



SEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Seavington Millennium Hall on Tuesday 20th February 2024 at 6.30pm.

Present:

Cllr A Doble (Chair), Cllr J Pendleton, Cllr C Reyland, Cllr C Taylor, Cllr A Dance, Mrs S Doble (Clerk)

Also Present:

There were 2 members of the public present.

Questions and comments from members of the public

It has been reported to the Parish Council that work had been undertaken by members of the village at Rowdells Orchard. This has involved the pruning the trees and disposal of the wood. Even though the Orchard is not within the jurisdiction of the Parish Council they would like to thank the members of the village for their kind work. It was also reported that Somerset Council have cut the grass in Rowdells Orchard.

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 yet to be received and therefore it will be uploaded onto The Seavingtons website as soon as it has.

Somerset Councils budget has now been passed and will start immediately. The Government didn't allow the additional rise in council tax.

The Stroke unit will be moved from Yeovil Hospital to Dorchester and Taunton Hospitals which unfortunately could impact people living in the Parish.

3769 To receive and agree any apologies for non-attendance:

Cllr Parsons and Cllr J Roundell Greene have given their apologies

3770 Declarations of Interest: E.g. Shop and Community Land Trust (CLT)

3771 To receive and approve minutes of the Parish Council from Tuesday 16th January 2024

Members unanimously **RESOLVED** the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16th January 2024 as a correct record and signed.

Proposed Cllr Pendleton **Seconded** Cllr Taylor

3772 Chairman's Announcements:

Somerset Councils Ranger scheme is to rise in price significantly in April 2024. The Parish Council has obtained a quote from Parson Landscape which is lower in price. However, it was decided that Karen does know the job and doesn't need supervising which is very valuable. Clerk to email accepting Somerset Council highlighting that there are other companies offering cheaper schemes but we would like to have Somerset Council for our Ranger Scheme but we must insist on having Karen.

Proposed Cllr Reyland **Seconded** Cllr Pendleton - Members unanimously **AGREED**

3773 Clerks Updates:
Nothing to report

3774 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 22/03141/HOU** Removal of two pitched roofs, raising of the eaves, and the construction of one new roof to allow a replacement second bedroom on the first floor. Thyme Cottage, Old A303 Seavington St Michael, Ilminster. **(pending)**
- C. Application No 21/02654/FUL** Erection of buildings to store and facilitate the construction of carnival floats **(update)**
- D. Application No 22/00610 Land at Upton Lane, Seavington St Michael (pending)**
- E. 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.
- F. 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** Application No 22/03141/HOU - Thyme Cottage planning application has been withdrawn.

3775 Resolutions (Inc Planning – when applicable):

- A. 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 unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council doesn't have objections.

Proposed Cllr Doble **Seconded** Cllr Taylor

- B.** To agree and **RESOLVE** as to whether the Clerk shall attend a training course on Audit which is being run by SALC at a cost of £35.00.

Members unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Clerk shall attend the training course on Audit.

Proposed Cllr Doble **Seconded** Cllr Taylor

3776 To receive any additional information (if any) on the following:

- A.** SID's and Community Speedwatch - Cllr Pendleton
Nothing to report

- B.** Highways issues - Cllr Pendleton

The state of roads are poor, some pothole repairs are taking place, drainage and gullies are still a huge issue. Quality of work is very poor and because contractors are being used, they are deciding what work is being done and not doing the work they are told, they also have so much work and not enough time to do the repairs properly.

There is a roads group meeting for the LCN on Thursday 21st February, Cllr Pendleton will attend.

- C.** Ranger Scheme - Cllr Reyland

Nothing further to report. See Chairmans announcements.

- D.** Footpaths – Cllr Reyland

Nothing to report

- E.** Cherry Tree Site Planting - Cllr Reyland

Weeping Silver Birch has now been planted to replace the Cherry Tree and a Liquid Amber has been planted to replace the "Ash Family Tree" which has been sponsored by Peter Ash.

