

MINUTES OF HAMBRIDGE AND WESTPORT PARISH COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14th JUNE 2023
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, HAMBRIDGE VILLAGE HALL

23/1022 PRESENT:

Cllr. S. Denley (Chairman), Cllr. P. Masters (Vice Chair), Cllr. R Maidment, Cllr. R Meecham, Cllr G. Hill, Cllr. J. Roundell-Greene (Unitary Councillor) & Mrs. L. Brooks (Clerk). There were no members of the public present.

23/1023 APOLOGIES:

Cllr A. Dance (Unitary Councillor)

23/1024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nothing to report.

23/1025 MINUTES:

The Minutes from the May meeting had been circulated. They were agreed and signed.

Proposed: Cllr. Maidment

Seconded: Cllr. Meecham

Agreed unanimously.

23/1026 PUBLIC TIME

23/1026/a Public Time:

Nothing to report

23/1026b Unitary Councillor report:

Cllr Roundell-Greene gave the Parish Council an update about the current financial situation at Somerset Council and explained that adult and children social care services will be a priority.

She also reported that the first of the LCN meetings would be held this month and she would report back next month on how they were received.

23/1026/c P.C.S.O. Report:

Nothing to report.

23/1027 MATTERS ARISING

23/1027/a Update from Initial LCN meeting held on 22nd May - attended by Chair and Vice Chair

The Chair and Vice Chair updated the Parish Council on the meeting they attended. The first official meeting for the LCN is Monday 19th June. Vice Chair Cllr. Masters would be attending.

Action: Cllr Masters

23/1027/b Trophy for the WI Flower Show

A decision has been made by the WI and they will consult with Cllr Meecham.

Action: Cllr Meecham

23/1027/c Defibrillator

Cllr Meecham has now put his name down with the British Heart Foundation regarding part funding of a new defibrillator. The next round of funding will take place in October. Cllr Meecham will keep the Parish Council informed when he hears from them.

Action: Cllr Meecham

23/1027/d S137 payment - £200.00

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to grant the £200.00 to the Food Bank at Curry Rivel, which supports residents in Hambridge and Westport as well.

Action: Clerk

Proposed: Cllr. Masters

Seconded: Cllr. Maidment

Agreed unanimously.

23/1028 PLANNING:

23/1028/a Matters for report:

Nothing to report.

23/1028/b Decisions Notified: The Clerk had been notified on the following:

Nothing to report.

23/1028/c Applications for consideration.

Nothing to report.

23/1029 FINANCE:

23/1029/a Matters for report

Nothing to report.

23/1029/b Matters for Resolution

Nothing to report.

23/1029/c Cheques Payable:

All paid via Unity Trust Bank – direct online transfer.

PAYMENTS DUE			
Louise Brooks	Salary – May 2023	£	441.43
HMRC	NI & PAYE May 2023	£	110.20
Louise Brooks	Expenses & home office Allowance – May 2023	£	40.00
Max Von Tyszka	Mowing of churchyard - May	£	300.00
Max Von Tyszka	Mowing of recreation field - May	£	580.00
Somerset Council	Rangers hours for May	£	TBC
Rockwell Print & Sign Ltd	Newsletter printing Dec 2022	£	124.80

Proposed: Cllr. Masters

Seconded: Cllr. Meecham

Agreed unanimously.

23/1030 CORRESPONDENCE:

All correspondence received, had been forwarded to the Parish Councillors.

23/1031 FOOTPATHS:

Clerk reported that any footpath issues to be reported straight to SCC Rights of Way Officer.

23/1032 MEMBERS' REPORTS/ITEMS FOR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Members' Reports:

Litter picking equipment: Clerk asked to purchase 4 x litter pickers which will be kept at the village hall. Clerk will be paid by the Parish Council for the purchase. **Action: Clerk**

Property in Westport: The Chairman reported that he had received another complaint regarding the noise and aggravation that is being caused by a property - part of the Barn Owl development. He will report it to SC to see if anything can be done. **Action: Chairman**

Fly Tipping on to private land: The Chairman reported that there seems to be some fly tipping onto private land in Westport. He has received a complaint from a resident in Westport regarding this. As this is happening on private land it is not a Parish Council matter and no one seems to know who owns the land. The Parish Council will try to find out who owns the land. **Action: Chairman**

Items for next Agenda:

Update from the LCN

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.38pm

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th July 2023 at 7.30 pm in the village hall.