

NORTH VALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Holton Village Hall on Monday 17th April 2023

Present: David Young (Chair), David Badham-Thornhill, Graham Boaler, Jenny Chambers, Gillian

Freeman, Douglas Hodges, Janet Down, Simon Ford, Steve Prior.

Nicola Clarke (Unitary Councillor) Barry Druce (Clerk)

No members of the general public attended.

Apologies: none

Electors Question Time /Comments: No questions or comments were raised.

Unitary Councillors' Report: The written report previously received and circulated was taken as read and noted.

- **23.31 Declaration of Interest/Dispensations**: No declarations of interest were submitted.
- **23.32 Minutes of Last Meeting**: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 20th March 2023, as PROPOSED by Graham Boaler and SECONDED by Douglas Hodges, were approved and signed.
- **23.33 Matters Arising:** (a) referring to minute 23.27.3, the Clerk reported that advertisements had been placed but no response had yet been received.
- (b) Douglas Hodges reported that he had spoken with Wayne Pamphillion (Jazz Gardens) who had stated he was happy to continue with the contract for the cemetery, and would be willing to cut the hedge. The Clerk was instructed to find out what price he would charge for the hedge cutting and waste disposal.
- 23.34 Planning Applications: There were NO Planning Applications received since the previous meeting.
- 23.35: Planning Decisions The following Planning Decision was reported and noted:-
 - 23.35.1 **23/00158/HOU** Proposed two-storey extension to Thistledown, Holton Street, Holton Wincanton Somerset BA9 8AN **GRANTED**
- **23.36: Planning Other** The appeal that had been lodged in respect of the Planning Application for The Willows was discussed. Steve Prior referred to responses that had been made by the Appellant concerning the objections which had been submitted, and David B-T referred to the Appellant's written responses, and Graham Boaler reminded members of the previously submitted grounds of objection and the Clerk was instructed to resubmit the terms of objection that the Parish Council had previously submitted, to reinforce the stance that the Parish Council are taking.
- 23.37: Correspondence: All correspondence of interest received by email had previously been distributed and taken as read.
- 23.38: Financial Matters
- 23.38.1 Review balances as at 31st March 2023 The schedule was reviewed. The balance as at $31^{\rm st}$ March 2023 stands at £10,442.37
 - 23.38.2 Authorise Cheques The following items were authorised for payment:-
 - (a) Barry Druce Clerk's salary and expenses for March 2023 £286.90
 - (b) Holton Village Hall £60.00
 - (c) Holton Church £500.00
 - (d) Maperton Church £500.00
 - (e) North Cheriton Church £500.00



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23.38.3 - Lloyds Bank Business Online Service: On receiving the news that councillors had yet to receive any notifications from Lloyds Bank concerning On-line banking access, the Clerk undertook to make enquiries and follow this up.

23.39: Speed Indicator Device latest update – Simon Ford reported that he had finally been able to get hold of the Company and intended to take the device down to their workshop in Fordingbridge to get the chip replaced and back into working order.

23.40: Matters of report and items for next meeting.

23.40.1 The Chair reported that the bin in the lay-by was overflowing and needed emptying more regularly. Nicola Clarke undertook to chase this up with Somerset Council.

23.40.2 Steve Prior reported that various events were being planned for the Coronation Weekend in May and outlined the itinerary.

23.40.3 The next meeting will held on Monday 15th May 2023 at 7:30pm in Holton Village Hall.

The Meeting close at 8.50pm