

Evercreech Parish Council

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Evercreech Parish Council held this day 7th February 2023
7.00 pm, Evercreech Village Hall.**

PRESENT AT START OF MEETING: Lesley Parham (Chair), Roy Williams, Gail Wakeford, Rob Reed, Andy Chinnock, Jane Mackness, Murray Stewart, Peter Bradshaw

Also present Lynn Crisp (Clerk), 4 members of the public, Cllr Sully and Cllr O’Leary.

Item No		Action
	Present	
	<p>Open Session Members of the public are invited to speak for 3 minutes. This item does not form part of the minutes of this meeting.</p> <p>Stoney Straton Neighbourhood Watch requested a DFIB. Ex Greencore site - planning. Asked what liaison had taken place between Parish Council and District Council. Queried District Cllr reports regarding Mendip District Council finances.</p>	
001	<p>a. Apologies for Absence Cllr Breare.</p> <p>b. Appoint new Cllrs to committees/responsibilities. Cllrs were appointed.</p>	
002	<p>Declaration of Interests and Dispensation None</p>	
003	<p>Confirmation of the Minutes: Parish Council Meeting 10 01 23 Agreed with the amendment: 2 against not abstained. The chair hand amended the minutes. Proposed: RR Seconded: GW Outcome Agreed</p>	
004	<p>Public Reps invitation to speak. County Cllrs Cllr Sully. The chair thanked Cllr Sully for her report. The report can be found on the Parish Council website. Speed checks took place on the A371 from the 12th to 19th January along the stretch from Prestleigh Hill to Southwood. The average speed was recorded as between 35 mph – 40.1 mph. Based on results, Highways will be extending the 40 miles per hour limit past the Pecking Mill Pub, through Southwood and ending at the Wyke turn off. Highways will be in discussions with the police regarding the matter. Local Council Network groupings. The groups have been decided and announced. The networks are listed in the report. The way forward regarding planning; proposals are going through scrutiny, 4 area planning committees are planned, 13 Cllrs on the committees, 1 strategic planning board for controversial applications. Public speaking time is being looked at. Q: What about quality control over 4 planning areas? A: Cllrs can refer to strategic boards. Local Council Networks could also be used. Committee members will have training.</p> <p>District Cllr Report to follow.</p>	

	<p>Green space supplementary planning document. Play areas (LEP) and Muggas large play areas. Requirement of new housing developments of 55 dwellings and over to contribute to a mugga. Provision is not included in the latest ex Greencore site planning application.</p> <p>Areas dedicated as green areas – as a Parish looks to future green areas, they are obliged to provide further green spaces.</p> <p>The ex-Greencore site planning application is going to appeal. The owner of the land has submitted the appeal. There will be a public hearing; date and location not yet set. The location should be local and accessible to all. 7 areas where the application failed. They will each be examined.</p>	
005	<p>Actions List Clerk updated the list.</p>	
006	<p>Finance:</p> <p>a. Payments and Receipts Resolution to approve income and expenditure: Proposed: GW Seconded: RR Agreed</p> <p>Total monthly payments: 2,557.60 Total monthly income: 527.00 Bank account: The statement was not available at the time of the meeting.</p> <p>b. Parish Council to nominate 2 Cllrs to complete BACS payments: Cllrs Payments may be authorised immediately. LP GW</p> <p>c. Chair to sign the previously agreed DFIB Memorandum of Understanding. The chair signed the document.</p> <p>d. Review internal audit arrangements. These were reviewed and the proposal to invite Simon Pritchard to audit again for the year 2021/22 was made: Proposed: LP Seconded: GW Agreed</p>	
007	<p>Planning 2021/2820/OTS Ex Greencore site. The owners of the site have lodged an appeal. Outcome: Proposal: Object and to send new document to Appeal Inspectorate: Proposed: GW Seconded: RW Outcome: Agreed</p> <p>2022/2161/HSE Proposal: Erection of summerhouse joining existing garage and associated works. Location: 10 Neales Way Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset BA4 6LA Applicant: Mr J Emery Application Type: Householder Application Outcome: Approve Proposed: GW Seconded: LP Agreed</p> <p>Application No: SCC/3854/2021 Town and Country Planning Act 1990</p>	

