



SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Public Session

Mrs Naish

Spoke regarding the removed fingerpost, the parking and wheelie bins obstructing the corner of Palmer Street and Compton Road.

Miss S Beaufoy

Spoke regarding the item 58.7 (a) (211) on the agenda, gave an update on SPRINC and spoke in support of the Community Woodland proposals.

Mrs F Astall

Spoke to give some observations on the Precept.

Mr P Kidner

Spoke to give an update on the Library Working Group and the current areas that are being looked at. Mr Kidner also gave an update on footpaths.

Finn Hodson-Wright

Gave an update on the Community Woodland and its work, and also a presentation to support resolution 3, on the agenda in 58.6.

Cllr Adam Dance – Somerset County Council report

- Update on the Hospital Footpath
- Gritting – talks ongoing to ensure that the hospital and approach to this would be gritted in the event of any more icy or snowy weather.

The Chair thanked all contributors.

The Minutes

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held at The William Blake Memorial Hall, Market Square, South Petherton on Monday 4th February 2019 when the following business was conducted.

PRESENT Councillors A Dance (Chair) D Hodson-Wright, D Williams, N Wakely, B Apps, C Salway, A Allen, T New, S Spiers, Claire Bragg together with the Parish Clerk Mrs K Alford.

Some 19 members of the public were also in attendance.

58.1 To receive any apologies for non-attendance

Cllrs C Raikes, B Chitty & C Hockey

58.2 To receive and declarations of interest

None

58.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held on Monday 7th January 2019.

58.4 Past Subject Matters for the purpose of report only

- (1) **Update on last meetings actions.**
- (2) **Posts & Bollards** – Meeting taken place between Persimmon, SCC & SPPC at site, and this is now being progressed.
- (3) **Scouts Grant / Invitation** – Grant received by the Scouts & they have forwarded thanks to the Council.
- (4) **Cemetery Trees** – Quotes being collected and should be a resolution next month to take forward.

58.5 Chair's Announcements

The Chair spoke regarding

- Awards for the Parish
- Hospital Footpath – and action to be taken if no response this month
- Volunteer Events - to encourage volunteers within the parish as there is an ever increasing need.

58.6 Resolutions

- (1) **To resolve to agree to a Precept for the Financial Year 2019/2020.**
Resolved to agree a Precept request of £170,000 for South Petherton Parish Council for the Financial Year 2019/2020. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
- (2) **To resolve to contribute £300.00 towards The William Blake Hall in respect of the Christmas Lights 2018.**
Resolved to contribute £300.00 to the William Blake Hall. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
- (3) **To discuss the proposals presented to the Parish Council with regards to the South Petherton Community Woodland.**
Welcomed the proposals presented and proposed to accept them. Concerns to ensure that the council's insurance was suitable to cover workers &/or volunteers was sufficient. It was also suggested that a link Councillor be connected to the project – Cllr Wakely accepted this. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
- (4) **To resolve to confirm the appoint Mrs R Swift as Assistant Clerk to a permanent position & issue a new contract on the existing terms at the end of the initial 6 month period (this being 29th March 2018).**
Resolved to appoint Mrs R Swift to the position of Assistant Clerk to a permanent position following the end of the initial 6 month period. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
- (5) **To resolve to agree to relay the Church path leading from the black gates to the door of the church from one of the 3 quotes:**
Quote 1: £3735 plus VAT
Quote 2: £6631 plus VAT
Quote 3: £4500 incl VAT
Resolved to accept Quote 1 to carry out the work scheduled. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
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- (6) **To resolve to agree to the Open Spaces Committee recommendation in September 2018, deferred by SPPC to this month, to purchase a ride on Mower at a cost of £6300 for the use of the Cricket Club – full operating agreement to be signed by Parish Council and Clubs prior to purchase.**
Resolved not to purchase of a ride on Mower due to changes of circumstances since the initial recommendation by the Open Spaces Committee. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.
- (7) **To resolve to replace the existing windows and doors with replacement UPVc at the Youth Club/Youth provision building from one of the following 3 quotes:**
Quote 1: £5755 incl VAT
Quote 2: £4980 incl VAT
Quote 3: £8836.90 incl VAT
Resolved to accept Quote2 to carry out the work scheduled. Proposed and seconded, all in favour.

58.7 Finance & General Purpose Report

(a) To note the following items of expenditure & agree payment:

			£	£
(205)	SSSDC	Ranger Oct & Nov 2018	1198.80	239.76
(206)	SSDC	Ranger Dec 2018	399.60	79.92
(207)	BT	Parish Office Landline	95.50	11.10
(208)	Mr C Salway	Refreshments for volunteers	12.50	
(209)	AC Developments	Drain unblocking – Youth Club	168.00	33.60
(210)	H R Hodge	Parish Office telephone	40.83	8.17
(211)	Humpries Kirk	Legal fees – 4 St James St	1450.00	290.00
(212)	Microshade	IT support fees	96.90	19.38
(213)	Reach Youth Uk	Youth Provision Jan 2019	1821.00	364.20
(214)	Flying Colours	Letters to Parish re Co-op	51.00	10.20
(215)	InTouch CRM	Email/web hosting	134.50	26.90
(216)	CCS	Village Agent – 4 th qtr	2564.25	
(217)	HMRC	PAYE – January 2019	529.08	
(218)	Clerks Salaries	January 2019	2150.45	
(219)	SLCC	Clerks membership 2019	236.00	
(220)	Knights Electrical	Christmas Lights 2018	724.16	144.83
(221)	Barnstore	Parish Storage – Feb 2019	117.50	23.50
(222)	Bridget Bowen	Interim Internal Audit	275.00	
(223)	SP Scout Group	Grant – January 2019	1000.00	
Total			13065.07	1251.56

To note the following items of expenditure received after the distribution of the Agenda:

(224)	Heather McMillan	Parish Link Worker – Jan 2019	396.00	
(225)	Mr K Harris	Parish Maintenance – Jan 2019	565.50	
(226)	Somerset Landscapes	Grass Cutting – January 2019	960.50	192.10

58.8 Planning Committee Report

(a) To receive the minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 7th January 2019, and to note the decisions.

Received and noted.

58.9 To receive any additional information on the following:-

(a)	Allotments	NW
(b)	Cemetery	KA
(c)	Footpaths & Bridle Ways	PK
(d)	Roads & Transport	CR
(e)	Recreation Ground	DW
(f)	Play Area	TN
(g)	TA13	BC
(h)	Website	TN
(i)	SPIB – Planter at the side of the vets to be planted, some issues with drainage in this area.	DHW
(j)	Blake Hall	AA/CH
(k)	SPRINC	KA
(l)	CLT	BC
(m)	Youth Council	AD
(n)	Youth Management	DP
(o)	LIC	DW
(p)	Mere Lynches Charity	CH

58.9 Reports

- (1) SALC
- (2) Councillors
 - Update on St James Street parking had been received by SCC, will be sent through to councillors.
 - Concerns over Royal Mail vans being parked long term in the timed bays outside the Post Office.
- (3) Chairman
- (4) The Clerk
 - Reminder of Defibrillator training in Over Stratton.
- (5) Parish Link Worker & Village Agent reports have been circulated.

58.10 Other Business referred to the Clerk

58.11 Dates of next Meetings – Monday 4th March 2019