed reports had been submitted.

Resolved: It was proposed and unanimously agreed to send the above observations to Boyer planning, along with a copy of the original response to the EIA and a note that the PC would welcome the opportunity for Boyer planning to share their plans and ideas with the Parish Council and the people of Mudford.

8 Council Matters
Cemetery

- Cemetery headstones risk assessment. There was nothing further to report.
- There had been a burial and interment since the previous meeting
- The cemetery caretaker had reported that KM Dike had been maintaining the cemetery to a high standard. Positive comments had been received following a recent interment.

Playing Field and Play area

- To receive playing field inspection reports from the relevant councillor and agree any actions arising. NL had completed the weekly inspections. There was nothing out of the ordinary to report. The SSDC quarterly inspection had been received. A few minor issues had been reported, NL would check these during his next inspection.
- Playing field development – update. Report Terms of Engagement with Sports and Play Consulting Ltd and agree any actions arising. The terms of engagement had been agreed, signed and returned.

Highways and Parish Paths. To receive reports regarding highways and agree any actions arising.

- The hedging on the path between Hales Meadow and Main Street had now been cut back.
- SB reported that quotes had been received for repairs to the wall on the public right of way in order to prepare for the footbridge being reinstated. The works would be carried out in line with the cheapest quote. This had been budgeted for under Parish Projects.
- The Pot holes around Hinton had been repaired
- Land (verge) on which Chestnut trees are sited is getting overgrown. The clerk would ask Streetscene if this could be cut.
- Notice of Road Closure: RCNSS10076 - Manor Farm Road and Green Acres Lane, Mudford (29.08.2018-31.08.2018)

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS:
To approve the following payments and two signatories for cheques. RESOLVED: It was proposed and unanimously agreed to approve the following payments, TC and PS to sign cheques

Salaries	July 2018	£524.91
Nest Pension	July 2018	£28.10
Postage telephone and mileage	July 2018	£22.36
SALC	Responding to planning applications training	£90.00
KM Dike Nurseries	Verge, cemetery and playing field maintenance	£1104.52
A&R Windows	Cemetery chapel windows	£2080.00
CAB	Grant	£100.00

Other finance matters

To approve the cash book and bank account reconciliation for 28 June – 26 July 2018

Receipts & Payments June 28th – July 26th 2018			
	Balance 28/06/18		£ 80,900.56
RECEIPTS			
	Bank interest		£ 1.07
	Bank interest		£ 2.15
	burial fee		£ 100.00
Total Receipts			£ 103.22

PAYMENTS					
28/06/2018	Clerk's salary June 18			£	524.91
	Clerks pension June 2018 direct debit			£	28.10
	Postage and mileage reimburse clerk			£	28.24
	Cemetery litter bin			£	203.94
	Mileage			£	26.19
	Newsletter			£	41.50
	Cemetery caretaker			£	24.00
	Total Payments			£	876.88
BALANCE					£ 80,126.90
BANK ACCOUNT STATEMENTS					
Current Account			£	100.00	
Business Account			£	52,959.96	
Business Reserve Account			£	26,990.94	
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS			£	80,050.90	
Add outstanding lodgements			£	100.00	
Less outstanding payments					24
Balance					£ 80,126.90

To consider ytd budget expenditure. This was circulated and checked by Councillors

10	Youth Provision. Update. It was agreed to remove this item from the agenda
11	Village hall car park. Update. A report had been received from the village hall. It was agreed to remove this item from the agenda.
12	Correspondence. Consider the following correspondence and agree any actions arising: There was no correspondence for discussion.
13	LIST OF ITEMS DISTRIBUTED AND AVAILABLE SINCE LAST MEETING: Rural Services Network News Bulletins;; SWP newsletter; Legal Briefing re Ledbury Town Council JR and code of conduct investigations; County Lines (drug dealing) briefing; CPRE Affordable housing in rural communities; Chair of Civic council - invitation; Somerset County Council press release: Could you lend a hand to help restore Somerset's iconic fingerposts; SALC: Employment and finance training for Councillors; The Clerk Circular; Consultation: Bye Laws on Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI's)
14	Items for village newsletter. TPOs Village Hall Macmillan event
15	Challenge to development at up Mudford To resolve to exclude the press and public under s1 (2) Admissions to Public Meetings Act 1960 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. (professional advice) Planning Application 14/02554/OUT. Planning application 18/01767/COL. It was not necessary to exclude the public Receive update on legal / professional advice and consider any actions arising. There was nothing to report other than that minuted at item 7.
16	NEXT SCHEDULED PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: August 30th. Further meetings will be called as necessary.