

ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7th
November 2023 – 7pm; meeting held in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs A Forbes (Chair), G Hall (Deputy Chair) J Verplancke (quorate).

In Attendance: Linda Ledingham (Clerk)

Ian Hall (DCC)

Tim Pedder (P3)

9 members of the public were also present.

The Chair welcomed all in attendance and outlined Fire Safety precautions.

Public Forum

- i) Police Report: None received
- ii) P3 Report: Tim Pedder reported that a gate post at Porch Farm FP66 was rotten and in need of replacing. He also reported that a sign post was in a similar condition. Both issues will be addressed.
- iii) DCC Report: Cllr Ian Hall gave his October report, which can be found, in full detail, on the ASPC gov.uk website. Clerk confirmed that Cllr Hall's monthly reports will be published on the website.
- iv) EDDC Report: Apologies were received from Cllr D Mackinder.
- v) The following representations were brought to the attention of the council:

A member of the public reported that there had been a lot of machinery using Pub Lane, which has resulted in surface damage. Cllr Hall will follow up with Devon Highways.

A member of the public expressed frustration that, following numerous attempts, they had been unable to make direct contact with the Member for Yarty Ward.

Cllr. Hall offered to contact local police with a view to having representation from them at the All Saints Parish Council meetings.

Chair expressed the need for the Parish to take responsibility for repairing potholes. Cllr Hall commented that Chapter 8 training is a legal requirement. He will send all the relevant information to the clerk.

	<p>A member of the public requested an update on the VAS which is shared by Chardstock and All Saints. Cllr. Hall gave a short summary on the history of this situation. This is an on going situation, which has been hampered by the handovers to Chardstock and All Saints Parish Clerks. Further investigation by Clerk required.</p> <p>A member of the public requested an update on the lack of a planning application for change of use for the Ridgeway Public House. They were advised to contact the Principal Planning Office at Devon District Council, copy to the Clerk.</p> <p>The Chair closed the Public Forum at 7.40pm</p>
7.40pm	Meeting commences.
OM23/072	To note members of the Parish Council in attendance: As listed above.
OM23/073	To note members not present and to receive any other apologies for absence: Apologies received from Cllr Duncan McKinder, Yarty Ward Member.
OM23/074	Declarations of interest under the Code of Conduct: No declarations were made.
OM23/075	<p>To consider and, if thought fit, approve the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of All Saints Parish Council, held on 5th September 2023 and circulated to members of the Council:</p> <p>Approval of the minutes of this Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council were proposed by A Forbes, seconded by J Verplancke. Resolved</p> <p>Matters arising from these minutes: No matters arising.</p>
OM23/076	Chairman’s announcements/Matters of Urgency. No announcements were made.
OM23/077	To consider matters pertaining to the two Casual Vacancies that exist on the Parish Council:

	<p>Clerk reported that all relevant paperwork had been raised and posted on the Parish Notice Board and websites. Approval had been received from the Returning Officer at EDDC to co-opt two new Councillors on to the Parish Council.</p> <p>Glenn Fletcher, proposed by Cllr Verplancke Shelagh Barnard, proposed by Cllr Forbes</p> <p>All approved and resolved. New Councillors signed their Acceptance of Office form.</p>
OM23/078	<p>Planning Matters to be considered: 23/2132/FUL Ashcroft, All Saints, EX13 7LX Erection of free-standing galvanized tube framework, supporting a PV array of 8 panels, located over the top of existing shed. SUPPORT proposed by Cllr Verplancke, seconded by Cllr Forbes. Resolved</p> <p>23/2203/FUL Porch Farm, Smallridge, EX13 7JH Replacement of existing concrete yard (retrospective). SUPPORT proposed by Cllr Forbes, seconded by Cllr Fletcher. Resolved.</p>
OM23/079	<p>Planning Correspondence to be considered: None received.</p>
OM23/080	<p>Financial Matters to be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the Q1 Accounts for All Saints Parish Council ii) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the accounts for July to September 2023. <p>Following representations from the clerk and Cllr Fletcher (i) and (ii) above were approved.</p> <p>Proposed by S Barnard, seconded by J Verplancke</p>
OM23/081	<p>To consider the quotes received for the removal of two ash trees, in the cricket field, which have ash dieback:</p> <p>Clerk reported that two quotes had been received. Before proceeding, Clerk to check with landlords (Salisbury Diocese)</p>

	to ascertain if they have a responsibility to cover the cost of removing the two trees. Cllr Hall will send information on Ash Dieback and Responsibility Landowner vs Leaseholder/Tenant.
OM23/082	<p>(i) To consider whether 6 defibrillators, at present located in five other parishes, should remain on the All Saints Parish Council Register of Assets.</p> <p>(ii) The removal of the training defibrillator and associated equipment to Axminster.</p> <p>(i) Clerk reported that all 6 defibrillators had been located. Dunkeswell were maintaining and insuring their defibrillator and Rousdon/Combepyne were doing the same. These can now be removed from the ASPC Register of Assets. With regard to the 3 defibrillators at Chardstock, Hawkchurch and Kilmington these have now been re-registered with The Circuit and the ASPC clerk named as The Guardian.</p> <p>(ii) Clerk reported that the British Heart Foundation had been informed that the training defibrillator and associated equipment had been removed to Axminster. A request for volunteers to undertake defibrillator training will be published in the December Parish Newsletter and on the Parish Council websites.</p>
OM23/083	<p>To consider submissions of content for the 2023 Parish Church Newsletter.</p> <p>Clerk to write submissions and send to Councillors for approval.</p>
OM23/084	<p>To consider implementing changes to the two Parish websites to better organise and improve access to important information and introduce new facilities to help keep all parishioners informed. Additionally, allow less-abled users to have additional control of how to use and view the websites:</p> <p>John Adams, parishioner and IT expert, was invited to talk about proposed changes to the gov.uk and org.uk websites. John gave an in depth verbal presentation on how the two websites can be improved. A prototype had been circulated to Councillor's.</p> <p><i>At this point Chair suspended standing orders.</i></p>

	<p>General discussion ensued! Council will decide on what they need. Chair proposed setting up a sub-committee to discuss amongst themselves. John Adams was asked to attend.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Hall, seconded by Cllr Verplanke</p>
OM23/085	<p>To consider publishing the Draft Minutes of Parish Council meetings on websites and notice boards:</p> <p>It was agreed that the draft minutes of Parish Council Meetings would be published on the notice board and websites prior to approval at the following meeting.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Barnard, Seconded by J Verplanke</p> <p><i>Chair suspended standing orders</i> Replacing notice boards was discussed as, with the exception of the Village Hall Noticeboard, they are all unfit for purpose. Clerk and Cllr Hall to look at options.</p>
OM23/086	<p>Date and Time of Council's next Ordinary Meeting: 9th January 2023</p>
OM23/087	<p>To be proposed that, under the provisions of Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting), Act 1960 as amended by Local Government Act 1972, the public (including press) be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.</p>
OM23/088	<p>Matters to be considered in confidential discussion:</p> <p>None</p>

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