



A meeting of Bridgwater Without Parish Council was held at Morganians RFC on Thursday 16 January 2020.

Present Parish Councillors Davies, Ellicott, Lane, Kennedy, Mason, Young, and 2 parishioners.

- 1616. Councillor Davies welcomed members to the meeting.
- 1617. There were no apologies
- 1618. Declarations of interest in the agenda ~ none.
- 1619. Public speaking ~ Mrs Kennedy raised the issue of the parking at Kingsdown Pavilion at school end of day. This has been an ongoing issue and she is extremely concerned that a child may be seriously injured and are in immediate danger. She explained that she had tried to park to attend a meeting at the pavilion and was unable. Parents are parking anywhere not considering others, issues were compounded by building works at the school. The car park belongs to the pavilion, putting barriers was discussed but this would force parents onto the road, using the road safety signs that were purchased for the school but hadn't been used. Clerk to chase the use of the waste ground adjacent to the pavilion. Mrs Hellier reported she had discovered that the footpath in front of the properties on Regal Walk was actually owned by the home owners. Clerk to establish ownership of the old railway line as this could provide a natural footpath.
- 1620. Minutes of the meeting held 23 October 2019 were signed as a correct record
- 1621. Arising from minutes – covered in Clerks report.
- 1622. Clerk reported that Councillor Hall was making progress with pedestrian crossing and footpath issue at Kings Down.
- 1623. Neighbourhood Plan was discussed Councillor Lane reported that he had been researching the impact of them in other parishes and can now see the huge benefits. Agreed that Councillors Bond, Davies, Kennedy and Mason would become a sub-committee to support the process.
- 1624. Councillor Young pot holes remain in Bower Lane and expressed dismay that Persimmon Homes do not plant trees to balance the impact of the removal of trees and hedgerows during building works.
Councillor Kennedy reported the use of motorbike on the riverbank footpaths ~ Clerk to report.
Councillor Bond reported the speed of traffic on Dunwear Lane, it is understood that speed checks have been planned.
- 1625. Precept ~ budget sheet attached, agreed to set at £31,367 an increase of 18% giving households an increase of .55p.
- 1626. Clerk report attached
- 1627. Kingsdown Pavilion report attached
- 1628. Planning

09/19/0021/EC Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of garage and stores as dependent annex.	West View, Bath Road, Horsey, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8PF Mr Arif	Object as building is outside the development zone. Difficult to know if it meets the criteria of time for certificate of lawfulness to apply. The Parish Council believe that it is not being used for dependants.
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Date

09/19/00023/AN Full Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling.	East Side Farm, Crow Lane, Bridgwater, TA7 8QP Proposal:	Agreed to support as there is an agricultural need, the building meets farming ratio criteria but is essential that there is an agricultural tie attached.
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1629. Date of next meeting 20/02/2020 Meeting closed at 10.30pm

Proposed budget 2020

Income	2019	2020	
Donations	nil	nil	£31360 ~ rate for households 36.49, (2019-20 was 36.53). Raising the precept by 16% results in a .04p saving for households.
Grants	nil	nil	
Precept	27035	31360	
Total	27035	31360	
Expenditure			
Staff costs Clerk	6184	6493	Allows for 5% cost rises and payment for SDC payroll service
Staff costs handyman	nil	2080	4 hrs per week x £8.00 x52 weeks
Training		300	
Insurance	361	375	
Audit (internal and external)	260	300	£20.00 internal £180.00 external
Telephone	166	166	
Hall hire	420	525	To allow extra meetings (13)
Website	288	288	Mthly charge
Travel cost		64	Meetings training etc.
Sundries	100	100	Paper, pens, cartridges, envelopes,
Equipment	865	600	Update clerks laptop ~ £599.00
Works within the parish	6120	3000	
Defibrillator upkeep	162	180	
Expenses	100	100	
Donations to charity	2300	2500	
Grants	5755	6000	
Pavilion costs (Fencing)	2550	3000	To support keyless entry to the showers and gates to improve security.
Dog bin supply/empty	2956	3000	
Hospitality	417	500	Christmas meal
Parish party	1145	2000	
Contingency			To cover extra costs unforeseen
Total	30149	31571	



Clerks Report January 2020

In bank as at 05/01/2020 £41,523.99

Cheques for payment

Morganians (hall hire)	000439	£35.00
Essential Cleaning (KDP)	000428	£518.40
Courtney Jones Plumbing (KDP)	000438	£60.00
Coomber Security	000437	305.16

Footpath KD – David Hall reports that he is making progress with this.

Footpath 1599 – from Bower Lane to bridge that crosses motorway, this has now been cleared.

1 Pot-holes – Dunwear has been reported again! Chedzoy Lane has been completed.

De-fib – The electrician reported that Mole Valley will restrict the installation time, am trying to arrange for the defib engineer and the electrician to be on site at the same time to complete works, ME has agreed to talk to Mole Valley if necessary.

Dunwear – Works are taking place slowly, the original footpath will be uncovered, additional daffodils have been planted.

The Christmas meal obviously didn't happen, another date?

CIL monies have not been received yet but £3711.82 should be paid to the Parish Council in April 2020 (@15% if 25% would be £6186.36), £3711.82 should be paid to the Parish Council in April 2021 – however if SDC receive this payment prior to 30th September 2020, then the meaningful proportion would be paid in October 2020. (@15% if 25% would be £6186.36).

S106 monies available, this money could be used to fund projects in the parish, possibly to support works at KDP.

Squibbers Way ~ has no bins and no speed limit, will contact Bridgwater Town Council, SDC and SCC to ask what they are proposing. There are no barriers to prevent vehicles and motorbikes/scooter accessing the river bank, this will cause issues during elver fishing and summer.

Dogs Helping Kids ~ Willowdown have asked if ongoing funding (Sponsorship) was agreed, if you recall there is no guarantee that the dog will complete all the training/assessments successfully. Marilyn might be able to help with the info regarding this.

Pavilion Report

School building works have commenced, car parking has become a greater issue, I have contacted Hallam and the land adjacent to the pavilion is to be licensed to Myspace for the duration of the works.

Hall (main hall) has been decorated.



Kitchen is an issue as it is impossible to cook for any numbers greater than 6, suggest looking at an industrial kitchen.

Coombers have quoted for CCTV improvements and keyless door/alarm.

Automatic door ~ £1973.00 plus vat

Alarm ~ £275 plus vat

Keyless system ~ £8678.00 plus vat

CCTV ~ £980 plus vat – annual contract £80.00 plus vat

Fire risk assessment complete, working on findings.

The Senior Citizen Christmas Lunch was a huge success, 38 people served and 5 meals were delivered, a great buzz in the room! Children from Willowdown came and sang carols after the lunch.

Bingo followed the lunch and again was a great success.

Dog walking on the pitch is again an issue, the padlock from the small gate at the top of the pitch has disappeared, have asked Callaghan fencing to quote for a larger gate with padlock access only available from the pitch side and have asked for self-closer on the gate.

Planning is underway for another Party at the Pavilion, 3 bands, bar, security, stewards, and first-aid, booked.

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