

NORTH VALE PARISH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

.DRAFT MINUTES

.Monday 18th July 2022

.Holton Village Hall

Steve Prior signed his acceptance of office form.

Electors Question Time /Comments – none

County / District Councillors Reports – The County Councillors' report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Present: David Badham – Thornhill (Acting Chairman), Doug Hodges, Gillian Freeman, Janet Down, Simon Ford, Steve Prior & Graham Boaler.

In attendance: David Chapman (Clerk).

22.76 Apologies: Dave Young, Jenny Chambers, William Wallace and Hayward Burt.

22.77 Declaration of Interest/Dispensations: none.

22.78 Minutes of Last Meeting;

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 20th June 2022 were agreed, subject to a change to item 22.70 where the word 'not' was removed to confirm that the Gayle's Financial Trust had refused a request to pay for cutting the grass at the bus stop in North Cheriton. Once this change was made the minutes were signed.

22.79 Matters Arising from Minutes:

Clerk reported that Crestmoor has offered to install the new litter bin in the lay-by in Holton and has offered to make a contribution towards the purchase cost. The Clerk has spoken to SSDC to make sure that they will still empty it on a regular basis and they will make recommendations regarding the type and style of bin that they would like to see installed. It may be the case that they may be able to supply one.

Clerk reported that all the signatures for the form to set up a new bank account with Lloyds Bank have been obtained and that the form will now be submitted.

Clerk reported that the the new PCSO has written to the speed camera department to ask them to attend the B3145 Cheriton Hill, North Cheriton.

22.80 Planning Applications: none

22.81 Planning Decisions: none

22.82 Planning Other:

The concerns of local residents regarding a structure erected at a property in Holton were discussed. It was agreed that further enquiries regarding the owner's long term intentions for the structure should be made.

22.83 Correspondence:

22.83.1 Somerset County Council Traffic Engineer – it was confirmed that the new Traffic Engineer will look into improved signage on the B3145 at Cheriton Hill, North Cheriton and will discuss it with the new Somerset County Councillors.

22.84 E A Gale's Parish Lands Charity – nothing to report.

22.85 Financial Matters:

22.85.1 Review balances as at 30th June 2022. The schedule was reviewed. The balance as at 30th June 2022 stands at £14,687.88

22.85.2. Authorise Cheques:

101166 £100.00 SSCAT Bus – donation

101167 £302.13 D Chapman – Clerk's salary and expenses July 2022

101168 £207.00 Wayne Pamphilon – cemetery maintenance June and July

22.86 Speed Indicator Device:

Simon Ford reported that he has been encountering problems with the SID unit due to the ingress of water into some of the connectors and USB ports and that he will need to speak to the manufactures. He may need to take the unit back to them for modifications.

The latest data from the SID installation at the entrance to Holton was reviewed and discussed. Clerk will send the data to the PCSO.

22.87 Vacancy for Clerk - Clerk reported Barry Druce has been appointed as the new Parish Clerk and he will take up the roll from October. It was also reported that Mr Druce has some pre-booked holiday in October that would clash with preparing for the monthly meeting. Councillors agreed to put the October meeting back to Monday 24th October (one week later).

22.88 Co-option of Parish Councillor for North Cheriton:

Clerk reported that no applications have been received to fill the vacancy. Doug Hodges will speak to the person who had previously shown an interest.

22.89 Matters of report and items for next meeting:

22.89.1 The next meeting will held on Monday 15th August 2022 at 7:30pm in Holton Village Hall.

Doug Hodges reported that a local resident had said that SSE had been granted permission for the road closure in Cheriton Hill, North Cheriton. Clerk reported that Somerset County Council had said that SSE had a permit to erect traffic lights but not to close the road into North Cheriton.

Meeting closed at 8:20 pm

David Chapman – Parish Clerk

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