

# EVERCREECH PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of meeting 06 02 2024

**Present: Lesley Parham (Chair), Derek Sharp, Rob Reed, Roy Williams, Gail Wakeford, Murray Stewart.**

**3 members of the public.**

**Lynn Crisp – Clerk**

**i) Public Open Session** **LEAD**

Somerset Bus Partnership – A resident has been asked to be the coordinator for Evercreech Village, promoting bus use and publicise the new timetables. Cllrs thanked her for agreeing to this.

Land off Prestleigh Road – Octavia Group. Resident has as previously spoken strongly opposing this build. Application was previously withdrawn. Noted that the pig farm next door to the land is very much operational.

Flooding - 12 inches of water filling a garden in Bridge Close (opposite the proposed development above), flash flooding happened, if the land is built upon, flooding could become more regular. Video footage of recent flooding is available.

Pointing - Village Cross – mortar is failing. Resident advised that work has not yet been commissioned, hence the reason for fencing erected around it.

Flood defence plan for the village. Advised that the Local Council Network is looking at this matter.

**ii) County Councillor Report**

Apologies received for absence.

Cllr Chinnock – Work commitments

Cllr Sully - personal

**Meeting open time**

**7.08**

001 **To receive apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given (LGA 1972 s85(1))**

Claire Sully (Somerset Council Cllr) – unwell.

Andy Chinnock – work commitments.

002 **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)

Gail Wakeford – item 007 2024/0024/HSE. Personal planning application.

Cllr Wakeford signed the relevant form.

003 **To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))**

Proposed: RW

Seconded: DS

Agreed

The Chair signed the minutes.

004 **Actions List**

The clerk updated the list.

006 **Finance**

a. To approve the payment schedule for February 2024.

Date:  
Signed

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Proposed: GW  
Seconded: MS  
Agreed

Nominate 2 Cllrs to authorise BACS payments.  
GW and LP

b. To approve the cashbook and bank reconciliation to February 2024.  
C/f to next month.

c. Total Monthly Payments:  
Total Monthly income: 236.00  
Bank Account Balance: 59,037.78

d. Finance Update  
Noted advice from Finance Officer regarding remaining prudent with spending  
for the rest of the financial year.

007

## **Planning**

**Proposal:** Proposed car port  
**Location:** Harambee Bruton Road Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset  
**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Wakeford  
**Application Type:** Householder Application  
**Application Number:** 2024/0024/HSE  
Cllr Wakeford left the meeting. 7.15  
Approve:  
Proposed: LP  
Seconded: RR  
Agreed  
Cllr Wakeford returned to the meeting. 7.18

**Application Number:** 2023/1624/FUL  
**Proposal:** Erection of a single storey dwelling, double garage and associated landscaping.  
**Location:** Oak Acre Farm Redlands Farm Lane Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset  
**Applicant:** Mrs K Richards  
**Application Type:** Full Application  
Refuse on the following basis – Does not state it is for an agricultural worker's home, change of use of agricultural land.  
Proposed: RW  
Seconded: GW  
RR abstained.  
5 votes for.

**Application Number:** 2023/2150/FUL  
**Proposal:** Installation of a Public Swimming Pool. (Retrospective).  
**Location:** Pool At Maverick Lodge Redlands Farm Lane To Prestleigh Road Evercreech Shepton Mallet Somerset  
**Applicant:** Mr Ryall  
**Application Type:** Full Application  
Leave to planning officer.  
Proposed: GW  
Seconded: RW

Date:  
Signed

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**Application Number:** 2023/2349/FUL

**Proposal:** Change of use to residential.

**Location:** The Flat Above Salon Victoria Square Evercreech Shepton Mallet  
Somerset

**Applicant:** Marilyn Phillips

**Application Type:** Full Application

Refuse on the following basis:

Consultation list - consultees should have been widened, did not include all nearby residents, lack of parking/highways.

Proposed: RW

Seconded: GW

Vote:

For: 4

Against: 2

Refusal carried.

## **Octavia Group**

Request: Please see the link below to our consultation website for a new residential development off of Prestleigh Road, Evercreech.

Please can you circulate it to your members or mailing list. We welcome any comments from the parish in addition to the questionnaire at the end of the site. Planning application possibly being submitted at the end of February.

