

MINUTES

Folke Parish Council Meeting

20th July 2022 at 7:00pm

Present: Cllr Crothers, Cllr Cuff, Cllr Lugg, Cllr Rolls, Cllr Scrivener, Cllr Adams, The Clerk and Joanna Ramsay

1. APOLOGIES - Cllr Harris
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS. - None
3. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES
 - 3.1 It was resolved "THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18th MAY 2022 BE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN". – Unanimously approved and signed by Chairman.
4. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
 - 4.1 Cllr Legg commented that there would be no changes for Folke with regards to the Community Governance Review and their final recommendations
 - 4.2 Cllr Legg reported that the Police Crime report for the area had not highlighted any incidents, however there was an incident in Thornford with the speed traffic team that was reported but no action was taken by the Police. He raised this issue as he was concerned that the report did not illustrate a lack of confidence in police cover for the area. Councillors also identified that a recent event requiring a response from police and helicopter happened locally.
 - 4.3 Cllr Legg reported that the hyper acute and Community provision for Stroke Services within the area was being reviewed with regards to provision at Yeovil versus Dorchester and Taunton.
5. APPOINTMENT OF NEW CLERK
 5. Cllr Crothers introduced Joanna Ramsay as the new Clerk for Folke Parish Council. Contract to start 1st August 2022. A Laptop has been provided and the sitting Clerk has provided files, passwords and paper records in her keeping to the new Clerk.
6. FINANCIAL MATTERS
 - 6.1 Clerks invoice for expenses as presented, £36.00, approved.
 - 6.2 Insurance approved for the next year until 1/7/23.
 - 6.3 Signed mandate form for changing Bank Account details for adding Cllr Harris and removing Cllr Rolls as signatories has been received by the Bank.
 - 6.4 Present Clerk will initiate change of Clerk details for the Bank account in preparation for new Clerk.
 - 6.4 Invoice INV-0748 from Dorset Association of Parish & Town Councils for Folke Parish Council - £177.08, unanimously approved.
 - 6.5 Jubilee expenses have been approved for 4 x egg +spoon + 4 x sacks, Union Jack paper Chains , 100 hand waving Union Jack flags, 1 x Union Jack bunting, Monogram red white blue balloons, Union Jack Queens Jubilee Flags and prizes.
 - £154.59 to Mrs Maskew
 - £24.75 to Mrs Parsons
 - £17.34 to Sue Hamblin
 - And ex gratia payment £34.76 to Mrs Maskew.
7. PLANNING – none

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8. PLAY GROUND INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE

- 8.1 Cllr Crothers updated the meeting with regards to the lease on the playing field. At present applications for first registration are now taking up to a year.
- 8.2 Cllr Harris with regards to the Tree survey around the playing field, has spoken to Elliot who has recommended that the leylandi should be removed before winter. The Walnut tree is planned for cutting back before the end of September. They are planning to remove these at the same time as cow movement scheduled locally so that there will be no requirement to close the road specifically for the felling.
- 8.3 The broken rail in the Playing field has been mended by Cllr Cuff. It was agreed to consult with Simon Williams for further maintenance with regards to fencing for the whole quadrant section
- 8.4 Cllr Cuff reported that Alvian are still awaiting poles for replacement on the climbing frame.
- 8.4 Wood chipping in Play Area was discussed. Cllr Harris will top up the woodchip next week.
- 8.5 Cllr Harris will take scrap metal left in the hut to the scrap merchant.
- 8.6 Cllr Lugg reported that a post for the tree with plastic cover has been purchased for the Jubilee tree. Cllr Cuff can supply a wooden post if needed. Cllr Lugg to review.
- 8.7 Cllr Harris was thanked for donating the bouncy castle at the Jubilee event.

9 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 9.1 Parish Council Crime Report June 2022 – discuss above.
- 9.2 2022/23 DAPTC Member Survey – completed by Cllr Crothers.
- 9.3 Latest news from Dorset Council - emails
- 9.4 News Release; Community Governance Review, final recommendations – link sent by Cllr Legg.
- 9.5 DAPTC E-News – emails
- 9.6 Dorset Council Community Governance Review - Final Recommendations
- 9.7 Motions for DAPTC 2022 Annual General Meeting by 30 September
- 9.8 CHANGE OF DAPTC EMAIL ADDRESS
- 9.9 Presentation slides from Town and Parish Council Forum held 27 May 2022

10 REPORT FROM COUNCILLORS ATTENDING MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

11 ITEMS OF URGENT NATURE SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN'S

- 11.1 Cllr Cuff asked if the Parish Council could repair the finger posts within the village. There was some discussion about how this might be achieved. Cllr Cuff to survey the posts with photos and bring back to the next meeting his findings.
- 11.2 It was agreed by Councillors that the fee for emptying the Village Hall bin would be charged to the Parish Council. The Village Hall Committee would therefore invoice the Parish Council hiring cost of hall for their meetings and emptying the bin at £200.00 per year.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 14th September 2022 – 7pm.