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3rd January, 2020

PLEASE NOTE DATE, TIME, VENUE

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to attend an extraordinary meeting of the Street

Parish Council which will be held in the REAR CHURCH HALL, UNITED

REFORMED CHURCH, accessed from Back Lane, Street on THURSDAY 9th

JANUARY, 2020 at 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of transacting the business

specified in the following agenda.

In accordance with standing orders 7 c and d, a member with a

disclosable pecuniary interest must leave the room during the relevant

item of business, unless permitted to remain following the grant of a

dispensation. Councillors with an interest in relation to any item of

business being transacted at a meeting under Appendix B (Other

Interests) or where a matter relates to a financial interest of a friend,

relative or close associate, may (i) make representations, (ii) answer

questions and (iii) give evidence relating to the business being

transacted but must thereafter leave the room, unless permitted

to remain following the grant of a dispensation. At a convenient time

the Chairman will also give this opportunity to any members of the

public wishing to speak on any matter being transacted.

Yours faithfully,

L.A. Ruff, Clerk of the Council

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – acceptance of any reasons offered

2. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th December, 2019 (attached).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

4. APPLICATION NO. 2019/2946/OTS – OUTLINE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF

UP TO 280 DWELLINGS, VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS,

SUSTAINABLE URBAN DRAINAGE, OPEN SPACE, LANDSCAPING AND

ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE. ALL MATTERS EXCEPT ACCESS ARE

RESERVED. LAND AT 348795 135704 SOMERTON ROAD, STREET FOR

THE NINESQUARE TRUST – OUTLINE – SOME MATTERS RESERVED

To consider the outline application and make recommendations for

submission to Mendip District Council. The plans and documents can be

viewed at the Council office and can be found on Mendip District Council’s

website at <https://publicaccess.mendip.gov.uk/online-applications/> and then

enter the application no. above.

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To: Chairman and Members of Street Parish Council

STREET PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Council held on 10th December, 2019 at 7.15 pm

PRESENT: Councillor P. Goater (Chair of Council)

Councillors: C.E. Axten, P. Birch, S. Carswell, J. Diment, D. Drew, D. Goater, A. Leafe,

L. Mogg and H. Shearer

IN ATTENDANCE: L. Ruff – Clerk

PC M. Pople – Street Beat Team

APOLOGIES: Councillors: R. Boyce, M. Daniells,

T.W.E. Napper, A. Prior and L. Zaky – another

engagement – reasons accepted

146. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th November, 2019 which had been circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

147. COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER

PC Pople reported that the next PACT meeting would be on 22nd

January 2020. Volunteers would be needed to start up the Parish

Warden scheme again. It was agreed to circulate the telephone

number for Crime Stoppers to members and put this on the website

to encourage anyone seeing any suspicious behaviour to report it

anonymously. The Street police station was open again and members

were welcome to visit it. It was agreed to ask the Civil Parking

Enforcement Manager to monitor parking on double yellow lines in the

morning outside of the College and Crispin School.

148. MATTERS ARISING

It was agreed that in the New Year the Chair would write a letter asking

local retailers how the weekly market had affected them and if they

were willing to be involved in setting up a Chamber of Commerce for

Street. Councillor Axten would deliver the letter to the local shops.

It was noted that Councillor Boyce was unable to marshall at the

Christmas Cracker event and that no additional members had offered

to assist. Councillor Axten stated that there should be just about

sufficient marshalls for the event. It was noted that the Men’s Shed

were organising the painting of the fingerposts and that this would be

kept on the agenda until the work was completed. It was agreed to

invite the Family Counselling Trust to attend a meeting of the Council to

explain how the grant given of £2,000 would be used to provide a

service for the vulnerable in Street.

149. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

In accordance with the Code of Conduct Councillors Carswell, P. Goater and Shearer declared an other interest under Appendix B in any matters relating to the District Council and stated that they would keep an open mind when considering issues at either District or Parish level.

All members present declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the alteration of the Parish Rooms for Council and library use and that they had been granted dispensation to speak and vote by the Clerk and would keep an open mind when considering the matter. Councillor Axten declared that she was Chairman of the Friends of Street Library and Councillor Drew that she was a Friend of the Library.

150. PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting on 19th November, 2019 were submitted and circulated.

RESOLVED

that the report be noted and an extraordinary meeting of the Council be

held at 6.30 p.m. on 9th January to consider the outline application for

development of land off Somerton Road by the Nine Square Trust – a link to the plans to be sent to members so that they could view them prior to the meeting.

151. CHAIR’S REPORT

The Vice-Chair had attended a presentation evening for the Sea

Cadets and had been very impressed by the organisation.

152. PARISH PATH LIAISON OFFICER

A letter of thanks had been sent to the PPLO from the Council.

153. PARISH ROOMS AND LIBRARY

Councillor Axten reported that she and the Clerk had met with staff of

the County Council on 4th December regarding the fitting out of the new

library space. There would be a much better layout and 5 computers

for people to use rather than 2 as at present. A mobility scooter from

Clarks Village had been driven around the ground floor with very little

difficulty proving that the spaces were fully accessible. Tenders for the

works were due back on 20th December and would then be opened.

