

## Minutes of Camerton Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 15 January 7.30 pm at Purbeck Stables

**Present:** Councillors: C Taylor, H Edwards, B Edwards, T Fry, S Collins, District Cllr Butters (from agenda item 6.5) **Clerk:** Kathryn Manchee

### 1. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Hutton and Sangan and District Cllr McCabe.

### 2. Declarations of Interests

None.

### 3. Dispensations

None.

### 4. Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting 26 November

The minutes of the meeting held 26 November having been previously circulated were proposed Cllr H Edwards seconded Cllr Collins as a true record of the meeting. Approved and signed by the Chair.

## 5 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

### 5.1 Parishioners' Matters

There were no parishioners matters raised that required any action from the parish council.

### 5.2 Arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting

Clerk to book a speaker on climate change.

### 5.3 Website accessibility statement approval.

A copy of this was circulated prior to this meeting. Proposed Cllr Taylor, Seconded Cllr Collins. Approved. Clerk to put on the parish website.

### 5.4 Approval of Cllr Fry's absence

As Cllr Fry attending the meeting this item not required.

### 5.5 Approval of adoption of new grievance and disciplinary policies

Copies of these were circulated prior to the meeting. Proposed Cllr B Edwards, Seconded Cllr Fry. Approved.

## 6 FINANCE

### 6.1 Payments for Approval

#### Payments to Ratify

26 Nov	Cheque No 1221	Batch Annual Maintenance	£550.00
26 Nov	Cheque No 1222	Winter Planting	£60.00
26 Nov	Cheque No 1223	Poppy Appeal	£20.00

#### Payments for Approval

15 January	Cheque No 1224	Clerks Expenses Oct Nov	£92.21
15 January	Cheque No 1226	Camerton share SLCC membership	£86.00
15 January	Cheque No 1227	Winter Newsletter Printing	£224.00
15 January	Cheque No 1228	Editors Expenses	£25.00

plus a replacement cheque raised for the George Coombs Award to be ratified at the next meeting.

Proposed Cllr B Edwards, seconded Cllr Collins. Approved.

### 6.2 Financial Report including 3rd quarter forecast

The balance of funds as at 15 January is £23,437.69 and without CIL reserves £16,392.23. **Forecast against Budget 2019 2020** Total receipts forecast to be up £7,170.46 at year end as compared to budget. Total Payments forecast to be up by £167. Overall this means that the council is forecast to make a surplus of £4,474.46 at year end. However if you remove the Community Infrastructure funds (as they are not normal council funds and not part of the budget) from the forecast the deficit is forecast to be £2,571 at year end as compared to the budget deficit of £2,529.

**6.3 Approval of precept level and budget 2020 2021** It as proposed Cllr Taylor, seconded Cllr B Edwards that the precept (based on a band D household) be increased by six pounds and six pence per annum equivalent to 13 p per week. Approved.

### 6.4 Approval of Amended Bank Mandate

It was agreed to carry this over until the next meeting.

### 6.5 Manufacture/Repair of Flower Boxes

It was agreed to draw up a plan of the number and size of new boxes as well as the amount of wood required. Boxes then to be manufactured by a volunteer.

Cllr Neil Butters arrived at the meeting.

## **7 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS**

### **7.1 Highway Related Matters**

#### **7.1.1 Gully Clearance**

The chairman to chase up the quote for this work.

### **7.2 Public Rights of Way Matters**

Possible issue raised by the chairman who will investigate more fully and report back at the next meeting.

### **7.3 Community Speedwatch Update**

Sites for the community speedwatch to operate from approved and roadside training to be undertaken shortly.

## **8 PLANNING**

### **8.1 Reports of BANES Planning Decisions**

Nothing to report.

### **8.2 Planning Correspondence and other Planning Related Matters**

Nothing to report.

## **9 Parish Council Representative Reports – Camerton Community Hall, Environment Enhancement, CBLNR and Neighbourhood Watch**

Parish representative reports on the hall, environment enhancement, neighbourhood watch and rural transport circulated prior to the meeting. Rural transport group asking for the parish council views on community transport and car sharing schemes.

### **The Batch**

2 trees felled in the recent storm. A parishioner has kindly removed the trees but the parish council will have to pay for the repair of the fence. The 3 overhanging trees in the Heritage are ash trees and have got die back. A full assessment of die back to be undertaken and felling that is required as a result to be costed. This inspection to take place in April. The existing maintenance supplier no longer doing this sort of work so a new routine maintenance supplier will have to be appointed.

## **10 Reports by Clerk/Councillors**

Cllr B Edwards – speed sign on Camerton Hill round the wrong way. Water on Red Hill. Clerk reported that this already raised on Fix My Street. Road surface on bend when you drive towards Timsbury breaking up. Clerk to report.

Cllr Collins – obstructive parking at Radford end of Durcott Lane remains a problem.

Cllr Fry – reported that he will be resigning from the parish council soon. Will continue to be responsible for the Batch and will provide reports for parish council meetings.

Cllr Butters – managed to get into the draft BANES budget finance to produce a design for a footway for Red Hill.

## **11 CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

## **12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Date of next parish council meeting now Wednesday 19 February 2020.

The meeting Closed 9.15 pm.

Date: ..... Signature: ..... Cllr Taylor (Chairman)