

BEERCROCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of Beercrocombe Parish Council held at Beercrocombe & Curry Mallet Village Hall on Monday 16th March 2020

2023 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors: Mr. P. Dibble, Mr. G Harvey, Mr. A. Plumbly, Mr. M Rastrick, Mrs. M Ramsbotham and Ms. J Wright

Public: Cllr C Paul (SCC)

Apologies: Mr. B Burrough, Cllr M Cavill (SSDC)

2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

2025 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 20th January 2020 were approved and signed.

2026 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Action taken re dog fouling (min 2016)

The Clerk had been in contact with the dog warden who will place posters around the Parish. Any instances of dog fouling can be reported to SSDC via their website and action will be taken to remove it.

Renewal of road markings (min 2016)

The renewal of the junction and SLOW markings has been added to the Highways maintenance programme and the refurbishment works should be undertaken in the Spring.

Update on 'A council plan for the future' (min 2020)

To date there has been little response from parishioners. The Parish Plan was discussed and the Clerk will contact Curry Mallet PC to see if they have any plans to update it.

One area of concern raised by a parishioner was the speed that tractors travelled through the Parish and the damage that these caused to the verges and road. The Chairman will speak to local farmers.

2027 PARISHIONERS' FORUM

No items were raised.

2028 MATTERS OF REPORT

a) Footpaths

Many of the footpaths are currently waterlogged. The gate post on the footpath near the Church is broken. A parishioner has indicated that he is prepared to repair this. The chairman also reported that Martin Cooper head of SCC footpath volunteers had said he had programmed in the work to be done in April subject to weather conditions.

b) Highway matters

Following concerns raised regarding the condition of the local roads, the Chairman has spoken to Derek Davies, the Highways Superintendent for the area and requested a detailed inspection with a view to resurfacing the roads. It has been confirmed that many of the Parish roads are due for surface dressing in the forthcoming financial year and that extensive patching will taken place before this. Various roads have now been marked for repair.

A local farmer has unblocked the culvert in Broadmead and made inroads into the verges to assist with drainage of surface water. Council members expressed their thanks.

c) Planning

No new planning applications have been received.

2029 PARISH PLAN LIAISON OFFICER – TO CONFIRM APPOINTMENT

The Rights of Way team has contacted the Clerk requesting details of the recorded Parish Plan Liaison Officer (PPLO). Whilst Mr Harvey is the point of contact for footpaths, he is not officially recorded as a PPLO. The Clerk will advise the Rights of Way team of the situation.

2030 FORMAL EXPENDITURE APPROVAL

It was **resolved** to make the following payments:

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| a. Clerk's salary | £ 96.66 |
| b. Curry Mallet PC | £141.12 |
| (Beer & Curry Printing costs) | |

2031 CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS OF REPORT FOR INFORMATION

- **Visit of Morris Men – June 2nd**

The Annual Social event will take place on June 2nd at 7pm prior to the visit by the Morris Men at 8pm A BBQ is planned and it is expected that the event will be self-financing.

- **Climate Emergency Project Funding**

Cllr Paul advised that £1m had been set aside for Climate Change projects and that Parish Councils would be given the opportunity to bid for funds to assist with local projects.

2032 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Monday **18th May 2020.** at 7.30pm.
The meeting closed at 8.35pm