

Evercreech Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Annual Parish meeting and Evercreech Parish Council held this day 4th April 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 Claire 7.09, *murray Stewart LP*

Also present Lynn Crisp (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

Item No		ACTION
	The open session will take place after items 001, 002, 003.	
001	Election of Chair GW nominated LP. AC Seconded the nomination. Cllrs present agreed unanimously by a show of hands. LP accepted the position of Chair and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.	
002	Election of Vice-Chair LP nominated GW. JM seconded the nomination. Cllrs present voted as follows with a show of hands: 4 for the nomination. 1 Against. No abstains. GW accepted the position of Vice Chair and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.	
003	Apologies for Absence Roy Williams. - <i>unwell LP</i>	
004	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. Members of the public confirmed they were in attendance to observe certain agenda items.	
005	Cllr Vacancies The Parish Council currently have 2 vacancies.	
006	All Cllrs to sign Member Declaration of Acceptance of Office All members signed the forms.	
007	Appoint Cllrs to roles, committees, and responsibilities. The document was updated.	
008	Declaration of Interests and Dispensation None declared.	
009	Confirmation of the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting: Minutes of Full Council Meeting 07 03 23. Chair signed as a true record with 2 amendments: Changed spelling of Cllr Mackness name. Added Cllr Mackness to thanks to District Cllr O'Leary.	
010	Public Reps: Somerset Cllr – Invitation to speak. Cllr Sully. Somerset Council (SC) has begun. Cllr Sully's report will be available on the Parish Council website and contains useful links. Mendip District Council (MDC) is an access point within the new Somerset Council Website.	

011	<p>Actions List Clerk updated the list</p>	
012	<p>Finance a. Payments/Receipts Resolution to approve income & expenditure. Resolve: Proposed: JM Second: RR 2 queries.</p> <p>b. PC to nominate 2 Cllrs to complete authorisation of meeting BACS payments: (Authorisation can now take place immediately after the meeting)</p> <p>Cllrs: GW LP Finance – Update as necessary.</p>	
013	<p>a. Planning Application Number: 2022/0781/HSE Proposal: External alterations to single-storey wing and erection of outbuilding. Location: Brewers House Weymouth Road Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset Applicant: Clare Gundry Application Type: Householder Application</p> <p>Outcome: Approve with the comment that The Parish Council were not happy with the material being used re external alterations.</p> <p>Application Number: 2022/0782/LBC Proposal: Regularisation of internal alterations, proposed internal and external alterations to single-storey wing, and erection of outbuilding. Replacement internal doors to first and second floor of main house, replacement of modern tiles to ground floor hall and replacement/relocated door furniture and painting to main house ground floor doors (to address unauthorised works). Location: Brewers House Weymouth Road Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset Applicant: Clare Gundry Application Type: Listed Building Consent Outcome: leave to Conservation/Planning Officer.</p> <p>Request from Cllr for this item to be added to agenda: Planning application SCC 3854 2021 Please check Somerset County Council website for details. Anaerobic digester – applicant applied to remove conditions re dust control etc. This has been approved by Planning. 2 further conditions were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic plan must be completed. • Right hand turn lane must be completed. <p>This has been a condition for several years. Interesting to see if they complete the condition this time.</p>	
014	<p>Cemetery i. Update regarding tree and path.</p>	

	<p>The Parish Council have been advised that the only resolution to the path/road being made safe is to fell the tree. The tree is a common conifer but does add to the landscape of the Cemetery. The roots could become more of an issue in the future.</p> <p>Proposal to fell the tree was made by JM. AC seconded the proposal. The Parish Council then voted as follows: For 3 Against 3 Chair – casting vote for. The proposal was carried. Quote will be obtained.</p> <p>ii. Quote to remove debris from the Cemetery. The cost will be 120.00.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to commission the work with 3 Counties.</p> <p>Memorials One memorial request had been received; this was approved.</p>	Clerk
015	<p>Inspection Reports Queens Road Playing Field i. Annual Inspection LP will note high risk areas and report back at the next meeting. ii. Monthly inspection Received</p>	LP
016	<p>Footpaths MS will annotate the paths included in the grass cutting contract and return them to The Clerk.</p>	MS
017	<p>Council Matters.</p> <p>a. Skate Park/grants update 30,000 Michael Eavis – paid. 20,000 MDC – 5,000 released to date. 2,000 – will be released upon completion. 7,500 from NASS – to be released. Tesco fund raising - have confirmed that the project will be available for their staff to vote on, should they wish to do so. Somerset Association of Local Councils may help with sourcing grants. AC to call contact given at last meeting.</p> <p>b. Youth Club Update. The committee are meeting regularly and moving forward with the re-opening of the Youth Club in the existing building.</p> <p>c. Cricket Club Building Update Feedback: Work has slowed due to weather conditions. Gave assurance that 2/3 of the building should be ready for decorating by Easter 2023.</p> <p>d. Skatepark Update. Going to resident consultation on Monday 17th April, venue to be decided but hoping the sports club will host. Designers from the Company will attend. 6 – 7 pm. Consultation will be advertised on: Facebook and the Parish Council website. The working party group will meet when the consultation is complete.</p> <p>e. Planters on Prestleigh Road. Consider quote to replace soil in 1 x planter. Cllrs were unable to decide whether it was the Parish Council's responsibility to contribute to the cost of digging out and replacing the soil. JM suggested Cllrs wait and see what the response was from the Women's Institute meeting and report back at the next meeting.</p>	<p>AC</p> <p>LP</p> <p>JM</p>

	<p>f. Speed Indicator Device. i. Consider correspondence from speed watch group – 2 documents. ii. Consider previous correspondence from Clerk – 1 document. Speeds are recorded from different times of the day. Discussions took place and there is more information gathering required. To begin with, The Clerk will look at the grant application form to ascertain the information required.</p> <p>g. Parking, Victoria Square, and opposite entrance to Queens Road. i. Disabled Bay outside of the CO OP. Discussions regarding the disabled space took place, it was decided to instruct The Clerk to request the yellow lines demarking the space to be painted.</p> <p>ii Other parking matters Cllr Sully confirmed that the enforcement officer is arranging regular visits and will find out what the restrictions are. AC confirmed that he has also investigated this matter and received a similar response.</p> <p>h. Shape Lottery Fund Funding requested for Village Cross survey. The request was refused.</p> <p>i. Asset register Prioritise any repairs. Carry forward.</p> <p>j. Maintenance Working Party update. Millennium Garden plaque will be in place shortly.</p> <p>k. Stoney Stratton speed restrictions. A Member of the public was invited by The Chair to speak. The speaker thanked the Parish Council for their support in the matter. The question, how will it be paid for and when was asked? The Council's response was to request a definite final cost/quotation and bring to next meeting for discussion. Discussions took place.</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>LC</p>
018	To Note:	
019	<p>Agenda Items for next meeting: WI Planter. JM Disabled line painting. Parking enforcement in the village. Stoney Stratton signs cost. Dog fouling. Hire of car park Neils Way. AC Parish Priorities for LCNs. Lych gate costs Asset register - decide priorities. Queens Road Playing Fields annual report decide priorities. Village cross survey update.</p>	
020	<p>Date & Time of next meetings:</p> <p>Annual Parish Meeting 25th April 3023,7.00 pm, Evercreech Village Hall. (Subject to change) Full Council Meeting 02 05 23 7.00 pm, Evercreech Village Hall. (Subject to change)</p>	
021	<p>Meeting Close 8.30 Lynn Crisp Clerk</p>	