

Misterton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st January 2020 At 6.30pm, WI Hall, Misterton

Present:

CLlr Iain Rowland (Chair) CLlr Geoff Restorick CLlr Brian McNeill
CLlr Abbie Rousell CLlr L Bacigalupo
CLlr Graham White CLlr Andrew Callow

In attendance

Mrs K Sheehan (Clerk), 4 members of the public.

20/001. Public Open Session

Members of the public present raised the following issues:

- Rises to parking charges in Crewkerne were queried, particularly as the machines are old and do not give change. Queries raised over how the additional profit will be used by the District Council – Clerk to write to SSDC;
- Poor parking at junction of Knowle Lane preventing large vehicles getting through;
- Possible reinstatement of barriers at foot of Tunnel Steps;
- HGVS fracturing gas pipes under pavements;
- Possibility of re-routing HGVS from village with access only arrangements.

Clerk was asked to raise highways/parking issues at a pre-planned meeting with Highways.

20/002. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from CLlr Rowe (appointment), CLlr Gillard (unwell) as well as from SCC and SSDC CLlrs Mike Best and Robin Pailthorpe.

20/003. Code of Conduct and Declarations of Interests

None.

20/004. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2019

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and duly signed.

Proposed: CLlr Rowland Seconded: CLlr Restorick RESOLVED

20/005. Matters Arising from Minutes

None raised.

20/006. Reports

a. Report from County Councillor & District Councillor

None.

b. Report from Chairman of the Parish Council

CLlr Rowland reported that:

- The upcoming quiz night on 31st January would raise money towards the new defibrillator
- After complaints were received about the leaking mailbox CLlr Callow agreed to price up a replacement.
- c. Report from Misterton Recreation Field Trust**
 - Moss an ongoing problem;
 - CCTV order had been placed following a successful funding application.

20/007. Planning including applications currently in circulation/determinations

a. 19/03277/FUL Land at Bullring Farm, Knowle Lane

Councillors has considered this application and had no objections in principle but would like to see a stipulation included in any permission granted that the carport/workshop cannot be converted into

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a dwelling in the future. The Councillors also asked that consideration is given to ensuring the soakaway is adequate for the planned roof size.

Action: Clerk to submit comments to Planning.

b. 19/039091/LBC – Crewkerne Station

Councillors noted that their agreed response of ‘no objections’ to this application had been submitted to the District Council.

20/008. Highways

a. To receive a report from the Parking Working Group (PWG)

After some discussion it was decided that the best way forward would be for the PWG to meet Highways to run through list of proposals, and put forward the possibilities to the village again for consultation. Other issues to be raised with Highways included trimming of the holly hedge on Middle Street, pedestrian barriers opposite Knowle Lane.

Actions: Clerk to arrange day time meeting with PWG and Highways. PWG still to obtain a street map to support the report for Highways, further village consultation then to be arranged.

b. To note correspondence with Highways regarding village gully clearance

The Clerk confirmed she had written to Highways to get Henley Road gullies added to schedule for next year. It was noted that leaves falling needed sweeping first as they were simply washing straight into the gullies and blocking them. Other issues included the stuck storm drain outside the Globe and drainage issues on the Middle street/Station Road bend. Clerk would raise all issues with Highways.

c. To consider future works for the Parish Ranger

Moss and weeds on pavements in Packers Way.

20/009. Amenities

a. To receive the cemetery inspection report

Noted. Clerk was due to meet Highways on site the following week regarding proposed access changes.

20/010. Finance and Procedure

a. To agree invoices for payment and to note regular payments

<u>Voucher</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>VAT</u>		<u>Total Payment incl VAT</u>
188	Vodafone (December)	Parish telephone	£	-	£ 21.27
189	Humphries Kirk LLP	Indemnity Insurance	£	-	£ 50.00
190	Cox & Co	Payroll services	£	3.50	£ 21.00
191	Misterton WI Hall	Room hire	£	-	£ 15.58
192	Vodafone (January)	Parish telephone	£	-	£ 22.00
193	SLCC	Membership	£	-	£ 161.00
194	MRGT	Transfer of Mark One money	£	-	£ 150.00
195	Staffing	Salary/ies	£	-	£ 581.10
		Mileage	£	-	£ 4.50
		Office costs/expenses	£	-	£ 7.84
196	K M Dike	Cemetery Maintenance	£	42.50	£ 255.00
		Total VAT	£	46.00	
		TOTAL			£ 1,289.29

Proposed: Cllr Rowland

Seconded: Cllr Restorick

RESOLVED for payment

b. To note payments received – noted

c. To note bank reconciliation – noted

d. To consider the Budget and set the Precept for 2020/21

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Members considered the two draft budgets circulated prior to the meeting. A proposal was received to set the precept at £22,832, an overall increase of £500, which would be an increase of 2.8% or £1.56 per year per band D household.

Proposed: Cllr White

Seconded: Cllr Callow

RESOLVED

- e. **To consider a grant request from Friends of Crewkerne Station re 160th anniversary events**

£160 towards anniversary events agreed once further details of event provided.

Proposed: Cllr Rousell

Seconded: Cllr Bacigalupo

RESOLVED

20/011. Items for the next meeting

To be advised to the Clerk seven days in advance of the meeting.

20/012. Date and location of next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for Tuesday 18th February 2020, 6.30pm, WI Hall.