



# SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited the following people to address the meeting:

“Butch”

“ As has been said anybody can set up a web site ‘over the weekend’ which John your volunteer is more capable of (and his previously done) The site and provider your council has chosen is an American company (who provides web sites for company selling things). Due partly to time differences the only way to successfully contact them is by e-mail. You are paying for the company to set up the web page with info eg. pictures you supply them. The delay is the company based not John. His contact has been on holiday and nobody was instructed to replace him so everything has been on hold. I understand wanting to use a company you knew but I find these guys expensive with poor customer service skill and not local and therefore easy to contact. May I say John is unaware of me saying this.”

*A shorter version of this was originally recorded in the minutes but “Butch” has insisted that she is recorded verbatim. The reasons why her words were not fully recorded in the first instance are because some of the facts she quoted are simply not true.*

Mrs Goldie

Spoke on two matters

- (a) Remembrance Sunday and Poppy distributions. She asked the Parish Council to seriously consider taking over the distribution of Poppy Sales.
- (b) She provided a background to those present as to why South Petherton should be described as a Town and not as at present a Village

PCSO Ceara Sturt

Provided to the meeting a report on the latest crime figures for the community.

District Councillor Barry Walker

Advised the meeting that the South Somerset District Council Local Plan had been accepted and he expected it to be adopted by the District Council at its meeting in March.

County Councillor C Le-Hyde

- (a) Informed the meeting on the position of District Councillor Paul Thompson who was currently living in America. He was asked by the Chairman whether or not he was still in receipt of his Councillor allowances. A further explanation was given as to why he was living in America and that it was intention to return to the UK within weeks.
- (b) He reported that he had recently been appointed a Governor of Musgrove Hospital
- (c) Work was about to start on the re-surfacing of the A358
- (d) The Budget deliberations were about to commence.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their presentations.

The Chairman then introduced the meeting to Mr Daryl Chambers the Market Manager of Bridport Town Council and a regional representative of NABMA (National Association of British Markets Authority) who gave a very comprehensive background on how to run a village Farmer’s Market. A large number of questions were asked and answered.

**Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held at The William Blake Memorial Hall Market Square St James Street South Petherton on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015** when the following business was conducted.

**PRESENT** Councillors Mr A Dance (Chairman) together with Councillors Miss S Beaufoy and H Burrige Mesdames A Allen A Soulsby & P Worner Messrs B Chitty G Gatehouse I Greenfield B Herrick (Vice Chairman) D Lees P Ritchens N Wakely together with the Parish Clerk Mr B Poole.

In addition Miss Misha Soulsby Chairman of South Petherton Youth Council District Councillor Barry Walker County Councillor Christopher Le-Hardy and 16 members of the public.

**13.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance**

Councillors Miss L Chant and D Lees

**13.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

None

**13.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015 that had been previously circulated be taken as read and agreed as being a true and correct record subject to the under mentioned amendment and as a result thereafter approved and duly signed by the Chairman

**13.4 Past Subject Matters - For the purpose of report only**

(1) Matters raised by members of the public at the previous meeting of the council.  
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(a) Mrs Helen Beaufoy – Parish Council legal representation

*See 13.5.2*

- (2) Flower Pergola – removal
- (3) Precept 2015-16
- (4) Grant – Cricket Club

It was confirmed that these matters had been completed

(5) Manure – Allotments

It was noted that the matter had been referred to the Allotments Committee

(6) Working Party – CLT

It was noted that the working party had been set up.

**13.4 Resolutions**

**(1) To resolve to hold a Street Market every Thursday in the village**

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**(2) To give consideration to the Parish Council employing legal expertise in order to engender a robust defence against any further large scale development in the village.**

It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party had made direct contact with Mrs Helen Beaufoy to explain what restrictions there were to endeavour to enforce no further large planning developments within the community

