

FRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Full Council held on 15th November 2021 in Frampton Village Hall.
Meeting commenced at 7pm.

Councillors in attendance:

Andrew Thomson (Chairman), Charlie Adler, Stephen Westrip, Paul Mutti, Patsy Taylor, Sandy Christopher, and Carolyn Bednall

There was 1 member of the public in attendance

1. Apologises for absence

Cllr David Taylor (DC) sent apologies.

2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interests

No declarations were made.

3. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20th September 2021

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting, with one minor amendment.

4. Matters from the previous meeting

It was noted that no wording for the play park sign had been received.

It was requested that Cllr's send in their thoughts to the Clerk.

5. Chairman's update

The Chair gave an account of the flooding of the Frome from the previous month. It was stated that one vehicle was driven into the flood water and written off. No one sustained any injury. This incident took place in Southover Lane near Sandways Bridge.

A large amount of debris had been washed down Tibbs Lane, which in turn blocked up Southover Lane and by the bridge.

The Community Highways Officer and Dorset Council had been very efficient in clearing up and confirmed that the potholes created would be filled and GRIPS on Tibbs Lane would be dug out and the gullies cleared.

It was with sadness that he had accepted the resignation of Cllr Steve Westrip.

On behalf of all in Frampton, Steve was thanked for all his hard work and endeavours.

6. Public discussion period

There were no comments from the public.

7. To receive a report from the Dorset Council

No report was received. There were no comments for the Ward Councillor.

8. To receive brief holder updates and to agree action(s) in response to proposals and repairs Allotments

Cllr Taylor confirmed that all plots were now allocated.

2 of these plots were to be broken down into smaller areas, thus allowing others to the option to manage a littler section.

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Any unused space will be utilised to grow vegetables to deliver to community food banks. It was noted that all tenancy agreements had been signed, and the plots were all allocated until the next season.

The plots that had non growing material on them, had been mostly cleared and covered with tarpaulin. A few items remained. Cllr Thomson would have a private word.

Burial Ground

Cllr Adler confirmed one enquiry had been made for a plot.

It was felt that the area needed a bit of a tidy.

A site visit identified there was only a few trees that were tall enough for bird boxes.

It was suggested that Tibbs Hollow may be another to look at.

Play Park

Cllr Thomson was satisfied that the play park equipment was generally in good condition. The two new rides had been popular.

It was confirmed that the multi play have been repaired and painted to a good standard.

Extra cuts of the grass have been completed due to a very fast-growing season.

There was still a list of outstanding items to complete in order to comply with the last inspection report.

The litter problem not so bad.

Rights of Way

There were no reported issues.

Tibbs Hollow

There had been no further fly tipping.

A hole had started to appear at the entrance, and it was suggested that this filled in.

Some minor tree work was needed in the spring.

Village Green

The sign at memorial tree had fallen over.

Cllr Thomson was happy to fix this.

Magna

Cllr Taylor confirmed there had been no movement on any issues previously raised.

Highways

There were no matters that were on the agenda or previously mentioned by the Chair.

Cllr Christopher asked if the drains on Church Lane could be cleared.

The Clerk would request this.

Planning

a. P/FUL/2021/04091 Erection of concrete slurry silo Crockway Farm

This application was supported.

b. P/FUL/2021/04092 Erection of concrete slurry silo Crockway Farm

This application was supported.

It was noted by Councillors, that some of the conditions of previous application had not been met, including those of landscaping and light pollution.

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9. To receive and approve the financial reports and payments for authorisation

Further to additional grass cuts, it was agreed to take the overspend from the Footpaths and Environment.

The Clerk would make a journal entry of £510.00.

A total of **4 payments (PV's 24-27) amounting to £ 2217.00** were authorised and approved.

10. Purchase of Speed Indicating Device (SID) for Frampton

The Clerk confirmed the costings:

Speed Indicating Device	£1100 + VAT
Erection of pole and hard standing	£587 + VAT
Solar panels and attachments	£200 + VAT

Members were content with these costs and authorised the purchases.

11. Request to Dorset Council for Highways clear up

It was felt all matters had been covered in previous items.

12. Discussion on the Bus Shelter on Church Lane

The debate predominantly centred around why the school buses (with the exception of the Charminster school bus) picked up the children at locations other than the bus shelter.

Nobody knew why, so it was agreed to ask the Dorset School Transport Team as to why this was occurring.

To that end no action, at this time was to be taken on the Bus Shelter.

13. Code of Conduct training and Register of Interests

The Clerk attending the training on the Code of Conduct and reminded members of the NOLAN principles. A PowerPoint presentation would be sent to all.

The Chair asked those who had not completed their Register of Interests, to do so at their earliest opportunity.

14. No turning sign at Longlands Orchard

A request had been made by a member of the public to Dorset Highways for the above.

Highways had stated that it was a public highway and vehicles were allowed to pass down the lane. In addition, they had no budget for such work and believed it would little or no effect.

The Parish Council supported the view of Highways and suggested that homeowners should place a no turning sign on their own property.

15. Recreational fitness equipment for green spaces in Frampton

Cllr Christopher spoke about the above and the ideas to raise funds.

Members agreed that it was not appropriate to install adult fitness equipment in the play park but suggested that the Millennium Green as an alternative option.

Council was content that any monies raised could be placed in the play equipment reserve for new equipment and drawn down once an appropriate location and apparatus had been sourced.

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16. Donation from wastepaper fund

The Parish Council wished to thank the committee for the donation of £400.00 towards the community Speed Indicating Device.

Cllr Thomson would formally write to recognise this award.

In accordance with Standing Orders, members agreed a further 30 minutes extension in order to conduct the business on the agenda.

17. Initial Precept discussion

The Chair confirmed that the only likely increases were in Clerks salary and grass cutting.

Councillors asked if all areas needed to be cut.

This would be reviewed.

18. Parish Clerk Job description, evaluation, and hours

Members completed the job evaluation, and agreed, in principal that an appropriate scale point for the Parish Clerk's role was that of 19.

It was also agreed that more hours were needed, based on the ever-increasing tasks that were falling to the Parish Clerk. A suggestion of 7-8 hours a week was muted.

Councillors were also asked to see how the day-to-day management of the Parish Council assets could be conducted in the future.

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting, prior to setting the Precept.

19. Advertising of Parish Clerk post

To move to the next agenda.

20. Items for the next meeting

To set the Precept

Parish Clerk's Job description, evaluation, and hours

Advertising of Parish Clerk post

21. Date(s) of next meeting(s)

Full Council 17th January 2022
21st March 2022
Frampton Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at **2150 hours.**