

ASHWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN OAKHILL VILLAGE HALL
ON 13th JUNE 2018 AT 7.30PM

Present D Barlow (DB, Chair), D Gilson (DG), C Sully (CS) and B Wells (BW). R Battagel (RB) and D Thorley (DT).

In Attendance S Vaillant (Clerk).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

154/18 Apologies were received M Baverstock (MB), P Briscoe (PB), P Dennis (PD), S Emery (SE) and E Lewis (EL).
R & J Carter (District Councillors) also advised they would not be able attend.

Action

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

155/18 No request for dispensation nor declarations of interest were made.

AGREEMENT OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

156/18 The minutes of the meeting held on 11th April 2018 were agreed to be a true and accurate record of the meeting held.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (where not dealt with later)

157/18 Raised garden bed in High Street & Registration of playing field with Fields in Trust – Clerk has found the email address of the previous contact at Bartlett Gooding & Weelen to whom the initial email has been forwarded. Ongoing.

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DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS

158/18 No councillor present.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR) Update

159/18 Clerk to attend a repeat of the training session organized by SALC on 22nd July. Ongoing.

SOMERSET VILLAGE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

160/18 The deadline is too close to take part this year. It was agreed to look out for it next year and appoint a committee to pursue.

LETTER FROM TRUESPEED INTERNET PROVIDER

161/18 It was agreed for the Parish Council to stay neutral at the moment but to be aware of the scheme and monitor its progression.

UPDATE ON PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

162/18 Clerk read the email received from Juan Luis Gomez of Somerset Highways about holding off the crossing, but proceeding with a Determination Report regarding the provision of double yellow lines. SCC also advised that they were now consulting with the school.

Clerk to contact PCSO to ask her to visit at school times to monitor the parking situation.

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PLANNING

163/18 Updates on previous applications:-
2017/2868/OTS; Outline Application (all matters reserved) for the erection of a two storey dwelling house and associated vehicle parking; The Conifers, Little London, Oakhill – Approved w/c.
2018/0329/TPO; Works to a PTO tree, M1153 Ash Tree removal of low limb growing over the garage; The Old Coach House, Bath Road, Oakhill – Approved w/c.
2018/0630/FUL; Siting of 6 glamping pods; The Mendip Inn – Approved w/c.
2018/0703/FUL & 2018/0704/LBC; Proposed conversion of 1 no. residential unit into 2 no. residential units; Old Brewery Place; High Street – No decision.

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164/18 Planning Application 3018/1069/FUL; Roof top extension and alterations to glazing on west elevation; The White House, Old Frome Road to Underhill; Gurney Slade – BW proposed to recommend approval (DT approved, unanimously agreed) as it will have no impact on neighbours or other residents.

165/18 Planning Application 3018/1373/FUL; Relocation of Vehicular Access from A37 to Golf Links Lane to improve visibility and parking spaces to north of property; Batts Farm, Batts Lane, Gurney Slade – CS proposed to recommend approval (DT seconded, unanimously agreed).

FINANCE

166/18 Financial Statement – Financial statement to 12th June 2018 was agreed, although Clerk mentioned the lack of bank statements for the past couple of months due to IT problems at TSB.

167/18 Adoption of Financial Regulations – It was agreed to adopt at next month's meeting to give Councilors time to review.

168/18 The following invoices were agreed and cheques signed:-

	£
825 S Vaillant; Clerk's Net Salary & Expenses	278.10
826 HMRC	64.00
835 SALC (Affiliation 2018/19)	348.71

169/18 Bench at Fiveways – BW is seeking quotations for the repairs on the bench. Chair to advise clerk to add to the agenda when ready.

MATTERS OF REPORT

170/18 Highways;

- A resident queried if the gullies could be cleared to prevent flooding.
- The vegetation needs cutting back at the junction with the A37, near the Post Office in Gurney Slade.
- Potholes in the High Street need to be made good. Some have been highlighted for repair, however there are a few more that need attention.

171/18 Footpaths – Muddy and slippery footpath leading from the Village Hall to the school was reported to the footpaths officer who came to visit a few days later when it had all dried up! To be monitored.

Broken gate; to be reported to Footpaths officer. Location tbc.

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172/18 Village Hall – AGM has been pushed to 2nd July 2018. Chairman is standing down with no known replacement, vice-chair will also be retiring at the next AGM.

Young people want to get involved in getting a Skate Park in the Recreation Field, enthusiasm is building up and is supported by parents.

173/18 School – Sarah not present to report. Chair reported on the 150th year celebration to be held on the last Monday of term with a visit from the Bishop and an open school event on Wednesday afternoon. Details in the Parish magazine.

174/18 PCSO – Clerk read report emailed by PCSO Sheila Thompson.

175/18 Speedwatch / SALC – Nothing to report.

176/18 Grass on the pound has not been cut; BW to ask a neighbor if they are willing to take this on, or it will be added to the grass cutting contract. Clerk to add to agenda for next month.

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DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

177/18

Due to the Clerk being on a work trip during w/c 9th July, it was agreed to move the next Parish Council Meeting to Wednesday 4th July 2018, 7.30pm.

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