



SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Public Session

Mr K Hopkins spoke to ask for an update on the bus services

Mrs A Clifford asked for an update on the Post Office

Cllr A Dance – County Councillor report given.

Cllr Roundell-Green – County Councillor update given.

Cllr C Raikes gave his apologies for the District Council

The Minutes

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held at The Blake Hall on Monday 7th November 2022 when the following business was conducted.

PRESENT Councillors A Dance (Chair), B Swainson, K Jones, L Baker, N Wakely, A Dexter, B Chitty, C Bragg, S Spiers, S Carp along with the Clerk Mrs K Alford.
6 members of the public were also in attendance.

12.1 To receive and agree any apologies for non-attendance

Cllrs Elliott, New, Hodson-Wright

12.2 To receive any declarations of interest

Cllr Dance in his capacity of County & District Councillor

12.3 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council from 3rd October 2022.

Minutes received and approved.

12.4 Clerk Resolution updates

- Remembrance Service
- SPIB baskets watering system
- Christmas Lights switch on -
- Church steps and railings – Heritage department chased 7/11
- Co-option/Casual vacancy – interest received
- Grass tender
- Minibus report received and to be circulated

12.5 Chairman's Announcements.

12.6 Reports

- (a) Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC)
- (b) Councillors – **query regarding Avian Flu.**
- (c) Village Agent – **Starting date 21st November.**
- (d) Reach Youth
- (e) Avon & Somerset PCSO – **Clerks have met with PCSO/are meeting shortly with new Sergeant**
- (f) Somerset Patient Participation Group (PPG) – **details of next meeting requested**
- (g) Community Plan Group – **update from Paul Smith**

12.6 Resolutions

- (1) **To resolve to agree the tender for the Skate Park & agree for the Skate Park Working Group to send out to prospective companies.**
Resolved to agree the tender.
- (2) **To resolve to agree and adopt the NALC Civility & Respect pledge for South Petherton**

Parish Council.

Resolved to agree and adopt the pledge for South Petherton Parish Council.

- (3) To resolve to give South Petherton Youth Parish Council permission to tidy & clean the War Graves in South Petherton Cemetery (under supervision of Martock & District Royal British Legion).**

Resolved to agree for the Youth Parish Council to clean the War Graves in South Petherton Cemetery.

- (4) To resolve to agree the Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2022/23 & to backdate this to 1st April 2022.**

Resolved to agree and implement 2022/23 Pay Agreement.

12.7 Finance & General Purposes Committee

- a) To note the items of expenditure and approve payments for October 2022.
Noted and approved.
- b) To note items for the forthcoming budget setting for 2023/24
Noted & budget discussion for councillors to be arranged in December.

12.8 Planning Committee

To receive & note the minutes of the Planning Committee decisions made on 3rd October 2022
Received and noted.

12.9 To receive any additional information (if any) on the following:

- (a) Allotments and Whitfield Lane – Cllr Jones & Cllr Chitty – new allotments coming along well, waiting list growing.
- (b) Cemetery – Cllr Wakely
- (c) Footpaths and Bridleways – PPLOs Nigel Kinsman & Cllr Wakely
- (d) TWIG – Cllr Jones & Cllr Hodson-Wright – Whitfield Meadow is growing well and more hedge planting will be happening soon.
- (e) Roads & Transport – Cllr Chitty – blocked drains & road sweeping to be reported
- (f) Recreation Ground/SPRUG – Cllr New, Cllr Swainson & Cllr Carp – no SPRUG meeting arranged yet, Bowls Club grass repairs all finished.
- (g) TA13 – Cllr Spiers
- (h) South Petherton in Bloom (SPIB)
- (i) Blake Hall – Cllr Carp – new website in progress, BH Committee helping with powering Christmas Lights and Clerks met recently with the Sports & Social club regarding public toilets.
- (j) South Petherton Relief in Need Charity (SPRINC) – Cllr Baker
- (k) Community Land Trust (CLT) – Cllr Chitty
- (l) Library / LIC / Community Hub – Cllr Elliott – LIC meeting held this week with SSDC, councillors to put names forward for library surgeries.
- (m) Mere Lynches – Cllr Jones
- (n) Youth – Cllr New, Cllr Baker & Cllr Hodson-Wright – discussion around youth club building.
- (o) MTIG – Cllr Chitty, Cllr Spiers & Cllr Swainson

12.10 Other business referred to the Clerk

12.11 Date of next meeting – 5th December 2022