

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held at the Old School, Englishcombe at 7:30pm Monday 4 November 2019

Present: Cllrs Robert Law (Chair), Brian Huggett, Matt Hulm, Tim Hancock, Brian Scurlock, Will Pow and District Cllr Matt McCabe *Clerk:* Kathryn Manchee and one parishioner and a representative from Truespeed.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr King

2 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations None.

3 Update from Truespeed on implementation of broadband and connection to Old School Truespeed is 7 sign ups away from offering the service in Englishcombe.

The chairman moved agenda item 8.2 forward.

8.2 PROW Issues Parishioners have raised the issue of horses when using one of the PROWs in the parish. After some discussion it was agreed that an electric fence would be reinstalled and that in the spring a better fence would be put in place. The parish council will clear the brambles.

4 Parishioners Matters

None.

5 Council Meeting 23 September

5.1 Approval of the 23 September Minutes Having been circulated these proposed Cllr Pow, seconded Cllr Hulm as representing an accurate record of the meeting and were therefore signed by the chair of that meeting.

5.2 Matters Arising from the 23 September Meeting None.

6 PLANNING

6.1 Results, Correspondence and Consideration

Nothing to report.

6.2 Report on the Conservation Appraisal Review This is being updated with reference to climate change. A copy of the correspondence related to this to be circulated to councillors.

7 FINANCE

7.1 Payments for Approval

Payments to Ratify Parish Council

30 September	Standing Order	Clerk's Salary July	£279.28
30 September	Standing Order	Sweeper Fee July	£225.27
31 October	Standing Order	Clerk's Salary August	£279.28
31 October	Standing Order	Sweeper Fee August	£225.27
29 September	Cheque No 952	Final PROW Clearance Payment	£150.00

Payments for Approval Parish Council

4 November	Cheque No 10	Robert Law's Expenses	£17.10
4 November	Cheque No 11	Clerks August September Expenses	£60.03
4 November	Cheque No 12	Rural Transport Grant	£200.00
4 November	Cheque No 13	Chapel Grant	£550.00
4 November	Cheque No 14	Bulbs	£25.99
4 November	Cheque No 15	Petrol for Mowing Equipment	£9.75

Payments to Ratify Millstream and Wheelrights

29 September	Cheque No 12	Vegetation Clearance	£260.00
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Proposed Cllr Pow, seconded Cllr Hulm Approved.

7.2 Financial Report including 2nd quarter forecast. The balance of funds as at 4 November is 15,912.66 and without CiL reserves £12,679.55. Millstream Wheelrights funds are £2,120.08. **Forecast Against Budget 2019 2020 2nd Quarter.** At the six months stage total receipts forecast to be up £107 at year end as compared to budget. Total Payments to be forecast up by £925 at year end compared to budget. Overall this means that the council is forecast to make a deficit of £1,169. The budget forecast a deficit of £351. A breakdown of the key variances was circulated prior to the meeting.

7.3 Consideration of Contribution to the cost of a new floor for the Wheelrights Workshop It was agreed that the first step would be to get at least two quotes for the work. A contribution from other sources could then be requested especially as this would help with a grant application for the full cost of this and other work.

7.4 Suggestions for items to be included in the budget 2020 2021

Clerk and RFO requested suggestions for inclusion in the budget by December.

8 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

8.1 Highway Issues Despite recent work road surface at bottom of Padleigh Hill still in a poor condition. Cllr McCabe to progress getting this work done. Clerk to report pot holes on Bath Road to BANES.

8.3 Amendment of Route on Definitive Map of BA11/15 Footpath

Nothing to report

8.5 Englishcombe Road/Padleigh Hill Addresses Nothing new to report.

9 Millstream and Wheelwrights Workshop and Orchard Committee Report The subcommittee has not met since the last parish council meeting.

10 Parish Newsletter and Website Next newsletter is to be published December 1 with the deadline for contributions November 18.

10.1 Website Accessibility Regulations Having received further information including the basic accessibility check the parish clerk still believes that this is a disproportionate burden on the parish council.

11 District Councillor's Report Cllr McCabe reported on HMOs.

12 Reports by Clerk/Councillors/Chairman Cllr Hancock reported that there was a 90th birthday celebration at a recent coffee morning. Bonfire night celebrations to be held at the Old School tomorrow.

Cllr Law – reported from the Rural Transport Group that the bus survey will be analysed shortly and the 179/768 service will be in operation definitely until August of next year.

13 CORRESPONDENCE None

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm. Next scheduled meeting is Monday December 9.