



SEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Seavington Millennium Hall on Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 6.30pm.

Present:

Cllr A Doble (Chair), Cllr J Pendleton, Cllr Parsons, Cllr C Reyland, Cllr C Taylor (via Zoom), Cllr England, Cllr J Roundell-Greene, Mrs S Doble (Clerk)

Also Present:

There were 7 members of the public present.

Questions and comments from members of the public

A resident asked what impact has the situation with Somerset Council had on the Parish Council. Cllr Roundell-Greene said more information will be coming out and our Parish Council may have to take on some hedge and verge cutting. She indicated that dog poo bin emptying will still continue.

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.

Somerset Cllrs report has been received and uploaded onto The Seavingtons website.

The Somerset Council's budget has been approved and they are looking at savings and slimming down Somerset Council with lots of people being made redundant.

The good news that the Gravity Site at Bridgwater has been approved and should bring in 4,000 jobs.

Lloyds Bank is closing in Ilminster, Cllr Roundell-Greene has informed the Parish Council that Cllr Dance is campaigning for a banking hub to be opened Ilminster.

Jo Roundell-Greene left the meeting at 18.53

3780 To receive and agree any apologies for non-attendance:

Cllr A Dance sent his apologies.

3781 Co-Opt a new Councillor and complete the necessary paperwork and forms.

Members unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllr England to be Co-Opted as a Parish Councillor for Seavington St Mary, the relevant paperwork was completed.

Proposed Cllr Pendleton **Seconded** Cllr Doble

3782 Declarations of Interest: E.g. Shop and Community Land Trust (CLT)

No Further declarations of interest were received.

3783 To receive and approve minutes of the Parish Council from Tuesday 20th February 2024

Members unanimously **RESOLVED** the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20th February 2024 as a correct record and signed.

Proposed Cllr Taylor **Seconded** Cllr Pendleton

3784 Chairman's Announcements:

Nothing to Report

3785 Clerks Updates:
The Clerk reported that she has attended the training course on Audit.
The Clerk reported that she has received via email the audit forms needed for the 2023-24 audit from PKF Littlejohn.

3786 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. **(pending)**
B. Application No 21/02654/FUL Erection of buildings to store and facilitate the construction of carnival floats **(update)**
C. Application No 22/00610 Land at Upton Lane, Seavington St Michael (pending)
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.
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)**
F. Application No: 24/00237/HOU. To discuss and prepare feedback on the two storey rear extension at Longhay Cottage, Church Lane, Seavington St Mary, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0QP

MEMBERS noted that **Application No 24/00237/HOU** has been approved.

Cllr Taylor asked if there were any updates regarding the fence erected at Kelvin Cottage. The neighbours have reported it to Somerset Council. Cllr Pendleton said that it is about 2 metres high which is actually permissible on their own boundary.

3787 Resolutions (Inc Planning – when applicable):
A. To DISCUSS and RESOLVE that the Village Assets form is up-to-date, correct and signed by the Chairman.
Members unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Village Assets form is up-to-date and correct. This was then signed by the Chairman.
Proposed Cllr Pendleton Seconded Cllr England

B. To DISCUSS and RESOLVE for the Parish Council to pay for the safety inspection of the Children Play Equipment within the play park.
After a lengthy discussion Members unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should pay for one year, and review again next year, for the safety inspection for the Children Play Equipment within the play park.
Proposed Cllr Doble Seconded Cllr Pendleton

C. To DISCUSS and RESOLVE the email received from Somerset Council regarding Sandbags and the possibility of setting up a Flood Community Emergency Plan.
This matter has been deferred to the next meeting.

3788 To receive any additional information (if any) on the following:
A. SID's and Community Speedwatch - Cllr Pendleton
Cllr Parsons asked if they could be moved. Cllr England and Cllr Pendleton will move the SID's to another place within the village.
B. Highways issues - Cllr Pendleton
Potholes – It is statutory that Somerset Council have to continue repairing the potholes.
C. Ranger Scheme - Cllr Reyland
Nothing to Report. Cllr Parsons has asked for a list of the jobs that the Ranger does each week.

Stephen Morris left the meeting at 19.25.

D. Village Footpaths - Cllr Reyland
Nothing to Report

E. Seavington Playing Field Association - Cllr Doble
Nothing to Report

F. Seavington Community Shop & Café - Cllr Parsons
Cllr Parsons has received a report which she will email to Cllrs regarding revamping of the till area.

G. LCN - Cllr Pendleton
There is a meeting on Thursday and will report afterwards.

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

3789 Finance Matters:

A. Balances: Current Account: £1,457.06 & Savings Account £18,997.29 (£20.95 increase due to Bank Interest)

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	Clerks Overtime	SPFA Clerks Wages	Clerk Training	Defibs	Website & Emails	Sundries	VAT	Total	Reconciled
19/02/2024	319 4196 46	N Reyland & Son	BACS	67															£75.00	£15.00	£90.00	✓
26/01/2024	989 6684 23	Unlimited Webhosting	BACS	68														£5.99		£1.20	£7.19	✓
09/02/2024	989 6684 23	Unlimited Webhosting	BACS	69														£5.99		£1.20	£7.19	✓
21/02/2024	220 4302 31	Tesco - Get Well Card - Peter Ash	D/Card	70															£0.83	£0.17	£1.00	✓
28/02/2024		Clerks Salary	BACS	72								£326.00			£277.59						£603.59	✓
01/03/2024		Seavington Millennium Hall Hire	BACS	73			£24.00														£24.00	✓
06/03/2024	131 2544 12	Somerset Council - Ranger - February	BACS	74		£704.18														£140.84	£845.02	✓

It was noted that the Clerk/RFO has paid two invoices since the printing of the agenda. Unlimited webhosting for £119.88 and a get-well card for £1.50.

C. To agree and note the items of expenditure and approve payments since the last meeting.

3790 Date of next Meeting – 16th April 2024

Meeting Closed at 19.32