

EVERCREECH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes to meeting 01 08 23.

		Action
i)	Public Open Session 2 members of the public were present. Planning application - tree planning application – tree has a TPO resident has applied to have the tree spread reduced. Parking sign opposite Evercreech House. Private will be re painted. Cllr Williams – paid tribute to the Late Colin Davis who had been an active member and former Chair of Evercreech Parish Council. The Cllrs send their formal condolences to his family and friends.	
ii)	County Cllr Report Apologies received.	
001	Meeting open time 19.05. Cllrs Present: Lesley Parham (Chair), Roy Williams, Gail Wakeford, Murray Stewart, Rob Reed.	
002	To receive apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given (LGA 1972 s85(1)) Cllr Chinnock – Work commitments Cllr Sully – Somerset Council	
003	Declarations of interests. Council members to declare any interests, including any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33 (b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations) None declared.	
004	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1)) 04 07 23 Chair signed as a true record.	
005	Actions List Clerk updated the actions list.	
005	Finance a. To approve the payment schedule for July 2023 Proposed: GW Seconded: MS All agreed. Nominate 2 Cllrs to authorise BACS payments. LP GW b. To approve the cashbook and bank reconciliation to 31 st July 2023 Not available at time of meeting c. Total Monthly Payments: Total Monthly income: Bank Account Balance: d. Finance Update i. Bank Signatory request. Carry forward. ii. Request for Cllrs to join the Parish Council Finance Working Party. A decision was made to continue to leave responsibility with the full council and have an extra meeting. Possibly meet in October to discuss finances, then have the budget meeting in December.	

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006	<p>Planning</p> <p>Application Number: 2023/1363/HSE Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension, first floor rear extension, installation of new porch to principal elevation, internal and external alterations, replacement of two oil tanks and associated landscaping. Location: Stratton Farm High Street Stoney Stratton Shepton Mallet Somerset Applicant: Mr and Mrs G McCarthy Application Type: Householder Application Response: Refer to Listed Building Officer</p> <p>Application Number: 2023/1364/LBC Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension, first floor rear extension, installation of new porch to principal elevation, internal and external alterations, replacement of two oil tanks and associated landscaping. Location: Stratton Farm High Street Stoney Stratton Shepton Mallet Somerset Applicant: Mr and Mrs G McCarthy Application Type: Listed Building Consent Response: Refer to Listed Building Officer.</p> <p>2 notifications regarding tree works have been received. The Parish Council are advised by Somerset Council that decisions for these types of applications are delegated to officers.</p>	
007	<p>Cemetery</p> <p>a. Update. Memorial Bench position agreed. Proposed: RW Seconded: GW All agreed. RW will put bin out in future for collection.</p> <p>b. Approve any memorial requests.</p>	
008	<p>Park Inspection Reports</p> <p>Queens Road Playing Fields Inspection report. Report received.</p>	
009	<p>Village Maintenance feedback:</p> <p>a. Quotes are being requested for Village maintenance requirements for the 23/24 budget: benches and tables. Work will not take place until after April 2024. Millennium Gardens wall – LP will request a quote for re pointing work. Rob Maidment might quote.</p> <p>b. A Parish tree inspection quote has been requested, inspection to take place after April 2024. The Parish Council agreed to an inspection, not a survey.</p> <p>c. Street Cleaning - Parish Council to discuss options. Discussions took place. Proposal to advertise the vacancy to individuals and local companies, closing date 31st August 2023. Proposed: LP Seconded GW All agreed.</p>	LP

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	<p>d. 3 blocked drains have been reported to relevant Somerset County department. Work has been carried out to village drains. If cars are parked over them at the time of remedial work, there is little that can be done.</p> <p>e. Broken tarmac in Enfield Road has been reported. Has been repaired. Residents can report issues via https://www.fixmystreet.com</p> <p>f. Planter on Prestleigh Road is ready for planting. Clerk to inform Women's Institute.</p> <p>g. Area Highways Team will be looking at the trees on the triangle in Oxford Street. The Parish Council noted this.</p> <p>h. Coronation tree – Queens Road Playing Fields. This has sadly been vandalised. Jane Mackness has removed it for safekeeping and will re plant in the autumn.</p>	Clerk
010 a	<p>Stoney Stratton Speed Restrictions. Feedback. No update has been received from Highways. The Clerk has requested an update.</p>	
010 b	<p>Skate Park update. Awaiting next phase from company.</p> <p>The Old Stores Studio proposal for skate park regarding a graffiti wall: Proposed: LP Seconded: RR All agreed.</p> <p>CRS (Building Merchants) may provide the materials for a graffiti wall. No cost to Parish Council.</p>	
010 c	<p>Cricket Club – Deed of Release of land. Cllrs requested that The Clerk ask the Cricket Club to come to the September Parish Council meeting to give a definite timescale of completion of the building.</p>	Clerk
010 d	<p>Pecking Mill Corner – Speed Indicator Device (SID). Feedback from Highways. Cllrs discussed and agreed with Highways that until the speed limit was reduced a SID could not be placed there.</p>	
010 e	<p>Youth Club Update. Thanks to Toni Guidi for his kind donations to the renovations of the building. Cricket Club Hut insurance. The hut is now insured with the Parish Council insurers.</p>	
010 f	<p>NASS post festival panel feedback Carry forward.</p>	
010 g	<p>Weeds, hedges, and verge cutting. Carry forward.</p>	
010 h	<p>Winter Grit Planning previously Country Roads Mendip. Carry forward.</p>	
010 i	<p>Village Cross. We are currently awaiting tender responses. When the cost is known the grant can be applied for. Information gathering for the grant is complete. Thanks to Cllr Stewart for his input. Cllrs to receive document stating the Cross is owned by Parish Council. Please see handwritten note on the document to this effect.</p>	

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010 j	Neal's Way Car Park risk assessment. Receive and sign off risk assessment. Cllrs thanked The Clerk for the document, and it was duly signed by The Chair.	
010 k	Weston Town Sports Club Request to use skate park area during the school summer holidays. Cllr Chinnock has asked to use this area for children's go-kart parties. The Parish Council agrees to this request if the Sports Club has no objections. Proposed: GW Seconded: LP Agreed.	
010 l	Deed of Release – Queens Road Playing Fields. Update. Cllrs agreed this cannot be re visited until the Cricket Club hut is ready to be handed over.	
010 m	Speed Limit A371. Traffic Regulation Order has been published.	
010 n	Victoria Square parking Marked Bays: Proposal: To go with the TRO option and confirm the Parish Council wish to have the parking bays installed under a TRO. Proposed: MS Seconded: RR All agreed.	
011	To note: Code of Conduct training for July 2023 was cancelled. This can be re booked for September 7 th , 2023, should Cllrs so wish. A pitch has been reserved for the Evercreech Show via email.	
014	Agenda items for next meeting Invite Cricket Club and Youth Club to the next Parish Council meeting. NASS post festival panel feedback. Weeds, hedges, and verge cutting. Winter Grit Planning previously Country Roads Mendip. Local Council Networking feedback.	
015	Date & time of next meeting, Evercreech Village Hall, 03 10 23, 7.00 pm (subject to change)	
016	Close of meeting. Name Lynn Crisp Time 20.15.	