

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BUTLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd May 2022 IN THE CHURCH ROOM, BUTLEIGH.

PARISH COUNCILLORS PRESENT : S Alalia, (Chairman). K Otton, T Willmott, A Coleman. R Chaddock.

OTHERS PRESENT : Nick Padgett, Peter Keggin, Barry Foster, Adrian Forsey, Pip Atkinson, John Goolden, Nigel Searle, Graham Walton, Carolyn Walton, Niall MacDougal, Linda Howell, Lyn Barton, Kate Cato, Peter Kennedy, Marilyn Backhurst, Dave Gibson.

APOLOGIES: None

Pre- meeting statements and questions from members of the public in respect of business itemised on the Agenda :

STATEMENT OF DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : The Chairman reminded Councillors of the need to make and to have recorded any Declarations of Interest made in accordance with the Local Authorities Model Code of Conduct Order adopted on 7th August 2012. (Based on District/ County Model) (Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011).

URGENT BUSINESS : Interest persons to be co-opted as Councillors to come forward

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5th April 2022, having been circulated, were signed as a true and correct record. Proposed A Coleman, seconded T Willmott, all in favour. Minutes to be posted on the Village Website.

MATTERS ARISING : None

PLANNING

Application Number	Proposal	Applicant & Location
2022/0517/FUL	Change of use from Community Lounge to domestic dwelling. Recommend Approval. Proposed T Willmott, seconded S Alalia All in favour	Helen Burton Parkfields Orchard
2022/0744/TCA	T1 Atlas Cedar- Fell-adj to M351 TPO Group Recommend Leave to Tree Officer. Proposed	Mr Blake 3 Court Park.

	T Willmott, seconded S Alalia. All in favour	
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THE ROSE AND PORTCULLIS: T Willmott reported that considerable concern had been expressed about the future of the Rose and Portcullis. Conversation has taken place with the owner and their response was that they have, never had, or do not have the intention to sell the site to anyone. A new tenant is required. National shortage due to staff shortages in the catering industry.

Would have to give Notice of closure when the community could register concern and seek to make it into a community asset.

A Coleman looked at Assets for Community Value and will be having an informal meeting with Ian Munday at MDC. No doubt that an application would succeed. On Register for 5 years.

Owner gives notice to council to sell. First right refusal within 6 weeks, then 6 months to put a bid together.

Carolyn Walton has spoken to an employee – Andrew Lee, of the owners (Wellington Pubs) who assured her that they would not be selling to developers and would look very carefully at a business plan to restore it to what it was. A formal bid to take on has been received.

Peter Kennedy and Dave Gibson remarked that they doubted the plans.

GIGACLEAR AGREEMENT TO INSTALL APPARATUS ON THE VILLAGE GREEN: Agree but prefer the site behind the Bus Shelter.

Request what area of the village would benefit. Subject to the answers give agreement at the June meeting.

HIGHWAYS -SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE- UPDATE. (KO) Nothing further to report. To be installed in due course.

FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE (AC) Inspecting the footpaths. Ladies Walk requires stone. Path from Sub Road to Wood Lane needs clearance.

HOLM OAKS PLAY AREA: Nothing to report.

WAR MEMORIAL (TW) As a celebration of the Queens Platinum Jubilee, it would be timely to organise repairs to the War Memorial as the WW1 lettering is becoming increasingly indecipherable and water is getting into the War Memorial joints. The War Memorials Trust have been asked to look at the War Memorial, they cannot help but are interested in progress. To provide them with updated photos, they would agree that work should be done by a qualified stone mason and they may give a grant. Actions: Photographer required – ask Pete Edmondson. Quote for proposed work to be sought and a grant to be requested. Further funding will be required.

FINANCE : CURRENT AC

BALANCE £ 5364.97
- D&S Air Ambulance £ 350.00

BR AC

BALANCE £ 5646.49

- Butleigh PCC	£ 1850.00		
- Butleigh PFA	£ 2000.00		
- Butleigh PFA Covid gt	£ 2500.00		
+ Precept	£16500.00		
- CAB Grant	£ 150.00		
- St Margarets Hospice	£ 400.00		
	£14614.97	Balance	£ 5646.49

Following the Annual Audit by Stephen Pouncey- Internal Auditor, the Annual Accounts were signed off for External Audit by the Chairman and Clerk. The accounts are exempt due to the gross income or gross expenditure did not exceed £25,000 therefore no audit fee should be payable.
Proposed T Willmott, seconded K Otton, all in favour.

CORRESPONDENCE: Request to add campsite to website S&K Jones: Ask SALC for legal implications and advice.

HGV's in Butleigh High Street- Adrian Forsey: Report to Traffic Management.

LITTER PICK- SATURDAY 21ST MAY 10 am.

QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS JUNE 2022: No further update. Refreshments for band required.

LEAD COUNCILLORS REPORTS. K Otton- Road repairs being done. Reminder regarding road signs. The Old Smithy, Butleigh Wootton, sign needs adjusting.

MATTERS OF REPORT (ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING) Co option of Parish Councillors.

NEXT MEETING 17TH MAY 2022. AGM

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

The next meeting 17th May 2022

Chairman
17th May 2022.