



SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Public Session

Mr P May spoke with regards to resolution 1.8(3)

Cllr A Dance – County Councillor report given, apologise from Cllr Roundell-Green
Cllr C Raikes – District Councillor apologies given.

The Minutes

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council held at The David Hall on Monday 9th January 2023 when the following business was conducted.

PRESENT Councillors A Dance (Chair), S Carp, N Wakely, C Bragg, R Brown, A Dexter, D Hodson-Wright, B Chitty, K Jones, L Baker, S Spiers, B Elliott & D Steel along with the Clerk Mrs K Alford.
10 members of the public were also in attendance.

1.1 To receive and agree any apologies for non attendance

Cllrs B Swainson & T New

1.2 To receive any declarations of interest

None

1.3 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council from 5th December 2022.

Received and approved

1.4 Community Plan update – Working Group

Update given from Cllr Elliott – survey now completed and public consultation will be held on Weds 15th March 2023.

1.5 Clerk Resolution updates

No queries.

1.6 Chairman's Announcements.

None

1.7 Reports

- (a) Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC) – Current training dates available for cllrs to book in on.
- (b) Councillors – Cllrs to agree to attend Library surgeries – next date 25th Jan – Cllr Dexter attending.
- (c) Village Agent – update given by Clerk.
- (d) Reach Youth
- (e) Avon & Somerset PCSO – update given by Clerks following meeting with the new Sergeant before Christmas.
- (f) Somerset Patient Participation Group (PPG) – update by Cllr Dance. Clerks have been trying to make contact with the new Practice Manager.

1.8 Resolutions

- (1) To resolve to increase the payment to the Sports & Social Club to £1,600 per annum for the management of the public toilets within the William Blake Memorial Hall.**

Resolved to the increase on condition that the side door to the toilets remains clearly open during the agreed hours.

Proposed Cllr Hodson-Wright, seconded Cllr Bragg, all in favour.

- (2) To resolve to appoint a contractor for the grass maintenance contract for the Parish, in line with the written tender, for the next 3 years from the tenders received below:**

(All figures are reported on a net basis)

Company	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	3 Year Total
Company 1	£20,675	£20,930	£20,930	£62,535
Company 2	£24,404	£26,778	£29,456	£80,638
Company 3	£23,764	£23,764	£23,764	£71,292
Company 4	£14,435	£14,940	£15,464	£44,840

Resolved to award the contract to company 4.

Proposed Cllr Wakely, seconded Cllr Carp – majority agree

(3) To resolve to agree the proposals for further youth funding from ALS Youth for:

a) January – March 2023

Resolved to agree to grant ALS Youth £1,769 for Jan-March 2023
Proposed Cllr Hodson-Wright, seconded Cllr Dexter, all in favour.

b) April 2023 – March 2024

Resolved to defer to obtain further information on the request
Proposed Cllr Dance, seconded Cllr Hodson-Wright, all in favour.

9.30pm - Council agreed to continue with meeting.

Proposed Cllr Dance, seconded Cllr Hodson-Wright, all in favour

(4) To resolve to agree the draft budget for 2023/24

Resolved to agree the draft budget for 2023/24
Proposed Cllr Hodson-Wright, seconded Cllr Bragg.

(5) To resolve to agree a precept request for 2023/24

Resolved to agree a precept request of £241,500 for 2023/24
Proposed Cllr Jones, seconded Cllr Wakely.

1.9 Finance & General Purposes Committee

- a) To receive and note the minutes of the Finance & General Purpose Committee – 5th September 2022

Received and noted.

- b) To agree and note the items of expenditure and approve payments for December 2022.

Payments agreed and noted.

1.10 Planning Committee

To receive & note the minutes of the Planning Committee decisions made on 5th December 2022

Received and noted.

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

- (a) Allotments and Whitfield Lane – Cllr Jones & Cllr Chitty
- (b) Cemetery – Cllr Wakely
- (c) Footpaths and Bridleways – PPOs Nigel Kinsman & Cllr Wakely
- (d) TWIG – Cllr Jones & Cllr Hodson-Wright
- (e) Roads & Transport – Cllr Chitty
- (f) Recreation Ground/SPRUG – Cllr New, Cllr Swainson & Cllr Carp
- (g) TA13 – Cllr Spiers
- (h) South Petherton in Bloom (SPIB)
- (i) Blake Hall – Cllr Carp – Blake Hall Committee meeting to be held 17th January 2023**
- (j) South Petherton Relief in Need Charity (SPRINC) – Cllr Baker
- (k) Community Land Trust (CLT) – Cllr Chitty
- (l) Library / LIC / Community Hub – Cllr Elliott
- (m) Mere Lynches – Cllr Jones
- (n) Youth – Cllr New, Cllr Baker & Cllr Hodson-Wright
- (o) MTIG – Cllr Chitty, Cllr Spiers & Cllr Swainson

1.12 Other business referred to the Clerk

- Councillors requested to attend a discussion with the Scouts.
- South Petherton Community Shed sent thanks for the new bench installed at the Cemetery Chapels
- Thanks received by members of the public with regards to the Christmas Lights and these are passed on to all volunteers and the council.

1.13 Date of next meeting – 6th February 2023 at the William Blake Memorial Hall