

PITMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Angersleigh Village Room on Thursday 20 October 2022 at 1900 (7PM).

Present

Cllrs Cordier (Vice Chair), Lee, Whatmore, Chapman, Threlfall, Neale and Garland.
Mr. R Tyzack (Clerk to the Parish Council).
Cllr Wakefield and Johnson.
Apologies from Cllr Henley (unwell).

Members of public: Mrs Popham and friend. Phil and Sara Dudman. Cath Shelswell. Mark Bond.

1. Apologies

Cllr Burnett (unwell), accepted.

2. Declarations

None.

3. Delegated planning applications to be RESOLVED

None

4. Planning applications for OBSERVATION

- 30/22/0034/CQ prior approval for proposed change of use from agricultural building to 1 No. dwelling house (Class C3) and associated building operations at Harpers Cider Barn, Farm, Budleigh Road, Trull. Observations to send to SWAT. The proposed access is very close the junction.

It is reported in application there have been no accidents at the junction. This maybe untrue. There was an accident which resulted the wall on the north side of the junction being demolished.

An old and magnificent Oak Tree is very close to the access and must be retained and preserved.

It is reported that the legitimacy of the reasons for the CQ and agricultural purposes be carefully investigated before granting prior permission.

Due the size of the proposed dwelling it does nothing to help the Governments requirements for affordable housing.

- 30/20/0033 erection of agricultural building to cover open yard manure store at Priors Park Farm, Holman Clavel Road, Culmhead Churchinford. Council comments No further observations.

5. Enforcement

None.

6. Matters arising

None.

7. Public participation

A member of public reported on application 30/22/0034CQ. There is a mature oak tree

standing close to the proposed access, not shown on the plan. The access is very close to the junction, where application states there have not been any traffic accidents. This is untrue, as there was a traffic accident resulting in a wall on the corner to be demolished. The reported CQ detail in the application is not accurate. Design of the proposed dwelling does not satisfy the Gov. advice on affordable housing. Clerk arrange site visit.

8. Minutes

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Thursday 29 September 2022 already distributed were approved and signed.

9. Greener and Wilder

Phil and Sara Dudman together with Cath Shelswell gave a presentation on the above subject. They talked about the help received in moving this along with so many people. Support has been amazing. The survey carried out has now resulted in the idea of clean and clear The Green to enable fruit trees to be planted wildflowers sown and the reconstruction of the pond. Further discussion will take place on a proposed shelter for people to sit and reflect and absorb nature and wildlife. They went on to say how beneficial to the community it will be for wellbeing and mental health. Council will provide some funds towards the costs.

The team were consulted by Cllrs on a proposal to plant wildflowers at the entrance to Blagdon Hill at the north and south approach. This item would be placed on the next Agenda.

10. Pavilion

Mark Bond gave a presentation to outline what had happened since the meeting at the Queens Arms. Following that meeting where parishioners voiced some concerns he had halted proceedings and made further consultations.

He now gave new proposals for two proposed sites one at the NW corner of the playing fields. The other to the north of the tennis court. Unfortunately due to the very wet part of the NW corner together with the cost to build here being in excess of £40000 pounds it would not be viable. Also it is a fair way from where the car park is situated. He had now reverted to the proposed site alongside the road to the north of the tennis court. This site would provide extra parking where the old pavilion now stands. He is awaiting reports from the builders on a time scale and costings. He will apply for full planning permission.

11. Local Community Network (LCN)

Cllr Burnett had informed Clerk she would be agreeable to attend meetings however she asked for one further Cllr to attend too. After discussion there were no volunteers. Next Agenda.

12. Website

Clerk had tabled a discussion paper giving details on proposals. It was Resolved to accept the quote for a full upgrade of the council website.

13. Youth Council

Councillor Cordier requested to place this on the next Agenda.

14. Provision of Section 137 and 139 of LGA 1972

There was a proposal to make a payment to support the Ukrainian families living in the parish. Following a discussion, it was Resolved not appropriate at this time to raise money by precept. In meantime council will seek the length of stay for the families. Clerk will review held funds

and report next meeting.

15. Website use of CiL

Following advice from the CiL Officer at SWAT it was Resolved not to use CiL funds.
Payment for the website will be from existing funds.

16. AOR

Cllr Whatmore as the Ex-Footpath Officer invited Cllrs to view a Pictorial Guide to the Parish of Pitminster. This map shows all the footpaths, bridleways and places of interest. He would investigate the reproduction of this historical map.

17. Agenda item for next meeting

LCN
Wildflower planting
Youth Council
Ukrainian family support

18. Bank Balance

Clerk reported the balance of £31855.88

19. Payments

Resolved to pay the invoices as set in the agenda.

20. Close meeting

Meeting closed at 2030

Signed

Date Thursday 17 November 2022