

NORTH VALE PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Meeting 488 held on April 20, 2015 at 7.30 pm at Holton Village Hall

APRIL 20, 2015 DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

Councillors: David Young; Lesley Tyson; Gillian Freeman; Derek Smith; Connie Hurt; Jenny Chambers; Nick Haggett; Peter Clackson; Janet Down

IN ATTENDANCE:

Phil Bourne - Clerk

APOLOGIES:

Councillors: William Wallace; Tim Inglefield; Richard Bliss

OPEN SESSION

- A357 'North Cheriton' sign not installed, which was requested 2 years ago. Clerk to investigate.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST / DISPENSATIONS

None declared

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Approved and signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

1. The Village Stocks situation - The Gale Trust at North Cheriton is looking after the Stocks.
2. Grove Lane road improvement recommendation feedback from SSDC - Included in current work programme and waiting approval from Traffic Management to proceed. Health and safety procedure requires ground services to be checked where posts are to be erected. Anticipate being done by late Spring.
3. Overgrown Verges at North Cheriton - SS Highway services aware of the encroachment that would be exposed once the hedge had been cut back. No available budget to raise a works order to have the road edge sided back until after April 1. The projections do not present a hazard at this time and the local SCC Officer will monitor to ensure this remains so until the siding works are completed. Councillors requested confirmation of who owns the exposed stumps. Clerk to investigate.
4. Uncontested Election Results & Next Steps
 1. South Somerset Returning Officer published a statement of persons nominated by 4pm on **10th April** on SSDC website at www.southsomerset.gov.uk.
 2. As the number of candidates for North Vale was less than the number of seats to be filled, those candidates are declared to be elected and no poll is required to take place.
 3. The elected councillors are
 - 3.1. David Young for Holton
 - 3.2. Richard Biss and Jennifer Chambers for Maperton
 - 3.3. Gillian Freeman, Nicholas Haggett; James Lee & Lesley Tyson for North Cheriton
 4. North Vale parish council will need to co-opt 3 members for Holton to make up their full quota of councillors
 - 4.1. Janet Down requested standing for co-opt at Holton.
 5. Present councillors all retire four days after the day of the election on **11th May**, with the new council coming into office on that day.
 6. Declaration of Acceptance of Office form should be signed by each councillor and attested by the Clerk as the proper officer of the council before or at the first meeting of the parish council after their election.
 7. All Council members will need to register their interests as required by the Code within 28 days of taking office by completing a Register of Interests Form.
 8. Annual meeting of the council should be held within fourteen days of the council coming into office, between **11th May and 25th May 2015**.
 9. The new council may co-opt whoever it pleases to fill a remaining vacancy and should be completed by **26th June**.

5. Somerset Emergency Community contacts database. Require 3 trusted people per parish to act as contacts. Phil Bourne will undertake for Holton. Councillor Lesley Tyson discussing for North Cheriton and Jenny Chambers is the Maperton representative.
6. Peter Clackson, retiring Councillor and Chairman thanked all councillors for their support over the past years.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 14/05536/FUL Mrs B Sandison Retention of replacement stables, hay store, tack room and car port (GR 368458/126412). No objections recorded by the Councillors.

PLANNING DECISIONS

- None

PLANNING OTHERS

- Discussed Lawrence Wadham application to discharge a section 106 agreement. Councillors would like the Bungalow to be tied to full agricultural use if sold.

CORRESPONDANCE

1. Somerset Community Foundation eNewsletter (FYI)
2. Andy Greene acknowledgement to commence North Cheriton Churchyard grass cutting (FYI)
3. Care Act Summary (FYI)
4. Area East Special Meeting 31st March 2015 (FYI)
5. South Somerset Together Assembly - Friday 22nd May 2015 - Working Together Towards a Sustainable Health Service (FYI)
6. SSDC Health & Well Being Newsletter (FYI)
7. Long term litter problem at Dancing Cross and alongside the A303 slip road - Clerk to follow up with District Council.
8. 2015 Audit Return notification
9. Flood risk management event cancelled for May 7th (FYI)

Note: (FYI) = For your Information

FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. **Precept of £4187 received and paid into Parish Bank Account**
2. Authorise Cheques
 - 2.1. Holton Village Hall hire for £10 signed and authorised
 - 2.2. Clerk Salary for period Jan to March of £351 & Travel Expenses of £40.5
3. Account review (un-audited)
 - 3.1. Forecast expenditure £2974.91 for current fiscal year
 - 3.2. Cumulative Funds £6553.21

MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Councillor Jenny Chambers will be North Vale representative on North Cheriton Village Hall User Group Committee.
- Councillors thanked retiring councillors Connie Hurt and Derek Smith for their services.

Meeting finished at 8.30pm

Phil Bourne - Clerk North Vale Parish Council