

BRYMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

**The Parish Office, Abbey Community Centre, The Forum, YEOVIL, BA21 3TL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 24
FEBRUARY 2021 ONLINE AT ZOOM US (7.30pm – 9.30pm)**

PRESENT:

Mr K Weston (Chairman)	Mr G Pritchard (Vice-Chairman)
Mr S Attrill	Mr P Seib
Mrs E-J Hopkins	Mr D Staddon
Mrs J Snell	Mrs D Wood
Mrs E James (Clerk)	Mrs M Attrill (Clerk)

1 Member of public

OPEN SESSION FOR BRYMPTON PARISHIONERS

No questions raised.

AGUSTA PARK – LUFTON KEY SITE

It was NOTED that no representative Persimmon Homes had accepted the invitation to attend this meeting.

Mrs Snell, Mr Pritchard and Mrs Wood joined the meeting at 7.32pm

LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION.

The Chairman gave a verbal statement, with regards to the local Government reorganisation proposal. it was NOTED that Councillors would be able to respond to the survey being carried out, in a personal capacity.

REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

A written report had been received from County Councillor Williams, which was circulated prior to the meeting.

Mr Seib gave an update on the work of the District Council.

203/20 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR

Members NOTED with regret, the resignation of Miss Darling-Finan. The vacancy for the Brympton Ward is now being advertised in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.

204/20 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF THE REASONS

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, it was RESOLVED to accept a personal apology for absence from Mr Burt, by reason of ill- health.
A personal apology was received from Mr Wood, for this meeting.

205/20 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Seib, Mr Williams and Mrs Snell declared that their interests were as registered. Mr Weston declared a personal interest as the Chair of Governors of Preston Primary school. Mr Pritchard declared his personal interest as Chair of Governors to Kingfisher Primary School. Mr Seib declared an interest as the Chair of the Abbey Community Association.

206/20 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27th January 2021

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2021, which were then signed by the Chairman.

207/20 CRIME, DISORDER and COMMUNITY SAFETY

(a) No report had been received from the police.

(b) It was NOTED that graffiti on Oak Tree Park has increased recently, and the PCSO had been advised.

Council was advised that graffiti had also been found on footpath Y3/6 and some signs on the actual footpaths had been defaced. SSC Highways had been advised.

208/20 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

(a) COMMUNICATIONS

It was NOTED that the Communications working party had met on two occasions and would meet again before the next Parish Council meeting. The working party intend to present a full report on a proposal for improved communications at the next meeting. It was AGREED to delegate the Clerk and two Councillors to run the new Facebook page for the Parish Council, the existing Facebook page will cease on the retirement of the Clerk.

(b) OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES

It was AGREED that the Clerk would email adjoining Parishes to defer meeting, until more information had been received from the Secretary of State.

(c) ANY OTHER REPORT - NONE

209/20 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr Weston advised that the allotments had been broken into. It was NOTED that the Allotments Association had consulted with the landowner and agreed further security measures to be installed by the Association.

The Meeting adjourned at 7.57pm for presentation of Mrs James leaving gift.

The meeting recommenced at 8.05pm.

210/20 PLANNING

(a) DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS – NONE

(b) APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED (UNDER STANDING ORDER 15(b)(xvi)) PRIOR TO THIS MEETING

In accordance with Standing Order no. 15(b)(xvi), the following application was considered before this meeting:

21/00270/TPO - Application to carry out Tree Surgery Works to various trees within South Somerset District Council (BRYM 116) 1997 Tree Preservation order
12 Brigadier Close, Yeovil **NO CONCERNS WERE RAISED**

21/00273/TPO - Application to carry out tree surgery works to No.01 tree included within South Somerset District Council Tree Preservation Order (BRYM 4)
8 Brigadier Close, Yeovil **NO CONCERNS WERE RAISED**

(c) PRE PLANNING CONSIDERATION

SSO16099 -Proposed 5G Telecommunications Installation for H3G UK

Proposed 20.0m Phase 8 monopole c/w wraparound cabinet at base and associated ancillary works.

Luffton Street Works- NO CONCERNS WERE RAISED

(d) APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

20/03584/REM Reserved Matters application for approval of the appearance, layout, landscaping and scale following Outline approval 20/00407/OUT for the erection of 1 No. dwelling.

Land At Malvern Court. BA21 3RX

It was AGREED to support the application, however, it was AGREED to request that the applicant be asked to plant extra trees due to the orientation of the building.

(e) PLANNING UPDATES - NONE

(f) NOMINATIONS FOR THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP TO CONSIDER FORTHCOMING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was AGREED that Mr Attrill and Mr Staddon would be members of the planning working party for the forthcoming month.

211/20 HIGHWAYS

(a) Possible planting on roundabout –It was NOTED that SSCDC still await details from SCC Highways. Mr Williams agreed to request an update on the planting for the Western Corridor site.

(b) Montacute Road

(i) SID use on Montacute Road – Further to min. no. 814 (i) 27th January 2021, Photographs were circulated prior to the meeting and members were asked to agree a suitable location to send to SCC for consideration. A site was identified and AGREED to seek permission from SSC Highways. It was also AGREED to ask SCC Highways for a price for the installation of a suitable post. It was AGREED that CIL money should be used for the provision of the post.

