

PITMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Angersleigh Village Room on Thursday 23 January 2025 at 1900 (7PM).

Present

Cllrs Cordier, Chapman, Neale, Whatmore, Reisner
Mr. R Tyzack (Clerk to the Parish Council)
Cllr Wakefield.

1. Apologies

Cllr Threlfall (Manchester meeting), Garland (injury), Burnett (Cataract), all accepted.
Cllr Chapman after meeting.

2. Declarations

Cllr Cordier declared an interest in planning application 30/24/0034. Cllr Cordier did not take part in any discussion on this application.

3. Planning applications for OBSERVATION

- 30/24/0034 erection of a single storey extension to the rear and construction of first floor at Woodpecker, Howleigh Lane, Pitminster. Resolved to support the application. The form is annotated and sent to Somerset Council.

4. Enforcement

Council noted the wall completed by Mr Adams. This is part completion of the enforcement notice.

5. Council Minutes Thursday 21 November 2024 and Friday 10th January 2025.

Resolved. Proposed and agreed to adopt the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The Chair duly signed the minutes.

6. Precept

Resolved to make demand to Somerset Council for £10900.00.

7. Pitminster corner of Burial Ground

Resolved to carry out the work on Saturday 22 February 2025. Cllr Cordier will send out an email with full details.

8. Parish Council Communication Channels

Resolved to maintain the present arrangement.

9. Poppy display with plaque

This was in a faraway Parish. There are two war memorials in this parish. At this time pressure was on cutting costs. Resolved Pitminster would not be involved.

10. NALC Salary Increase.

Resolved the pay award for Clerks of £306.28 per annum, backdated to April 2024, would be paid as of April 2025. There will be back payment of £306.28 to be paid with April salary.

11. Local Plan

Resolved Clerk to consult with Somerset Council for the method of discussion.

12. Hedges

Resolved to take no further action regarding high hedges.

13. Grass cutting

Cllr Garland was not at the meeting. This would be on next Agenda.

14. Burial Grants

Resolved to make one off payment of £240 to Pitminster Church Council and £120 to Angersleigh Church Council. Advise there will be no further grants.

15. Banking

Lloyds Bank will be making a monthly charge of £4.25 for the current account.
Resolved to stay with Lloyds Bank.

16. Speed limit of 20mph

Resolved to take no further action at this time. To be monitored.

17. Donations to Charity

Clerk was asked for a list of local charities in the area. Resolved Clerk will prepare a list for next year.

Resolved that the council in accordance with its powers under Section 137 and 139 of the LGA should incur an expenditure of £30 each to The Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and The Citizens Advice Bureau, which in the opinion of the council is in the interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

18. Litter Pick

Resolved on Saturday March 15th, 2025. Cllr Wakefield equipment please.

19. LCN

No further action currently.

20. AOR

Cllr Cordier reported on the PFA. Expected start on the pavilion this year. A new member had joined following the death of Stefan Leiner.

21. Agenda item for next meeting

Grass cutting maintenance person.

22. Finance

The clerk reported the balance of £17922.67. Chair signed the statement.

Resolved Clerk to pay the invoices by online banking as stated in the agenda.

Added invoice for Heartbeat Trust for £357.00.

23. Close meeting

Meeting close 2010. Next meeting in Angersleigh Village Room on Thursday 20 February 2025.

Signed

Date Thursday 20 Feb 2025