

FRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Full Council held on 24th January 2022 in Frampton Village Hall.
Meeting commenced at 7pm.

Councillors in attendance:

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

There was 2 members of the public in attendance

1. Apologies 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 15th November 2021

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Matters from the previous meeting

The Clerk updated members with regards to the SID.

The custom build SID, the specification designed by Dorset Council, was not yet to the required standard. The next version was to be trailed soonest.

An objection had been received with regards to the location of the pole located opposite the Village Hall on the Dorchester Road (A356)

Councillors agreed that the pole was in the best location.

They also requested that 3 quotes were obtained by the Clerk so that a decision on the SID could be made at the next meeting.

16. Frampton railway station proposal

A member of the public briefed Council on his lobbying with regards to establishing a railway Halt in Frampton.

Members acknowledged all the efforts, noting the challenges that were ahead.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would, in principle support the idea of a Halt within Frampton.

5. Chairman's update

The Chair had no matters that were not on the agenda,

6. Public discussion period

There were no comments from the public.

7. To receive a report from the Dorset Council

There was no report from Cllr Taylor.

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

There were no issues from the allotments, other than to note the beech hedges had been cut back.

Burial Ground

It was asked why the other faith areas were not available.

Cllr Thomson confirmed the hedge had been cut back and were now clear again.

It was also noted that mole hills had appeared. It was agreed to monitor for the time being. It had been noted that the litter bin had not been emptied and a request to Dorset Waste Partnership had been made.

The entrance area had all been cut back.

Cllr Adler confirmed that both bird and bug boxes had been ordered.

Play Park

Cllr Thomson confirmed that the area was clean and tidy, and that the grass was growing fast. It was noted that repairs to the fencing were still to be done.

Rights of Way

There were no issues.

Tibbs Hollow

There were no issues.

Village Green

There were no issues.

Magna

Cllr Taylor had noted fly tipping on Magna land and also that the hedges had not been cut. She would phone Magna and report these issues.

Highways

Cllr Thomson mentioned the accident on the A356 / A37 junction.

It was requested that DC Highways were informed of the broken signage.

Cllr Christopher had attended the 'Bus back better' presentation.

It was confirmed that central government were releasing funds to Local Authorities for rural bus routes.

All Councillors agreed that a frequent bus service for Frampton was essential especially for those unable to drive.

The following resolution was passed:

To request to Cllr Taylor (DC), to support and forward to the relevant body the following.

That a bus service runs, at a minimum, from Maiden Newton to Dorchester on a 6 day week, arriving every 2 hours, commencing at 8am – in order to facilitate those who wished to access services in Dorchester and Maiden Newton.

The Clerk would contact the Ward Councillor.

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Planning

a. P/FUL/2021/01922

Erection of wooden hut between Sandways Bridge and Peacock Bridge (for fishing)

Although there were initial concerns, the Parish Council supported this application.

3 members voted support, whilst 3 abstained.

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

See agenda item 13.

There were **4** payments, totalling **£ 1286.00** approved and authorised for payment.

The Clerk stated that expenditure was well within budget.

10. Parish Clerk Job evaluation

The evaluation had been completed.

Members agreed that the scale point for the Clerk should be SCP 19 with additional increments for qualifications and experience.

11. Parish Clerk Job hours

After much discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk's hours would be set at 8 hours per week.

12. Parish Clerk Job description

It was requested that the Clerk draft a job description for the next meeting.

13. Donation towards St Marys church clock service

It was agreed to donate £ 314.00 towards the servicing of the Clock.

14. Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations

i. Parish Council involvement

It was agreed that the Parish Council did not have the resources to lead on an event.

ii. Funding an event by an external body

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

iii Funding of memorabilia

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

15. Insert of a vision mirror on A356 at junction with Church Lane

Cllr Christopher had spoken to the CHO.

Dorset Council would not advocate such a mirror, as they had been proven to provide a false sense of security when turning onto main roads.

Cllr Christopher agreed to ask the landowner if he would consider a mirror on his land.

It was noted that the Parish Council would likely have to take legal responsibility and any future insurance costs.

17. National cycle way route 26 – obstruction adjacent to Gaydon's Coppice

Cllr Tarr of Dorset Council had requested that the Parish Council ask the landowner to remove the fence obstruction on this right of way.

Members agreed that this was not the responsibility of the Parish Council and to inform Dorset Council of their duty. It is noted that the Parish Council had provided evidence in this matter.

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18. Allocation of funds collected by Cllr Christopher

It was agreed that monies collected through fund raising would be allocated to the play park equipment reserve.

19. Additional signatory for Parish bank account

Cllr Adler agreed to be an additional signatory.

20. Reallocation of specific reserves

A donation had been made of £45.78 from the children's game fund.

This had been set aside in a specific reserve.

It was agreed to move this to the play park equipment reserve and close down that reserve.

Monies had been set aside to assist with any legal mitigation of plot 10.

It was agreed to close this specific reserve and return to the general reserve, with a view that, if funds were requested at a later date, then this could be discussed as an individual motion.

21. Setting the Precept 2022/23

Members agreed to an increase in Clerk's salary along with an additional 2 grass cuts a year.

The Precept was set at £12860.00 which equates to £ 61.53 per band D tax base.

22. Items for the next meeting

Business continuity plan

Parish Council 3/5-year plan

Queen platinum jubilee

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

Full Council 21st March 2022
Frampton Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at **2120 hours**.