

**Minutes, Meeting of Bicknoller Parish Council**  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023, commencing at 7pm at the Village Hall**  
(in the format to be presented to the next meeting for approval)

**PRESENT:**

Councillors C Warren, M Andersen, M Rawle, A Harrison

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

C Morrison-Jones (Parish Clerk)

SC Cllr M Kravis

**PARISH FORUM:**

No parishioners present

Cllr M Kravis gave his report :

*M Kravis left the meeting at this point*

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from SC Cllr C Lawrence

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None

**3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

RESOLUTION: Councillors resolved to approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 as a true record, and they were signed by the Chairman

**4. MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED BY THE BELOW AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**5. COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION**

There are still two vacancies on the council to be filled by co-option.

**6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- Correspondence between a parishioner and Cllr Andersen in regard to the maintenance equipment listed on the asset register confirms that it was passed onto a councillor who has since left the Parish Council. They have been requested to return the items to the Parish Council.

**7. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

7.1. Environment (Cllr Leggetter)

No report received

7.2. Police Liaison & Neighbourhood Watch (Cllr Harrison)

There is now new warden for Church Lane

7.3. Rights of Way (Cllr Warren)

- The Greenway (the 100m from Chilcombe Cross to Halsway) – the surface is in a poor state of repair and hedge very overgrown. Cllr Warren to report to SC ROW
- The previously reported issues with the stile still haven't been repaired

7.4. Roads (Cllr Andersen)

- The vegetation overhanging A358 impeding cyclist is still an issue. SC Cllr M Kravis agreed to follow it up with Highways to see when it will be actioned
- New issue reported 681354 – repeat of 671053 (wall at bottom of Church Lane)
- Road at Woolston Moor been resurfaced

7.5. Defibrillator (Cllr Andersen)

Nothing to report

7.6. Quantock Hills & Farming (Cllr Rawle)

- The Quantock Hills are being rebranded: Quantock Hill National Landscape. It will still be an AONB and have the same protection as at present under that classification

## 8. PLANNING

- 8.1. To note the following decisions of Somerset West & Taunton Council:  
None
- 8.2. General Planning Update  
None

## 9. FINANCE

- 9.1. Income received  
None
- 9.2. Payments to authorise
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|-------------------------|---------|---|
| C Morrison-Jones        | £566.90 | Salary, expenses & reimbursements – May & June 2023 |
| Bicknoller Village Hall | £17.50  | July room hire                                      |
| HMRC                    | £3.80   | no payment necessary as BPC in credit with HMRC     |
| JPC Design              | £40.00  | Webhosting & software maintenance                   |
| Open Spaces Society     | £45.00  | Membership renewal, paid by D/D                     |
- 9.3. Location of Parish Council Assets  
Covered in Chairman's report, agenda item 6

## 10. THE BICKNOLLER INN, ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE

The Bicknoller Inn is currently listed as an asset of Community Value. This listing expires in September 2023.  
RESOLUTION: the Parish Council to apply for the pub to be re listed as an Asset of community Value for another 5 Years.

## 11. COMMUNITY FUNDED 20MPH LIMITS

Somerset County had circulated details to enable local communities to explore 20 mph limits. Anticipated costs expected to be circa £15,0000.

RESOLUTION: not a suitable proposal for Bicknoller

## 12. PC PROJECT

No ideas put forward

## 13. WOOLSTON MOOR

- 13.1. Orientation Board  
A suggestion has been made for an orientation board for Woolston Moor. Councillors decided to await a more detailed proposal before coming to a decision.
- 13.2. Cutting / maintenance plan for autumn 2023
- Cllr Harrison reported that still waiting for a weather window to carry out annual grass cut
  - Bramble cut back – proposed to be on a smaller scale than last year. Patch of brambles by Woolston cottages is growing out into moor needs to be cut back. Cllr Harrison to obtain quotes to be presented for consideration at the September meeting.

## 14. APPOINT PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR LCN MEETINGS

RESOLUTION: Cllr Rawle to be appointed the LCN representative for the Parish Council

## 15. BICKWATCH COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Nothing to report

## 16. ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

None

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.33