## 13.5 Finance & Personnel Report

(1) To approve the following items of expenditure for the month		£	£
(168) Mr B Herrick	Stationery Expenses – Planning	25.00	
(169) RBS Rialtas	Alpha Software Maintenance 2015	109.00	21.80
(170) MicroshadeVSM	Monthly Hosting Fee	43.00	8.60
(171) Mike Roberts	Tree Work – Cemetery	400.00	
(172) Intouchcrm	E-Mail Support	19.50	3.90
(173) Nat West	Bank Charges 01/11/14 to 28/11/14	16.60	
(174) Viridor	EuroBin Hire	34.44	6.88
	Adhoc Charges	10.00	2.00
(175) B Reyland	Christmas Trees	30.00	
(176) S/S Peter & Paul	Church Hire	30.00	
(177) Mr P Wall	Erecting & Removal of Christmas Trees	255.00	
(178) Apple Store	IPad & Accessories	507.34	85.66
(179) Amazon	Case	14.89	6.89
(180) Reach	Youth Work – January 2015	1821.00	364.20
(181) RBS Rialtas	Travel Expenses – Allotments Programme	65.25	13.05
(182) SLCC	Silent Auction – RBS Allotment Software	345.00	
(183) Landscapes	Grounds Maintenance – Allotments	3564.00	712.80
(184) Mr B Poole	Salary & Expenses – January	2740.66	
(185) Mr B Poole	Broadband & Mobile	30.99	6.29
(186) Mr B Chitty	Expenses	54.09	
(187) Mr K Harris	Litter Picking & Notice Boards	361.50	
(188) Knight Electrical	Christmas Lights Erection	374.40	74.88

**Resolved** that the Accounts as presented be paid

## 13.7 Planning Report

- (1) To receive the draft minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and to note the decisions thereto :-

### **Received**

## 13.8 Open Spaces Committee Report

- (a) Allotments NW

It was noted that agreed works had now been completed

- (b) Cemetery SB

It was reported that another tree had fallen in recent storms part of which was over the A303 and had been remedially attended extremely quickly by Mike Roberts

- (c) Footpaths & Bridle Ways IG

Nothing tangible to report

- (d) Roads & Transport BC

It was reported yet again the cleansing of the gullies remained an outstanding matter

- (e) Recreation Ground - SPRUG AS

It was noted that almost all of the rents had now been paid.

- (f) Play Area PW

Discussion were currently being held with South Somerset District Council in the preparation of a Management Plan for the Play Area before any further Section 106 Monies could be drawn down.

(g)	TA13  Current issue due to be published	GG
(h)	Website  See commencement of the meeting at the statement by “Butch”	BP
(i)	SPIB  Nothing to report	BH
(j)	Blake Hall  An update was given to the meeting in respect to anticipated installation of a telephone line and broadband.	AS
(k)	SPRINC  It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled for March	SB
(l)	CLT  See 13.4.6	BC

### 13.9

#### Reports

- (1) SALC
- (2) Councillors
- (3) Chairman

It was agreed that Councillor H Burridge would commence investigations into providing CCTV for the centre of the village

- (4) The Clerk

He advised the meeting that the allotment records had recently been computerised and that the following subject matters – Bollards at St Michaels – Village Ranger – The old Doctor’s site Car Park would be considered at the planned Open Spaces Committee in March. Finally he reminded members of the process involved with the formal Parish Council elections.

### 13.10

#### Correspondence

(1)	SSDC	BACS Payment - £500.00	BP
(2)	NALC	DISExtra – Issue 850 09/01/15	E
(3)	SSDC	Play Area & Youth Facility Inspection Report	E
(4)	SSDC	Service Level Agreement - LIC - 2014-15	BP
(5)	SPPC NP	Paper No 1 – Residents	C
(6)	NHS England	Proposed Controlled Locality Determination	C
(7)	SSDC	Road Naming – South Petherton	C

#### Additional correspondence received after the circulation of the agenda

(8)	Energy Analysis	Rural Community Energy Fund	C
(9)	SSDC	Rural Lettings Policy	E
(10)	Came & Company	Questions - Population Figures and Property Ownership	BP
(11)	NALC	DISExtra – Issue 851 – 23/01/15	E
(12)	SLL	Grounds Maintenance Quotation 2015-16	BP
(13)	Sage	New Arrangements – Sage 50 Accounts	BP
(14)	Mr D Laws MP	Copy Letter to Mr P Flaherty CEO SCC	C
(15)	BIBS	Return of the Passbook – Interest	BP
(16)	HMRC	Appeal against penalty for late filing	BP

**13.11 Other Business referred to the Clerk**

None

**13.12 Date of next Meeting – Full Council and Planning Committee Meeting Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015**