

# PURITON PARISH COUNCIL



Prior to the meeting the winners of the Good Citizen Awards for 2022 were presented with their certificates. John and Liz Rich for their contribution to fundraising for the Royal British Legion, Sue Mallet for help and support of elderly neighbours, Heidi Tiyar for work with the Willow Youth Theatre. Chris Gulliford accepted the award for Sue Mallet and will deliver it to her.

## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Present: Councillors S Langley, J Lunn, D Saunders, J Coleman and S Tizzard.  
County Councillor M Healey, Parish Clerk S Diaz and two members of the public.

- 23/1A To receive any apologies of non-attendance  
Councillors J Fletcher, B and V Crow sent their apologies.
- 23/1B To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda  
There were no declarations of interest.
- 23/1C To receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022.
- 23/1D To receive the County Councillors report.  
Councillor Healey reported that the Local Community Network will be divided into 18 areas, Puriton is included in with Burnham. A meeting will be held next week to determine the tier 2 directors.
- 23/1E To receive the Clerks report  
Steve Marchant has resigned as Councillor, SDC have been notified and notices placed on the website and notice boards.  
The Youth Club working party are meeting with Youth Unlimited to review the first quarter of the youth club.  
The working party for the assault course met with second and preferred supplier via zoom on Wednesday who has been to site now it has been cleared and will prepare a design to present in 4 weeks. I have contacted Zurich to get an idea on insurance and recommendations for best practice.  
I have spoken to the solicitor acting on our behalf for the mast, she has encounter family difficulties which has held up work, however she has advised that I contact them to advise of the delay and to ask why the amount offered is lower than the previous contract.  
I have followed up on the licence for the assault course and awaiting a response.  
The Probation Service will be working in the parish on Sundays and will do work on the paths to remove weeds, litter pick and any other work that could help the community. The

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clerk will provide a list to the supervisor and a notice will go in the newsletter if residents need any help with work in their gardens.

The clerk will respond to the email sent to the chairman from a resident regarding various plans in the parish.

23/1F To consider the land proposal at the old quarry as additional green space.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed that the proposal to purchase the old quarry for additional green space from the owner is not a matter that they can pursue and the clerk will inform the owner.

23/1G To consider the budget and precept request.

It was resolved to agree the budget and increase the precept to £64500 which is an increase of 7.5%. A band D property will pay an additional £4.45 per year on their council tax for the Parish Council.

23/1H To consider the following planning applications

Planning application number	Location	Proposal
42/22/00018	Land South of, Avalon, Downend Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6	Erection of 1no single store dwelling and detached garage.  The Parish Council are ratifying this response as a comment was submitted to Sedgemoor District Council on 15.12.22 due to meeting the deadline and delegated powers to the clerk to submit a response after consulting with the Council.  Puriton Parish Council support this application but would advise that the applicant be required to adopt all the flood mitigation measures listed in the flood risk assessment, (which are not listed in the plans).
42/22/00043	Land To The North Of, Northmead House, North Mead Drove, Puriton, Bridgwater	Variations of Condition 2 of Planning Permission 42/21/00031 (Approval of the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, for the erection of a dwelling.) to allow for the installation of Velux rooflights to the East & West elevations.  The Parish Council resolved to support this application and the installation of velux rooflights.

23/1I To note the outcome of the following planning applications:

The decisions were noted.

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Planning application number	Location	Decision
04/22/00009	Land to the North West of, Knowlehill Farm, Crancombe Lane, Bawdrip, Bridgwater, TA7	Awaiting decision
42/22/00033	11 Newlyn Crescent, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8BS	Granted
42/22/00035	Land To The South Of, Woolavington Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7	Awaiting decision
42/22/00038	7 Canns Lane, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8AZ	Granted
42/22/00040	15 Canns Lane, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8AZ	Granted
42/22/00039	7 Batch Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8BY	Awaiting decision
42/22/00034	Adjacent To A38 And North Of Dunball Roundabout, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6	Awaiting decision
42/22/00001	Land At, Dunball Roundabout, Puriton, Bridgwater, TA6	Awaiting decision
42/22/00002	Land At, Dunball Roundabout, Puriton, Bridgwater, TA6	Awaiting decision
42/21/00021	Land At Former, Royal Ordnance Factory (Gravity), Woolavington Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8AD	Awaiting decision
42/21/00009	Adjacent To A38 And North Of Dunball Roundabout, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6	Awaiting decision
42/21/00007	Installation of 17no. internally illuminated signs, 5no. non-illuminated graphic signs and 2no. internally-illuminated totem signs.	Awaiting decision

23/1J To approve the budget, bank statements and payments.  
 Payments received £105 advertising in the newsletter.  
 It was resolved to approve the budget, bank statement and payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
7.12.22	Puriton Playing Fields	Room Hire	£75.60
7.12.22	S Chick	Pump Track maintenance	£160.00
7.12.22	Wedmore IT	IT support	£15.00
7.12.22	Vile Construction	Youth club additions	£50.00
8.12.22	R Villis	Youth club decorations	£43.84
22.12.22	BT	Sports Centre Broadband	£45.54
22.12.22	DCF Garden Machinery	Mower service	£75.93
22.12.22	Sedgemoor District Council	Grounds maintenance	£177.60
22.12.22	Somerset Forge Ltd	Signage renovation	£234.00
23.12.22	EDF	Electric supply	£7.78
31.12.22	Unity Bank	Bank charges	£18.00
	Staff costs	December	£2907.67

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Date	Payee	Description	Amount
		Total	£3810.96

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## Councillor Reports

Councillor Tizzard reported that the trees had been cut back at the Manor. Tree planting along the new road has begun. The clerk will ask for an additional grit bin on Old Puriton Hill. The clerk will mention to Gravity that a grit bin is required for bad weather and the increase in litter along the new road.

Councillor Coleman advised that there had been 23 responses to the Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group will meet with the Consultant to discuss the responses and when all points have been considered and discussed the Draft Neighbourhood Plan will go to Sedgemoor District Council. A meeting with the local education authority is planned over the next few weeks.

Councillor Langley advised that company that Gravity asked to clear the area for the assault course have completed the work and done a great job. Trees have been chopped back and bat and bird boxes erected. They have also removed residual stumps on site.

The Christmas tree lighting event was a great success with many residents in attendance.

## Items for the next agenda

The next meeting will be Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7pm. End of minutes