	<p>Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015 – Notification of Committee Date: the application is due to be considered by the Regulation Committee at their meeting on 9 February 2023.</p> <p>Proposal: Section 73 application to vary conditions 2 (approved plans), 3 (noise mitigation) and 4 (night time noise limit) in respect of planning permission reference 2017/3147/CNT (section 73 application to amend condition 2[approved plans and specification], 3 [noise mitigation] and 5 [dust control] in respect of planning permission 2013/2083 for the construction of an Anaerobic Digestion plant)</p> <p>Location: Unit 22 Evercreech Junction Shepton Mallet Somerset BA4 6NA</p> <p>Parish Council Response: Object.</p> <p>The Parish Council would ask that the application to vary conditions 3 (noise mitigation), 4 (Nighttime noise limit) and 5 (dust control) are refused to ensure the quality of life/environment of the local residents.</p> <p>Proposed: GW Seconded: LP Agreed</p>	
008	<p>Cemetery a. Update i. Consider email and photo from resident. Cllrs requested The Clerk ask for professional guidance regarding the tree in question. ii. Lych Gate. Cllrs requested The Clerk obtain a quotation for repair. iii. Wheelie bin cement base update. 13th February 2023 b. Approve any memorial requests. 1 received. Approved.</p>	<p>Clerk Clerk</p>
009	<p>Park Inspection Reports Queens Road Playing Fields. The yellow connector on the play equipment will be replaced.</p>	<p>LP</p>
010	<p>Maintenance Working Party feedback. a. The book phone box glass has been replaced. b. Memorial plaques – Coronation Bench. Tamper proof screws required. Bus Stop. Cllrs requested The Clerk ask for a quotation to repair roof.</p>	<p>AC Clerk</p>
011	<p>Council Matters a. Skate Park update. Chair emailed Cllrs previously. The skatepark can't begin construction until the end of year. The start date will be before that as will go forward with the design stage and manufacture ready for construction. We are waiting for a date from them.</p> <p>The Chair is meeting Chris Young from MDC on 15th Feb to move the grant forward. After this, a meeting with residents will take place. Tesco cannot help with funding.</p>	

	<p>NASS have agreed a donation of at least 6,500 towards the project, this should be paid by the end of February. Cllrs thanked Cllr Chinnock for his efforts in securing this.</p> <p>i. Loan Scheme from Somerset Fields. The Clerk to send further information to The Chair.</p> <p>b. Youth Club update. Next meeting 21st February 2023, The Bell Inn 7.30 pm, all welcome.</p> <p>c. Village inspection/walk around date. TBC – The Clerk will send asset register to The Chair.</p> <p>d. Victoria Square - parking. Remains an issue. Discussions took place. Agreed that enforcement of parking restrictions is the problem. RW will speak with business owners and ask them to encourage customers not to park on double yellow lines.</p> <p>e. Grass cutting contract. It was agreed to split the contract into 3 sections.</p> <p>f. Add Christmas tree specifications to grass cutting contract. 10 – 12 ft Christmas Tree is required.</p> <p>g. DFIB – Stoney Stratton. The Parish Council asked The Clerk to write to the group requesting a costed proposal.</p> <p>h. Proposed Annual Parish Meeting (local groups invited) date: 25 04 23 Village Hall booked.</p> <p>i. The Annual Council Meeting will be held prior to the full council meeting: 04 04 23.</p> <p>j. Village Gateways. Add to budget next year.</p> <p>k. Millennium Garden request. The Parish Council considered this request and asked The Clerk to cost and contact the requester.</p> <p>l. King's Coronation arrangements. Saturday 6th May 2023. Picnic on Queens Road Playing Fields. The Chair agreed to contact previous celebration organisers and give feedback at the next Parish Council meeting. The Parish Council agreed to the use of the field.</p> <p>A suggestion to plant a commemorative tree was made. JM will investigate costs and a possible site.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to look into costs for Coronation Memorabilia for the Fosse Federation (Evercreech, Lovington schools and Acorns preschool).</p> <p>m. Generator Instructions. GW will ask a contact if they are able to test the generator.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>RW</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>LP</p> <p>JM</p> <p>GW</p>
012	<p>To note: a. Draft Members' Briefing Note Local Plan Part II (LPP2) Statutory Review</p>	
013	<p>Agenda items for next meeting Tree planting Coronation Picnic Planters on Prestleigh Road.</p>	

014	Date & time of next meeting, Evercreech Village Hall, 7 th March 2023, 7.00 pm (subject to change)	
015	Close of meeting Name: Lynn Crisp Time: 8.27	