**Resolution required:** To comply or otherwise with the request.

Resolve: to write to Octavia Group with the following response:

*The Parish Council noted your correspondence.*

*The Parish Council concluded that it is the responsibility of the developer to set up/arrange/publicise a public/residents consultation and it is not for the PC to do this on their behalf.*

008

## **Cemetery**

a. Update

Mapping

Ongoing. A different spreadsheet will be required for the new grave section of the cemetery. This will be a time-consuming task for the Clerk.

b. Approve any memorial requests.

1 to approve.

Approved.

009

Park Inspection Reports

Queens Road Playing Fields

Small repairs required.

Commission skate park inspections from February 2024.

**Clerk**

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Village maintenance feedback:

i. Dog bin has been replaced – Leighton Lane.

**RW**

Lid on Millenium Garden bin to be replaced.

ii. No response from contractor re commissioning the work to the Lych Gate in April 2024. GW will follow this up.

**GW**

iii. The Parish Council is expecting an invoice for the fencing around the Village Cross.

iv. WI planter, Prestleigh Road, needs removing.

Cllrs requested that The Clerk write with the request to the WI.

**Clerk**

011 a

Bus issues

i. Appoint Cllr to the Bus Representative post.

Susan Ehnman (resident) has agreed to be the representative for the village.

ii. Donation request from Somerset Bus Partnership.

The Clerk will email them a donation form.

**Clerk**

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- ii. No 1 Bus route update – petition.  
A resident has kindly coordinated paper copies of the petition to be distributed to local business. They will collect the petitions and return them.
- 011 b Agree updated the 5-year Action Plan – add items if required.  
Agree to adopt the plan.  
Proposed: LP  
Seconded: MS  
All agreed.
- 011 c Bus Stop, Prestleigh Road, art proposal.  
Agree and request the work to be carried out.  
Proposal to request the work to be commissioned:  
Proposed: LP  
Seconded: GW  
Agreed.  
Clerk to advise group. **Clerk**
- 011 d Agree updated master Risk Assessment.  
Proposed: LP  
Seconded: GW  
Agreed. Thanks, conveyed to the Clerk.
- 011 e Agree Street Cleaning Contract  
Proposed: GW  
Seconded: DS  
Agreed.
- 011 f Recycling sites, proposed closures.  
Dimmer site is proposed. Noted fears re fly tipping and residents travelling further afield. Dulcote is not currently on the at-risk list.
- 011 g Health Market Research – Intelligent Fieldwork. **GW**  
GW forward to Patient Participant Group.
- 011 h Possible DFIB Training sessions:  
Plant sale.  
Church coffee morning. **Clerk**
- 011 i Skate Park Update.  
Line painting will take place shortly.  
Donation from a local business was gratefully received.  
£18,500 still needs to be raised.  
17<sup>th</sup> March 10 – 12 a Sunday official opening. Sir Micael Eavis has been invited.  
Old stores are running the art project, they have funds for the workshops and designs.  
Disco has been invited.  
Sports club will provide refreshments.  
LP speak with Paul Sealy re cutting of the grass around the skate park. Meet to discuss on the opening day. **LP**  
Artist wanted a skate park logo, not for painting on the skate park, to be used in publicity. The Parish Council requested a few more sample logos to be produced. . LP will distribute. **LP**
- 011 j Stonewater Housing contact details.  
Noted.
- 011 k Proposal to enter confidential session.  
Staffing.  
Clerk salary increase agreed.  
Successful yearly appraisal, again.  
Proposed: LP  
Seconded: RW  
Agreed.
- 012 To Note:

Date:  
Signed

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Local Council Network meeting date has changed to Monday, 11th March, 2024, 7.00 pm at Council Chamber - Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cannards Grave Road, Shepton Mallet BA4 5BT.

Citizens Advice update.

A resident has asked Cllr Sully to find out about section 106 money put aside for Evercreech Primary School from the Horsehill development.

Planter in Weston Town (just before Weston Town Sports Field) has been kindly planted by Jaci Elliott.

013 Agenda items for next meeting.

Hedge QRPF.

Police reports.

Skate park update.

014 Date & time of next meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024, Evercreech Village Hall, 7.00 pm (subject to change)

015 Close of meeting: 8:15

Name: Lynn Crisp

Date:  
Signed