

PITMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held at Old School Pitminster on Thursday May 18th 2023 at 1900 (7PM).

Present

Cllrs Burnett (Chair), Threlfall, Whatmore, Garland, Chapman and Neale.

Mr. R Tyzack (Clerk to the Parish Council).

Cllr Wakefield.

Members of public: None.

1. Election of Chair

Cllr Burnett announced she wished to stand down as Chair. She thanked Cllrs and the Clerk for their support. She went on to call for nominations. Cllr Whatmore proposed Cllr Cordier. Cllr Threlfall proposed Cllr Whatmore. Cllr Whatmore replied he was not willing to take on the position. Cllr Whatmore seconded Peter Cordier and following a unanimous vote he was elected Chair. Although not present he had made it known he would be very willing and enjoy being Chair.

Cllr Threlfall praised Cllr Burnett for her handling of parish affairs over the past three years. Councillors voiced their approval.

2. Election of Vice Chair

Cllr Burnett called for nominations for Vice Chair. Cllr Threlfall proposed Cllr Whatmore. Seconded by Cllr Chapman. This followed a unanimous vote. Cllr Whatmore was elected Vice Chair.

3. Apologies

Cllr Lee (unwell), Cordier (other engagement), all accepted.

4. Declarations

No Declarations.

Cllr Burnett left the meeting due to feeling one degree under due to a lengthy dentist appointment that afternoon.

Cllr Whatmore then presided over the meeting as Vice Chair.

Councillor and Public participation

Cllr Wakefield gave a very helpful update on LCN and formation of Somerset Council.

5. Delegated planning applications to be RESOLVED.

None.

6. Planning applications for OBSERVATION

- 30/23/0009 Erection of extension to detached garage with part conversion to ancillary accommodation at Hare Hatch, Honiton Road, Shoreditch. Cllrs resolved to approve the application.
- 30/23/0010 Erection of a conservatory to the rear of Ashfield House, Curdleigh Lane, Blagdon Hill. Cllrs resolved to approve the application.

Cllr Threlfall asked to be excused and left the meeting.

7. Enforcement

None.

8. Council Minutes Thursday 20 April 2023 and Annual Parish Meeting minutes Resolved.

It was proposed and agreed to adopt the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The Chair duly signed the minutes

9. Risk Assessment

There were no issues with the review of the Risk Assessment. Cllrs were satisfied that the requirements of The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, were being carried out.

10. Internal Audit

To receive the Annual Internal Audit Report.

11. Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) 2022/ 2023

Cllrs approved the Annual Governance Statement.

12. Accounting Statements to be considered

Cllrs had considered the Accounting Statements provided to them before the meeting.

13. Accounting Statements to be approved

Cllrs approved the Accounting Statements

14. Signatures

The Chair and Clerk signed the Accounting Statements.

15. Exercise of Public Rights

The notice of public rights has been displayed on the noticeboards and is on the website.

16. Chelmsine Chapel Trust

Reported a Trustee had resigned and so another Trustee must be appointed before the Trust can be wound up.

17.LCN

This matter will be placed on the next Agenda.

18.AOR

- Cllr Neale reported that Pete Barton will be arranging maintenance of hedge and grass.
- Cllr Whatmore reported on SID solar panels with costings. There may be difficulty with an oak tree obscuring the sun. This matter to be put on next Agenda.
- Cllr Whatmore reported on Airban. Plan for Angersleigh Fibre in September. There will be a further Zoom meeting in July.

19. Agenda item for next meeting

Youth Club. Cllr Neale has items of equipment.

Defib

Chelmsine Chapel

Pavilion

LCN

20.Finance

- Clerk reported the balance of £27555.14. Precept of £9500 paid into account. Vice Chair signed the statement.
- Resolved Clerk to pay the invoices by online banking as stated in the agenda.

21.Close meeting

Meeting closed 8PM, 2000. Next meeting in Angersleigh Village Room on Thursday 22 June 2023.

Signed

Date Thursday 22 June 2023