



# SEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Seavington Millennium Hall on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 6.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr A Doble (Chair), Cllr J Pendleton, Cllr P Parsons, Cllr C Reyland, Cllr N England, Cllr J Roundell-Greene, Mrs S Doble (Clerk)

**Also Present:**

There were no members of the public present.

**Questions and comments from members of the public**

There were no questions from the public

**Reports from Somerset Councillors (limited to 10 minutes in total)**

The Somerset Councillors are invited to give short oral or written reports on matters affecting Seavington Parish. Members of the public, as well as Councillors, may ask questions or make comments on matters raised.

Cllr Roundell-Greene reported that the slimming down of Somerset Council has begun and should be finished by the end of the year.

Cllr Pendleton asked Cllr Roundell-Greene if other LCN areas were in as much disarray as the Ilminster, Crewkerne and South Petherton area. He felt that the only areas probably benefiting from the meetings were the larger towns and that the small Parish Councils are struggling to compete. He also said that it is the LCN's AGM this Thursday (13<sup>th</sup> June 2024) and that he will not be attending this or any future meetings.

Cllr Reyland asked Cllr Roundell-Greene about the Ranger scheme, he said that it is very disjointed and our Ranger doesn't turn up on our regular day. It was stated that it has become obvious that our Ranger has not been attending as there are areas within the village which need attention.

**3811 To receive and agree any apologies for non-attendance:**

Apologies were received from Cllr C Taylor and Cllr A Dance

**3812 Declarations of Interest:** E.g. Shop and Community Land Trust (CLT)

**3813 To receive and approve minutes of the Parish Council from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

Members unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 as a correct record and signed.

**Proposed** Cllr Pendleton **Seconded** Cllr England

**3814 Chairman's Announcements:**

There were no announcements from the Chairman

**3815 Clerks Updates:**

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council Insurance has been paid and the renewal documents received and filed.

**3816 To receive updates on the Current Village Planning matters:**

**A. Application No 22/03382/REM** Reserved Matters for the approval of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of planning consent 19/01070/OUT; Outline application for residential development together with the formation of vehicular access to plots. **(awaiting decision)**

- B. Application No 21/02654/FUL** Erection of buildings to store and facilitate the construction of carnival floats **(awaiting decision)**
- C. Application No 22/00610 Land at Upton Lane, Seavington St Michael (awaiting decision)**
- D. Application No: 23/02010/S73A** – S73A application to vary condition 9 of planning approval 20/00732/FUL for Increase and variation of feedstock (to include additional farm, dairy waste, by-products and farmyard manure) and the installation of a dome on the digestate storage tank to the existing on-farm Anaerobic Digester (AD) plant. **(awaiting decision)**
- E. Application No: 23/02185/FUL.** Erection of a single dwelling and creation of associated access and parking. Alterations to existing access to serve Kelvin Cottage. **(awaiting decision)**

Members noted that there was nothing to report on any of the planning application.

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**Resolutions (Inc Planning – when applicable):**

- A. To DISCUSS** the reply received to our letter regarding the overgrown hedge.  
The Clerk advised the Councillors that she had received an email from the tenant of the property who advised that the owner of the property will be in contact with the Parish Council directly to sort the matter out. It was also pointed out that the hedge has been allow to grow over the wall and that this wall would be the boundary of the property. It was decided to wait until September at which time we would remind the owners to take action regarding the hedge in.  
**Proposed** Cllr Doble **Seconded** Cllr Pendleton
- B. To DISCUSS** and **APPROVE** the quote for the replacement of the manhole cover received from C E Rutter Construction Limited.  
Members unanimously **RESOLVED** to accept the quote received from C E Rutter Construction Limited for the replacement of the manhole cover.  
**Proposed** Cllr Pendleton **Seconded** Cllr Parsons

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**To receive any additional information (if any) on the following:**

- A. SID's and Community Speedwatch - Cllr Pendleton**  
Reported by a resident that tankers and farm vehicles are coming down the road from Lopen into the village at speed. They asked if the SID could be sited in the 40mph limit, however it was decided by Parish Councillors that the SID's will have more effect in the 30mph limits in the village. Clerk is to Email Arla to ask if the drivers would be more aware and considerate towards people walking along this stretch of road.
- B. Highways issues - Cllr Pendleton**  
It has been reported that in School Lane there is a yew tree which is over grown and could become dangerous for residents to walk past. Cllr Pendleton will contact Lee Norman at Highways as a license is required for pruning yew trees.
- C. Ranger Scheme –**  
Cllr Reyland is to ask the Ranger to cut around the gateway at the top of village and also the playing fields needs attention.
- D. Village Footpaths - Cllr England**  
It has been asked if the footpath in Dark Lane be cut.
- E. Seavington Playing Field Association - Cllr Doble**  
Cllr Doble reported that the Quiz night was a huge success and made £334.30. He went on the say that the Kitchen has been ordered with Howdens as the price goes up at the end of June. The Broadband is being installed tomorrow (12<sup>th</sup> June 2024). Ken is leaving as cleaner/caretaker at the end of July.
- F. Seavington Community Shop & Café - Cllr Parsons**  
Cllr Parsons will go to their next meeting.

**G. LCN - Cllr Pendleton**  
Nothing further to report

**H. Defibrillators in the two villages – update regarding training course.**  
Nothing to Report

**I. Volunteers and the free strimming course that the Parish Council has in hand with Somerset Council.**  
Nothing to Report

**3819 Finance Matters:**

**A. Balances:**

Current Account: £2,858.56  
Savings Account: £35,053.62  
Reserves Account: £19,524.85

**B. To note the items of expenditure that have been pre approvingly paid.**

Date	Suppliers VAT No	Brief Description of Supply	Payment Type/Chq No	Reference	Invoice No	Ranger	Meeting Venue Hire	Insurance	Grass Cutting Playing Field	Grants	Subscriptions	Clerks Wages	Payroll	HMRC - Clerk	Clerks Overtime	SPFA Clerks Wages	Clerk Training	Defibs	Website & Emails	Sundries	VAT	Total
15/04/2024		Clear Councils	BACS	10	100723637BDN			£ 405.08														£ 405.08
07/05/2024	243 217042	K M Dike Nurseries (Halcyon Landscapes)	BACS	11	1957				£ 346.67													£ 346.67
28/05/2024	172 6705 02	Post Office Ltd	Debit Card	12																£ 1.13	£ 0.22	£ 1.35
30/05/2024		Clerks Wages	BACS	13							£ 326.00				£ 125.18	£ 260.00						£ 711.98
03/05/2024		Seanington Playing Fields Association - Venue	BACS	14	240605		£ 24.00															£ 24.00
04/05/2024	453 8510 46	Bradford's Building Supplies	Debit Card	15	205/75272784																	£ 52.41
04/01/1900	453 8510 46	Bradford's Building Supplies	Debit Card	16	205/50734094																	£ 10.48
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**C. To agree and note the items of expenditure and approve payments since the last meeting.**

**3820 Date of next Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

Meeting Closed at 7.18pm