



West Monkton Parish Council

ADOPTED

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 24th June 2019 at 7.00pm in the BACH (Brittons Ash Community Hall), Bathpool.

Present: Cllrs Cavill, Gage, Hall, Haskins, Hope, Kelly and Tully.

In attendance: Mrs A Shepherd, Clerk and Mrs T Cavill, Assistant Clerk.

097/19 To receive any apologies (with reasons)

Apologies were received from Cllr Ellis.

098/19 To consider a resolution to purchase a horticultural tractor and associated requirements

Cllr Hall provided an update on the Country Park and shared and provided a summary of the latest versions of the plans prepared by Reed and Hollard.

It was agreed that copies of the agendas for both West Monkton Parish Council Planning Committee meetings and Parish Council meetings would be shared with Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish Council going forward to provide the opportunity for Parish Councillors of Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish Council the opportunity to attend and take part in the updates / discussions surrounding the Country Park.

It was noted that the Tripartite Agreement is still awaited from SW+T Council. The Leader of SW+T Council has requested a presentation on the Country Park, this would form part of a member briefing for all SW+T Council District Councillors. The CEO James Hassett appears to be very supportive.

The requirements for machinery at the Country Park and the level of expenditure required to purchase a horticultural tractor and associated equipment were discussed. The cost of hiring these services as an alternative were also discussed. (Possibly local farmer with topper).

It was felt that a horticultural tractor may be more than is required at the present time, and it was agreed to explore the cost of purchasing a ride-on mulching lawnmower and possibly trimmers which would be suitable for use at the Country Park, it was noted that this could also be used in the future for cutting grass verges / managing other open spaces across the Parish. Secure storage would be needed.

It was also agreed that a meeting would be requested with representatives of SW+T Council / the Depot to understand the capacity available for work in the Country Park and grass cutting more generally in the Parish. The Depot has agreed to remove the two dead ash trees from alongside Allens Brook in about 2 month's time. It was noted that the Lengthsman has extra hours available.

MH1 completion and ongoing management was also discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk would request a meeting with Kate Payne and Robert Hart from Persimmon and Redrow representatives to discuss progress on the completion of MH1, the ongoing ownership and management of public open spaces in MH1 and the shop units in MH1.

099/19 Dates of forthcoming meetings: all meetings take place in the BACH committee room

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Second Tuesday in the month

2019: 9th July, 13th August, 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December.

Planning Committee

First Tuesday in the month

2019: 2nd July, 6th August, 3rd September, 1st October, 5th November, 3rd December.

Parish Surgery

Second Thursday in the month at 8.30am – DROP-IN

Neighbourhood Plan Delivery Group

Country Park Tripartite Committee

Annual Parish Meeting 25th March 2020 at 7pm at the BACH

BACH Committee: 18th July 2019 at 7pm at the BACH

Budget and Precept working party will meet in November 2019.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed Chairman.....

Date.....

Adopted