The library would be able to relocate to a vacant unit in the Crispin

Centre while the works were carried out if approved and the Council

office could move to Room 20 of the Community Centre.

RESOLVED

that the report be agreed and a consultation open evening be held

from 6.30 p.m. on 8th January 2020 in the Parish Rooms – monthly

Council meeting on 14th January and extraordinary meeting on 21st

January at 6.30 p.m. to consider the project, loan, precept and budget

For 2020/21.

154. CULTURE WORKING GROUP

Councillor Axten reported on a meeting on 4th December to discuss

final arrangements for the Christmas Cracker event. She wished to

record her thanks to the Assistant Clerk J. Marshfield for all her work in

organising the event so efficiently. She reiterated that it would be good

to have a few more marshalls and Councillor Shearer stated that she

might be able to persuade a couple of people to help out in the

morning.

RESOLVED

that the report be agreed.

155. ROLL OUT OF 5G

RESOLVED

that consideration of this matter be deferred until members had

attended a presentation on it to be organised by the County Council –

they would inform the Clerk when this had taken place.

156. CHAIR UPDATES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES/WORKING

GROUPS

Councillor Drew reported that representatives would meet with the

YMCA again in the New Year and that the grant conditions had been

agreed. She was organising a plastic free stall at the Christmas

Cracker. Strode College would provide refreshments for the Discover

Your Community event. Crispin School might want assistance with

mentoring and would contact the Clerk if they wished to apply for a

grant. It was agreed that Councillor D. Goater would speak to the

Theatre Manager about working with the YMCA and hire charges for

youth groups. The Glastonbury and Street youth group would be

asked to be part of the Discover Your Community event. They would

contact the Council to discuss grant aid depending on their charitable

status.

RESOLVED

that Councillor Axten would sign the Council up to the Young Person

Friendly Charter, adding it to the list of advocates and stating that it

was offering the final 3 of the 6 listed opportunities.

157. ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENTS – MERRIMAN PARK,

SKATE PARK AND STRODE ROAD ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk submitted a report which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

1. that the report be agreed and the trees survey for Merriman Park

be sent to Councillors Carswell and Diment

1. that Councillor Diment be consulted on quotes received for the

Category 1 tree works and Councillor Carswell be notified when the works were to take place.

158. CORRESPONDENCE/MINOR ISSUES

The Clerk submitted a report which had been circulated.

1. Co Option to fill Vacancy in West Ward

RESOLVED

that the report be noted.

2. Application for Premises Licence – Tipsy Pickle,

139 High Street, Street

RESOLVED

that the report be noted.

3. Annual Parish Meeting 2020

RESOLVED

1. that Steve Mewes, Policy Manager, Somerset Wildlife Trust be

invited to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting on 17th March 2020

1. that the Allotment Association be asked about planting trees at

the Strode Road allotments – Councillor Diment to give advice on this

topic

1. that the Council should work with Walton Parish Council on issues

relating to climate change including planting trees and being plastic free.

4. Allotment Tenancy Agreement – Strode Road

RESOLVED

that the Council should enter into a new 10 year tenancy agreement

with Street and District Allotment Association in respect of the allotments in Strode Road, as circulated and this to be signed by the

Chair and Vice-Chair on behalf of the Council.

5. Consultation Document – Strengthening Police Powers

To Tackle Unauthorised Encampments

RESOLVED

1. that the Clerk should forward the email on the above to members

for them to respond individually as a councillor and the Clerk to be copied in to their replies to keep a record of this

1. that the road closures in the New Year due to replacement of gas

pipes be publicised on the website etc.

159. REPORT FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

AND REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

District Councillor Carswell reported that he had chaired a meeting of the Strategic Leisure Board. Strode Pool was managed by Fusion and £320,000 had been spent on the facility in 2019.

District Councillor Shearer gave her report including funding available

for public safety such as helping women in crisis. District Councillor

Goater had attended meetings of the Somerset Growth Board and

about broadband provision. He asked members to attend the next

Parish Forum on 23rd January if they could. On 15th February the

County Council was holding an event called No Planet B. On 27th

February there would be a digital workshop in the Crispin Hall run by

Google and Lloyds Bank.

160. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The latest bank reconciliations for all accounts at 30th November, 2019

had been prepared successfully and sent to all members with the

monthly income and expenditure by account report, the final report of

receipts and payments for November and schedule of earmarked

reserves.

RESOLVED

that the report and schedule of payments as circulated be approved

and initialled by the Chair and the income and expenditure by account

report at 30th November, 2019 be noted and the schedule of receipts

and payments for December be attached as Annex A to the minutes in

the Minute Book in order to publish payments of £500 or more.

161. MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Clerk reported that she had identified initial tasks for the new

Assistant Clerk and Projects Officer M. Sandiford who would start work

with the Council on 2nd January. Councillor D. Goater reminded

members about the Council Christmas party on 17th December. It was

agreed that the Highways Working Group should consider removal of

signs for Slimming World around Street including those on bikes in the

High Street.

The meeting ended at 9.05 p.m.

Councillor D. Goater left at 8.35 p.m. and returned at 8.39 p.m.