(ii) Grit Bins – Further to min. no. 814[ii] of 27th January 2021, SCC Highways had advised that should the Council wish to purchase a grit bin for Kestrel Way, it would require permission from Persimmon Homes as the path is not yet adopted. SCC had advise that, should permission be granted, they would endeavour to fill the bin for the PC. It was AGREED that the Clerk would write to Persimmon to seek permission. It was AGREED that the Clerk should also write to SCC Highways as concerns had been raised that Montacute Road had been excluded from the SCC gritting route, despite being a school route.

(c) TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES at Balls Hill, Old Road, Odcombe and Luffton Lane - **NOTED.**

(d) Footpath Y3/3 It was NOTED that concerns had been raised by Chilthorne Domer Parish Council regarding two issues on footpath Y3/3. These concerns had been raised with County Councillor Williams and the Rights of Way Officer. It was further NOTED that discussions are currently taking place with the landowners. It was AGREED to support the two issues raised.

212/20 CORRESPONDENCE/EMAILS

(a) Coronavirus – newsletters from both the County and District Councils had been circulated regularly.

(b) SSDC Get SUSSED emails. It was AGREED that these emails would be circulated to all Councillors on a regular basis.

213/20 CLERK'S REPORT

(a) It was NOTED that letters of thanks have been received from all recent grant recipients.

(b) In accordance with Min. no. 186/20 of 27th January 2021, an invitation had been sent to the Somerset Waste Partnership to attend the Annual Meeting of the Parish. It was NOTED that Somerset Waste Partnership were unable to assist but advised that there will be 3 opportunities, for South Somerset parish members to join virtual Recycle More briefing sessions in mid-April. Should only 3 members be able to attend the sessions, it was AGREED that Mr Attrill, Mr Weston and Mrs Hopkins would attend. The Clerk will seek for clarification and advise.

It was AGREED that an invitation to speak at the Annual Meeting would be sent to the Yeovil Freewheelers.

(c) Office equipment – IT was NOTED that a new office chair has been obtained free of charge and the new i.t. equipment would be purchased shortly.

(d) Higher Ream – following a report of graffiti on the castle at Higher Ream, it was NOTED that the Parish Ranger had been asked to remove this as a matter of urgency.

214/20 ELMLEIGH FOOTPATH

Minute 147/20 of 25th Nov 2020 stated it had been AGREED to monitor the Elmleigh footpath next year and, if the problem with wasps recurred, action could then be taken. However, in accordance with Standing Order 8 (previous resolutions) written notice has been received from 4 Councillors to reverse that decision and to re-consider the matter.

Following a verbal report, it was AGREED to write to David Wilson Homes, as landowner, advising there are serious concerns that the tree has caused damage to the railings and pillar adjacent to the tree.

215/20 LUFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Lufton Community Centre working party had met to discuss the information received from the solicitors acting for the School Trust. A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting and is attached to the minutes. It was RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the working party.

216/20 COMMUNITY AWARDS

It was RESOLVED that the Community Awards 2021 would be presented to Rev. David Keen and Mr Paul Martin for their work within the Community during the Covid-19 pandemic. It was AGREED to ask Rev David Keen if financial assistance was required for the latest community project.

217/20 OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXTRA SERVICES

Min no. 208/20(b) refers.

218/20 GRANT APPLICATIONS

NONE received. The sum of £200 remains in the budget.

219/20 PARISH RANGER SERVICE

It was RESOLVED to approve the invoice for the Parish Ranger Service for 2020-2021 in the sum of £5,000 + VAT (total £6,000.) Members NOTED that an increase would be payable next year.

220/20 FINANCE

(a) Interest - Members NOTED receipt of interest on 31ST January 2021 of £0.20p from NatWest and £3.53 from Nationwide Building Society.

(b) Bank Reconciliation Statement – It was NOTED that the bank reconciliation as of 31st January 2021 it had been APPROVED prior to the meeting.

(c) Banking Mandates IT was NOTED that Mrs James and Mr Attrill had been removed from, and Mrs Hopkins and Mr Staddon had been added to the NatWest and Nationwide mandates.

(d) Payments – it was RESOLVED to approve the following schedule of payments.

Plusnet, DD, £42.60, broadband & internet service

SLCC, Unity payment 806294421, £123.80, purchase of reference book

SSDC, Ch. No. 2484, £8,950.58 -

Provision of Ranger service, £6,000.00

Litter picking at Oak Tree Park 2020, £2316

Operational Play inspections, £211.20

Weekly play inspections, £423.38

VAT is reclaimable in the sum of £1667.76 on the SSDC payment.

Mrs E James, Ch. No. 2485, £4247.75 – gratuity plus holiday pay.

Mrs M Attrill, Unity payment 272698717, £63.32 – overtime + expenses.

Mrs E James, SO £1377.95, democratic services.

Mrs M Attrill, SO £1307.68, democratic services.

ACA, SO, £108.33 office rent.

221/20 QUESTIONS AND ITEMS ARISING AFTER THE PREPARATION OF THIS AGENDA, SUCH MATTERS ARE FOR NOTING OR DEFERRAL TO A FUTURE MEETING

Consideration of terms of reference for a working party or committee to be appointed, to consider future Council plans. The working party or Committee will be appointed at the Annual parish Council meeting to be held on 26th May 2021.

222/20 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Quarterly monitoring report

Review of systems of internal control

Report from the Internal Auditor for 2020-2021

The terms of reference for the future plans of the Council.

223/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was NOTED that the next meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 24th March 2021.

.....Chairman
24th March 2021