



BRIDGWATER WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Bridgwater Without Parish Council was held at Morgonians RFC on Thursday 22 March 2018

Present Parish Councillors Carver, Davies, Ellicott, Hooper, Lane, Young, District Councillor Perry, Alder, County Councillor Hall and 1 parishioner.

- 1320. Councillor Davies welcomed members to the meeting.
- 1321. There were apologies received from Councillor Kennedy.
- 1322. Councillor Ellicott declared a personal interest in the planning appeal 1329.
- 1323. Public speaking ~ Mrs Hellier shared news that the holes in the fencing on the school boundary had been secured.
- 1324. Minutes of the meetings held February 28th 2018 were signed as correct.
- 1325. Arising ~ 1275 Councillor Alder had spoken to legal at SDC, not their issue. Councillor Hall said that the public have right of way across the car park, pedestrian not vehicular. He also reported that Alwyn Jones is programming a safety audit for issues raised.
- 1326. Councillor Hall reported libraries consultation had been extended and urged councillors to comment. He reported that Highways had coped well with the recent extreme weather. Second reading for the SRA precepting bill is currently going through parliament.
Councillor Alder reported staffing reorganisation that will take in more than 2 years which will better use staff skills and be cost effective. East Bridgwater development has been approved, this will give 12 years of business in Bower Lane, the road structures will be in place first. Work continues on Northgate site a cinema and eateries planned.
Councillor Perry reported that grants that are usually available are currently oversubscribed, there will be further rounds mid-summer. Musgrove Elliot ward had been experiencing difficulties that resulted in patients being transferred to Bridgwater hospital. She also warned people who weren't aware that there is a bus lane operating in Bathpool and that fines are being issued for illegal use.
Councillor Davies asked when the parish would be included in the East Bridgwater consultation, Councillor Alder replied that there will be the opportunity for comments.
Councillor Perry said that infrastructure will be in place first.
Councillor Young asked what was happening to the £400,000 fine imposed on Hinkley, this money will be ring fenced for housing.
Councillor Hall and Alder left the meeting at 8.15pm.
- 1327. Clerk reported £59,222.94 in bank as at 05/03/2018, payments below agreed. Cheque for St John (St John and St Francis) was discussed.

Payee	Amount	Cheque no
Hall hire	£35.00	000462
SDC (dog bins)	£502.27	000457
Community Heart Beat Trust	£5532.00	000463
St John Ambulance (St John and St Francis)	£222.00	000464
St John Ambulance (Willowdown Academy)	£222.00	000465
Dr M. W. Lown (Parish Day)	£190.00	000466
Lucy Hartland-Mann (Parish Day)	£150.00	000467
Mrs K Lang (Clerk expenses)	£139.50	000468

Clerk reported painting notice boards, new name boards are on order to show the new website. Defibrillator should be in place by next meeting but won't be actioned immediately as need to be online with emergency services first, defibrillator training is included in the package.

Bus shelter and defibrillators had been added to the insurance policy. Libraries consultations had been extended.

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Grant application for fencing at the Pavilion was agreed, proposed by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Carver, agreed by all.

1328. Councillor Young reported that the ditches near Eastside Farm are full with slurry, Clerk to contact environment agency. Councillor Ellicott declared an interest as this is his neighbour.

Councillor Carver asked for an update on the litter bin request for Kings Down, Clerk to contact Hallam.

Councillor Ellicott reported he had spoken with Mole Valley reference siting a defibrillator, he is awaiting further responses.

Councillor Davies reported having spoken with enforcement regarding a forthcoming event at Little Sydenham Barn. It was a condition of the planning approval that Mr Moate complies with certain works to be completed prior to any events. Clerk to contact Mr Colin Arnold in the enforcement team at SDC.

1329. Planning appeal, Councillor Ellicott left the room, Councillor Davies outlined this, Mr Ellicott is appealing against the planning decision stating he should remove the temporary building that his cowman was living in. He requires this building to be used as a welfare facility for his farm workers. He also has students from Bridgwater College that use the farm as part of their studies who require restroom facilities. Councillor Davies read the SDC statement. He confirmed that as an employer he is required to provide facilities for his workers. Councillor Carver commented that from the original site meeting the building definitely lends itself to being a welfare building. Councillor Young proposed supporting the appeal seconded by Councillor Lane, all agreed.

1330. Pavilion update, Councillor Carver reported that despite requesting for information from the YMCA nothing happens. Councillor Davies reported that SDC are keen to hand the pavilion to the parish council. This would mean that the PC would be responsible for all aspects of the running of it. Clearly there will be a period of time where SDC and the parish council will be discussing how this will happen. Clerk to contact YMCA to arrange to meet to look at bookings and financial aspects.

1331. Highways ~ nothing to report

1332. Parish Day ~ Mrs Kennedy has booked a bouncy castle and obstacle course (people providing this also attended the Willowdown Fair) cost to be approx. £100.

1333. Date of next meeting 19/04/2018 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

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