

PURITON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 13th June 2023

Present: Councillors S Langley, J Fletcher, D Saunders, J Lunn, S Tizzard, B and V Crow.
Parish Clerk S Diaz and Somerset Councillor M Healey.
One member of the public.

The member of the public raised concerns on speeding and high volumes of traffic using Hillside to exit the village.

23/6A To receive any apologies of non-attendance.
Councillor J Coleman sent her apologies.

23/6B To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda
There were no declarations of interest on this agenda.

23/6C To receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th May 2023.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th May 2023.

23/6D To receive County Councillors report.
Councillor Healey circulated his report prior to the meeting but added he would request a Huntspill region for a local community network.

23/6E To receive the Clerks report

Complaints about fly tipping on Downend Road have been reported and the clerk has written to residents asking them for any information/footage of offenders so it can be reported to the police. A site survey was carried out on Thursday for the assault course. The filing cabinets have been cleared out from Village Hall.

I have approached YMCA about quoting to provide youth club provision and I am awaiting follow up.

A badger is burrowing at the pump track, I have asked Seed of Hope for suggestions of how to block the hole and prevent further damage in a safe way. The clerk will also contact Secret World.

25-30 people went to the nature reserve open afternoon with some signups for volunteering. A resident has asked who is responsible for the footpath on Webbers Way as it is uneven. As it is an unadopted path it is the residents of the estate's responsibility.

23/6F To consider street names for the Redrow Development on Woolavington Road.

It was agreed to send the following names from named fields and farms in the village to Somerset Council for the Redrow Development on Woolavington Road:

Springhead Road or Avenue

Wyndham Close, Road or Drive

Cherrymead Grove

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Cherry Croft Parade or Avenue
Lords Moor Close
Puxey Road
Barcroft Drive
Meadowland Avenue
Oxenhayes Road

- 23/6G To approve the Council's Asset Register 2023-24
It was agreed to approve the Asset Register and to add the 4 planters.
- 23/6H To review the Council's statement of internal control.
It was resolved to approve the statement of internal control.
- 23/6I To review the Councils Risk Assessments.
It was resolved to approve the Councils Risk Assessments.
- 23/6J To review the Council's bank signatories for internet banking.
It was agreed that Councillors Fletcher, Lunn, Saunders and Coleman would remain as signatories and that Councillors Langley and Tizzard would reactivate their internet banking.
- 23/6K To review the Council's Corporate Policy, including Financial Regulations and Standing Orders and Emergency plan.
It was resolved to approve the Councils Corporate Policy including the Emergency Plan.
- 23/6L To appoint a new internal auditor.
It was resolved that Richard Young will be the internal auditor for 2023-24.
- 23/6M To appoint members to the following committees: Staffing and Personnel, Grievance and Appeals.
It was agreed that Councillors S Langley, J Lunn and V Crow would be on the Staffing and Personnel Committee. J Fletcher, D Saunders and B Crow on the Grievance Committee and S Langley, S Tizzard and J Coleman on the Appeals Committee.
- 23/6N To discuss using a pre-paid credit card for online purchases.
It was resolved to add a pre-paid credit card for online purchases.
- 23/6O To consider the request from traffic management to move the Puriton sign on Woolavington Road to Puriton Park to allow 30mph signage.
It was resolved that the only location for the village sign could be further east on Woolavington Road at the Gravity roundabout to include the new housing development. If this location is not agreed the sign will stay in its original location.
- 23/6P To consider a representative to attend LCN meetings on behalf of the Parish Council.
It was resolved that Councillor Langley would represent the Parish Council at LCN meetings, Councillor V Crow would attend in his absence.

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23/6Q To consider the following planning applications

Planning application number	Location	Proposal
42/23/00007	26 Rowlands Rise, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8BU	Erection of single storey rear (North) extension and widening of driveway including a new drop kerb. It resolved to support the application as it is good use of the property footprint and will provide additional living space.

23/6R To note the outcome of the following planning applications:

Planning application number	Location	Proposal	Decision
42/23/00005	10 Manse Lane, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8BN	Erection of a two storey detached dwelling with associated parking.	Granted
42/22/00029	Land Off, Batch Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7	Change of use of land to private gypsy and traveller site, including 3no. pitches each with 1no. mobile home, 1no. utility/ dayroom and 1no. tourer caravan. Also with, parking provisions and associated works (retrospective).	Awaiting Decision
42/22/00018	Land South of, Avalon, Downend Road, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6	Erection of 1no. single storey dwelling and detached garage.	Committee 28.3
04/22/00009	Land to the North West of, Knowlehill Farm, Crancombe Lane, Bawdrip, Bridgwater, TA7	Redevelopment of the site for the erection of 6no. dwellings with integral garages and parking provisions. Also with improved access from Crancombe Lane and landscaping.	Awaiting Decision
42/22/00034	Adjacent To A38 And North Of Dunball Roundabout, Puriton, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6	Approval of the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, for the erection of 12no. units for Use Classes E(g), B2, B8 and trade counter (Sui Generis).	Awaiting Decision

The decisions were noted.

23/6S To approve the budget, bank statements and payments.

Vat refund received £8002.96, £540 received in newsletter advert payments.

It was resolved to approve the budget, bank statement and payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
23.5.23	BT	Broadband at Sports Centre	£54.18

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Date	Payee	Description	Amount
23.5.23	SALC	Councillor training	£30.00
23.5.23	Puriton Sports Centre	Room hire	£22.80
23.5.23	Media Edge	Newsletter printing	£726.00
23.5.23	S Chick	Pump Track maintenance	£220.00
23.5.23	R Young	Internal audit fee	£50.00
23.5.23	Puriton Sports Centre	Room hire-youth club	£33.60
23.5.23	EDF	Electric supply to Rye	£7.85
1.6.23	Miss A Scott	Plants for planters -donation to Alzheimers research	£200.00
1.6.23	SLCC	Clerk membership	£296.00
1.6.23	S Langley	Microsoft renewal	£79.99
	Staff Costs	May	£2224.97
		Total	£3945.39

23/6T To consider an additional defibrillator at the Sports Centre
It was resolved to purchase a lockable cabinet for the Sports Centre.

23/6U To consider site locations for a mobile Speed Indicator Device
It was resolved that there are insufficient suitable locations in the village for a Speed Indicator Device.

23/6V To consider the cost of a noticeboard at the Nature reserve
It was resolved to approve the cost of the noticeboard at the Nature Reserve of approximately £115-135.

23/6W Councillor reports.
Councillor V Crow reported that the debris of the accident on the A39 involving the lamppost were still on the grass verge and the clerk will report this to Somerset Council. Councillor Fletcher advised that the deposit for the lift at the Sports Centre has been paid and will be installed over the next few months. BBC Somerset are keen to do a breakfast show from the sports centre in the future.
The recent football tournament was successful.
Councillor Saunders asked when the grass would be cut on Middle St and Rye. The clerk has spoken to Somerset Council who said it is low priority and will be done in due course. Parking on the corner of Culverhay Close has raised concerns for emergency vehicles needing access. The clerk will ask the PCSO to do regular visits to the area.
Councillor Tizzard reported that the Jumble Trail had been a success and funds were raised toward the trim trail.

Items for the next agenda-Speeding and traffic on Hillside.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 7pm.

End of minutes