

WOOTTON COURTENAY PARISH COUNCIL 770
DRAFT Minutes of the parish Council Meeting held at
The Village Hall, on the 11th October 2017

PRESENT: Mr J Wilmoth (Chair), Mrs J Barbieri, Mrs H Smith, Mr P Griffin, Mr P Clapham, Ms D Stanyon (Clerk)
Mrs F Nicholson (SCC) 7.30 p.m.-7.45 p.m., Mrs K Mills (WSDC) 8.00 p.m. - 8.45 p.m. One member of the public

1678: APOLOGIES: Mr D Brown, Mr M O'Keefe

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

1679: MINUTES: The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 13th September 2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Mrs Smith, seconded Mr Griffin.

1680: MATTERS ARISING:

- a. Welcome Pack. Mrs Smith has received one quote for printing. One more quote to be obtained.
- b. Village Clean-up. The Village Hall is booked for 2nd December 2017 for breakfast. Mrs Smith will put an advert in the Dunkery Tidings. Clerk will contact ID verde for a road-sweeping schedule in the Parish.
- c. Cycle Events. The Clerk has established who the organisers are of the MTB Event for 2018. They are Cycle-Tec and the route will be published on their website in January 2018. Clerk will check the route for 2018.
- d. Burrow Road flooding. There has been no response from Highways. Mr Griffin will contact Paul Keal (SCC).
- e. Overhanging branches Tivington. There has been no response from highways, but the higher branches have been cleared.

1681: COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Cllr Nicholson explained the procedure if speed limit enforcement signs are obscured. This must be reported to SCC, who's responsibility it is to deal with it.

The Family Support Service Consultation is taking place at the moment and any input will be welcomed.

The Children's Social Care Service is expecting an OFSTED inspection imminently.

The Major School Building Project does not affect any schools within this area.

West Somerset Opportunity Area has been signed off by the Secretary of State this week. This is regarding sustainability across all sectors including education, housing, employment and businesses.

Somerset Adult Learning now have ¾ of their funding that they currently need, but cost cutting will have to take place.

Cllr Mills reported that she has formed a

Porlock Coastal team and successfully been awarded a grant of £10,000 for an economic plan for Porlock. A new website is being constructed under the banner of Porlock Vale Tourist Association, of which Wootton Courtenay will be included. There will be funds left over together with Hinkley Point funding to be used on another project.

West Somerset District Council are looking at how things can be done differently or improve on existing services.

Williton Police Station will be moving to West Somerset House.

In Seaward Way, Minehead, an agreement has been reached for work units but planning permission has to be sought. This will create more employment.

The Bin collection will move to a 3 weekly cycle in 2019 or possibly later. The recycling will still be collected weekly, together with extra options for recycling.

1682: POLICE REPORT. Circulated by email. It was noted that there has been a spate of burglaries in Minehead.

1683: VILLAGE GROUP EMAILS: This has become a victim of its own success and guidelines were discussed and agreed as follows:

- a. The Website is a community website only.
- b. The Village website cannot act as an advertising platform.
- c. Only information to the benefit of Wootton Courtenay Parish will be circulated.
- d. There will only be 1 notice circulated for each function/event.

Clerk will advise all by email and contact Claire Lynch and Dunkery beacon Hotel to explain the situation.

1684: FINANCE: It was agreed to add the Budget to the November meeting, in preparation for agreeing the precept.

1685: PLANNING:

6/43/17/109LB

High Park, Fairgarden Road, Wootton Courtenay.

Demolition of porch structure and erection of Garden Room.

NO OBJECTIONS

1686: CORRESPONDENCE:

Donation to St Margaret's Hospice. The decision was made not to make a donation due to existing expenditure and the budget.

1687: MATTERS FOR REPORT:

Mrs Smith requested that the Village Clean up is added to the November Agenda

Mrs Barbieri asked when the Parish Lengthsman is due to visit? Clerk will contact the Dulverton Clerk and Mr Farmer.

1688: DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday November 8th, Wootton Courtenay Village Hall 7.30 p.m.

Signed.....

Date.....