

MUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN MUDFORD VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 26 JUNE 2014 COMMENCING AT 7.09 P.M.

Members are reminded that the Council has general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

OPEN SESSION

16. ATTENDANCE AND TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF THE REASONS.

Present: Stephen Bartlett, June Lydon and Michael Jones

Clerk: Zöe Godden

Two members of the public were present.

Apologies had been received from Geoff Brown and Yvonne Rowlands.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the reasons for absence as reported. The clerk was instructed to contact Mrs Brown to inform her that Geoff Brown will be replaced.

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

June Lydon declared a personal interest in item 21.

18. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 29 May 2014.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting.

OPEN SESSION

Stephen Bartlett reminded councillors and members of the public that there had been a public meeting on the preceding Friday to discuss planning application 14/02554/OUT. This outline planning application proposed developing a site at Primrose Lane. Stephen asked members of the public if they had some to comment on this meeting. Mr Cavalier expressed the concern that, even when a full planning application is received, the eventual development could be different to the original plans. He also mentioned a recent newspaper story detailing the level of S106 funding that has not been claimed by local town and parish councils. There followed a general discussion about the difficulties of holding developers to the conditions imposed on them via the planning permission process, including S106 agreements. Stephen noted the comments of the public and thanked them for their contributions.

19. TO HEAR REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS, POLICE, VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE, YARLINGTON HOMES, CLERK.

There were no matters to report.

20. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- (a) ELECTION OF TWO REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE SOMERSET ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS: Present representatives Mrs. Rowlands and Mrs Gane.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that Michael Jones would act as the SALC representative for the coming year.

- (b) ELECTION OF A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE:

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to defer this matter because there are so few members on the council at this time.

- (c) Confirmation of members of the staffing committee: Current member – Stephen Bartlett and Michael Jones.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that Stephen Bartlett and Michael Jones would sit on the staffing committee for the year to come.

21. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

14/02554/OUT– Abbey Manor Group, Outline application for development of Sustainable Urban Extension to comprise up to 765 dwellings, 65 bed care home, employment land (Use Class B1), retail units (Use Classes A1, A2, A3, A5), primary school, community building, health care facility, landscaping, open space and drainage infrastructure, access and associated highway works Upper Mudford, Primrose Lane, Yeovil, Somerset

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to submit the comments produced on the attached document, detailing the council's reasons for objecting to this application.

22. COUNCIL MATTERS:

- (a) To hear an update on the Community Speedwatch Scheme.

Michael Jones reported that the necessary equipment has been acquired and all volunteers had been trained. Michael said there was a list of back-up volunteers. The speed watch locations had been confirmed. The schedule was to be agreed at a meeting on Monday 30 June, but it was expected that the first Speedwatch would take place on Monday 14 July. Michael explained that, the first and second times someone is caught by a Speedwatch

camera, they receive a letter from the police, advising them to amend their driving habits. If they are caught a third time, the police visit them. If they are caught a fourth time, they will be actively targeted by police to monitor their speed.

(b) To hear an update on the recruitment of a new clerk and to decide a date for the interviews to take place.

Stephen Bartlett informed members that interviews would take place on 1st July at 7pm. The shortlist of applicants will be decided in a closed session after this meeting. The questions and test had been devised.

23. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

(a) To consider the end of year accounts; to agree the figures as presented; to agree the responses to the questions in section 2 of the Annual Return.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting.

(b) To approve the cash book and bank account reconciliation for May 2014 as presented.

MUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL					
	As at 26 June 14	Receipts & Payments since January 2014			
	RECEIPTS				
	TOTAL RECEIPTS				£ -
	PAYMENTS				
26/06/2014	Zoe Godden	Salary and expenses June 2014	1031	£ 642.79	
26/06/2014	HMRC	Tax and NICs	1032	£ 59.80	
	TOTAL CHEQUES				£ 702.59
	BANK ACCOUNTS				
	As at 27.03.2014				
	Current Account			£ 100.00	
	Business Reserve Account			£ 20,033.56	
	Bonus Saver Account	Opened 22.6.05		£ 26,810.47	
	TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS				£ 46,944.03
	CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE AT MEETING 26 JUNE 2014				
	NOT INCLUDED IN BANK BALANCES				

The cashbook and bank reconciliation were verified by June Lydon.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the bank reconciliation as presents.

(c) To approve the following accounts for payment and two signatories for cheques:-

Zoe Godden	Salary and expenses June 2014	£ 642.79
HMRC	Tax June 2013	£ 59.80

Invoices checked by June Lydon. Cheques signed by Stephen Bartlett and Michael Jones

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the payments as presented.

24. CORRESPONDENCE

- SCC, Road Closure notice at Yeovil March
- Thank you letter from Somerset Community Foundation for grant awarded to by the council to their flood relief fund.

25. LIST OF ITEMS DISTRIBUTED AND AVAILABLE SINCE LAST MEETING: Various emails.

The clerk informed the council that an additional planning application had been received since the publication of the agenda for this meeting. For expediency, Stephen Bartlett allowed this to be considered:

14/02774/FUL, Alterations and the erection of a two storey rear extension to dwellinghouse, Mr and Mrs S Faris, 11 Primrose Lane, Mudford. BA21 5SH

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed that the council has no objections to this application.

26. NEXT SCHEDULED PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Thursday 31 July 2014, Thursday 25 September 2014, Thursday 27 November 2014
Further meetings will be called as necessary usually on the last Thursday of the month.

The meeting closed at 20:21.