



The Annual meeting of **Bridgwater Without Parish Council** was held at Morganians RFC, Chedzoy Lane on Thursday 27th May 2021 at **7.00pm** followed by the monthly meeting. Present, Parish Councillors Bond, Davies, Ellicott, Lane, Mason and Young and 26 parishioners.

Item number	Agenda Allocated Time
1717	Welcome by the Chairman.
1718	Apologies Ryan Kennedy
1719	Declarations of interest in the agenda items – M Ellicott item 1729 Caravan storage – R Davies item 1729 Folletts Farm
1720	Public Speaking – none
1721	Election of Chairman Malcolm Young proposed Robbie Davies. Seconded Gary Bong
1722	Election of Vice-Chairman Ryan Kennedy was proposed by David Lane. This post was not filled because Ryan was not at the meeting.
1723	Minutes of meeting held 21/05/2019 were read aloud by the clerk, signed as a correct record.
1724	Minutes of virtual meetings were available for all in paper form, Clerk requested that these are read, and any questions are emailed to all to enable them to be fully answered.
1725	Arising from minutes will be emailed.
1726	Reports from District and County Councillors – clerk had arranged for them to join virtually, due to the large numbers of residents at the meeting the planning was heard first, Councillors Hall and Betty were in the waiting room but were not admitted, Councillor Perry attended in person but left building whilst planning was discussed which was lengthy. Councillor Perry did not re-join the meeting.

1727	Reports from Parish Councillors M Ellicott – potholes/edge of carriageway Chedzoy Lane – clerk to report. G Bond – fly tipping Dunwear Lane M Young – potholes Bower Lane. P Mason – verges Dunwear Lane IDB responsibility, clerk to request cutting from either SDC or Will Stone. R Davies – update fence at Regal Walk residents either side of the fence would like the fence removed, this is going to be removed and the situation will be monitored.																					
1728	Report from Clerk Annual Governance Statements 2020-21 were read and agreed. Section 2 of the Audit paperwork was agreed and signed. Risk Management was read and agreed, clerk drew attention to the passing of authority to the Clerk and Chairman during COVID. <table><tr><td>Accounting Statements</td><td>Year Ending 31/03/2020 £</td><td>Year ending 31/03/2021 £</td></tr><tr><td>Balance brought forward.</td><td>43013</td><td>34949</td></tr><tr><td>Precept +</td><td>27035</td><td>31807</td></tr><tr><td>Other receipts +</td><td>17486</td><td>32973</td></tr><tr><td>Staff costs -</td><td>12569</td><td>12884</td></tr><tr><td>All other payments -</td><td>40016</td><td>43490</td></tr><tr><td>Balance carried forward.</td><td>34949</td><td>43355</td></tr></table> Accounts will be available for public rights of inspection from Monday 29th June 2020 to Friday 14th August 2020 between the hours of 6pm to 8pm by appointment only. Virtual appoints available. Mr R Young instructed as internal auditor – no relation to Mr M Young, parish councillor. Clerk reported an accounts package Scribe Accounts and Bookings that could reduce some of the accounts workload and would enable her to produce monthly recs, there is a possibility for councillors to have a login to be able to view not amend this would increase security for the parish council and improve transparency. Ensures full GDPR. Full support and training package included in the costs. There is also an option to have an online booking package that could have a link on the website for people to book and pay for hire of KDP.	Accounting Statements	Year Ending 31/03/2020 £	Year ending 31/03/2021 £	Balance brought forward.	43013	34949	Precept +	27035	31807	Other receipts +	17486	32973	Staff costs -	12569	12884	All other payments -	40016	43490	Balance carried forward.	34949	43355
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	Clerk has spoken to Banwell Parish Council who use this system, their clerk spoke very highly of the system. Scribe Accounts One off set up fee £197.00 plus a £24.00 month subscription paid annually £288.00 totalling £485.00 plus VAT. Annually will be £288.00 plus VAT from 2022. Scribe Bookings £29.00 monthly subscription paid annually £348.00 plus Stripe Integration for online payment £120.00 totally annual payment £468 plus VAT. Agreed unanimously to purchase this. KDP parking is causing issues as there are insufficient car parking spaces for pavilion users when there is training on the football pitch. Agreed to investigate with Trust MG the use of the waste land at the side of the pavilion. Water meter has been replaced. Rabbits continue to be a problem, agreed that there will need to be a different way to control. Internet has been connected to the building from initial build, required electrical connection this is being done this week. Showers estimate for push showers, agreed £1382.67. Dunwear works almost complete, clerk to look for a bench costing approx. £500.00. Sections of the footpath need tarmac, David Lane to look at this and agree works. Opal Walk footpath will have tarmac before the winter to prevent people needing to walk a muddy path during inclement weather.	
1729	Planning 09/21/00018/EC Full Planning Permission Change of use from agricultural land to caravan storage to include resurfacing of area, formation of landscape bunds and attenuation pond. Mr M Ellicott Sycamore Outbuildings Sycamore House Chedzoy Lane Bridgwater Somerset TA7 8QR	Mr Ellicott left the room. Location plan and ariel view looked at. Site well secluded, not visual from road, shielded from closest neighbours. Agreed to support the application as the applicant is diversifying from farming and this will retain employment. Proposed by D Lane Seconded by M Young All agreed. Mr Ellicott returned to the meeting.

	09/21/00017/AN Outline Planning Permission Folletts Farm, Dunwear Lane, Bridgwater, TA6 5HH Outline application with some matters reserved, for erection of 560 dwellings including vehicular, pedestrian and cycle access, car parking, public open space, landscaping, infrastructure, and other associated works. Lance Alec Rainey House and Hannick Homes Developments Limited Agent: Turley, 40 Queen Square Agent Address: 40 Queen Square Bristol	Residents gave opinions and concerns regarding the application – attached to the minutes. Major concerns discussed were traffic, infrastructure, density of homes, removal of hedges and trees, use of farming land and not using brownfield sites. Numbers of dwellings for the East of Bridgwater is targeted to be 1200, this application is 550 – nearly 50% of target on less than 33% of the land. COVID has changed the way this area is used; it is now a regular walking route for many people with family of all ages together with family pets. People cycle the lane to access the signposted route along the river towards the canal. Residents and visitors enjoy the rural aspect of Dunwear which supports social and emotional health and wellbeing. Traffic – entrances onto Dunwear Lane, an unclassified road which will create congestion for both current and new residents and is not fully addressed in the Local Plan. The extra congestion and pollution will create a negative effect including mental health issues. Dunwear Lane already has traffic movements of 100+ lorries daily, other associated vehicle movements to current industry as well as residential and leisure traffic. The development entrance at initial discussion was via a spine from the roundabout which would leave Dunwear Lane as is. Dunwear is a rural Hamlet and currently enjoys largely no street lighting this supports the active wildlife that habit the area undisturbed. There is total lack of consideration to the natural environment, there are many of wild birds and bats. The development will if approved in its current form will change Dunwear from rural to urban. Dunwear has historic interest. Agreed unanimously to object for the reasons stated above considering policies D20, D21, D22, D23, D25, D26, D30, D32.
1730	Date of next meetings - 14/06/2021 Solar Farm Presentation at Chedzoy Village Hall, time to be confirmed. Parish Meeting 24/06/2021 @ 7.30pm Morganians RFC	