



A meeting of **Bridgwater Without Parish Council** was held virtually on Thursday 22nd April 2021 at **6.00pm**, Present Parish Councillors Davies, Kennedy, Young, Mason, Ellicott, Lane, County Councillor Hall and 2 representatives from Vestry Homes.

Item number	Minute
1705	Chairman welcomed members to the meeting including representatives from Vestry Homes.
1706	Apologies Gary Bond and Liz Perry.
1707	Robbie Davies declared an interest in the agenda item 1707 and Mike Ellicott in item 1714.
1708	Planning application 09/20/00021 Sarah Hawkins from Vestry Homes outlined the changes that had been made in response to the PC objections, she explained that strong emphasis had been put on the green credentials. There was a bridge across the rhine to enable movement to the Willow Man and the play area. Gave times for walking to the school of 12 minutes. She explained that there were potential sites for future bridges across the rhine but that as they did not own the land no timescales could be given. Malcolm Young proposed, David Lane seconded, agreed to approve as the development will meet the needs for affordable/social housing.
1709	Public Speaking none
1710	Minutes from previous meetings - agreed.
1711	Arising from minutes - none
1712	Report from Councillor David Hall – Unitary council for Somerset under consideration by Secretary of State. EDF will be increasing workforce numbers as COVID comes under control, project is running 2 yrs. behind schedule. COVID number continue to reduce. Malcolm Young asked if there really would be a staff saving under the unitary options which was confirmed as figures suggest that One Somerset will save £18 to £20 million.
1713	Reports from Parish Councillors Paul Mason asked for information on RK Bell, Robbie said that he had spoken to Nick Bell who said that all lorries were sheeted and checked, he also disputed the speeding reference.

	Robbie Davies asked if the PC could look at the kissing gate at Opal Walk on Kings Down as it is not accessible for all, Clerk to talk to Hallam and obtain quote for works. He has also been approached by a resident of Regal Walk who is questioning why there is a fence preventing continued access which makes pedestrian movement dangerous. Clerk to investigate. Ryan Kennedy reported the motorbike issues on the footpath at Dunwear. Whilst this is continually reported to the Police obstacles such as the walk-through stile at Plum Lane, Clerk to obtain quotes. David Hall will talk to highways re the lack of obstacles at Squibbers Way. Building works at Riverside House River Lane, Clerk to request Planning Enforcement look at this. Mike Ellicott asked about the ponies at Kings Down, Clerk advised that the Police were dealing with this.		
1714	Report from Clerk and end of year accounts and audit statements. Postponed to next meeting.		
1715	Planning 09/21/00013/EC Change of use of existing agricultural building to B1(a) business use and B8 storage and distribution.	Mr M Ellicott, Sycamore House Chedzoy Lane Bridgwater Somerset TA7 8QR	Agreed to support as this is diversification and supports local business/economy.
	09/21/00012/ACN Full Planning Permission Applicant: Construction of headwall to the southern rhyne (in association with outline planning permission	Vistry Partnerships & Homes England Land to The East Of, Kings Road, Bridgwater	Agreed to support as is necessary works for the continuation of the development.
	09/21/00010/IL Full Planning Permission Erection of a livestock feeding area phase 2.	Mr Reed, East Side Farm Crow Lane Bridgwater TA7 8QP	Concerns were raised regarding the surface water drainage. Request an agricultural tie and an agricultural use only attached to this to prevent change to industrial use without further planning.
	09/21/00009/IL Full Planning Permission Erection of a livestock feeding area phase 1. 09/21/00008/IL Full Planning Permission Erection of open livestock yard area phase 4.	Mr Reed, East Side Farm Crow Lane Bridgwater TA7 8QP	



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1716	Date of next meeting 27/05/2021		

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Signed Clerk to Council