

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 7th February 2019

The Parish Council met in the Village Hall. There was an attendance of 4 Parishioners, 6 Parish Councillors and District Councillor Simon Wright.

Apologies for absence: County Councillor Rufus Gilbert, District Councillor Judy Pearce.

Open Forum: Mr D. Horton reported that he had cut some of the hedge leading to Stockwell and that Mr. Clive Lee had cleaned up the road afterwards.

County Councillors Report: There was none this evening.

District Councillors Report: District Councillor Wright reported that the JLP was on track for the final option meeting in March. There is talk of a South West Mutual Bank to cover the west country, any one can apply for an account, so helping those on benefits who find it hard to open bank accounts. By the end of February all councils will have met and agreed to the bank operating, it is to be headed by a local person. There was a Peer Review at SHDC to see if they are on track and the final findings were very complimentary. There was a Business Rate Consultation and SHDC are totally opposed to second home rate relief.

Chairmans Report: Cllr. Rossetti thanked Cllr. Wright for filling the grit bins in the Parish. Apparently there is still some left over. It was decided to reinvestigate the proposal to get a defibrillator for the village, costings, how they work etc. to be discussed again at the next meeting. Village Voice reporter, it was thought that this could be beneficial to the village. We need to find someone willing to take up this role. The website has been altered by Cllr. Wright and Cllr. Geoffrey Rossetti will take up the running of it. We will monitor it and see how productive it proves to be for the village.

Police Report: Nothing to report.

Traffic Action Group: There was no one from the group at tonight's meeting. It was suggested we contact them to see how they wish to proceed.

Declarations of interest: Mr G. Johns declared a personal interest on application no. 4208/18/HHO

Neighbourhood Planning: Cllr. Geoffrey Rossetti thanked the working group who have delivered all the leaflets in the Parish, and to John Walster for printing the letters, making the notice boards, hanging the banners etc. There is to be a meeting attended by Richard Benton on 12th February at 6.30pm in the Village Hall.

Planning Applications:

The Old Coach House, Gerston no. 4208/18/HHO for extension to provide family ancillary accommodation. The Parish Council were in favour of supporting this application.

Bridge Meadow, Kingsway Park, no. 4088/18/HHO for construction of a garden building. The Parish Council were in favour of supporting this application.

9 Town Park, West Alvington, no. 0026/19/HHO for proposed alterations and extension to dwelling. The Parish Council were in favour of supporting this application.

Gerston Point, Gerston, West Alvington no. 0042/19/FUL for retrospective application for change of use of land to domestic use with carport and storage building. The Parish Council wished to have a site visit before making any further comments. An extension of response time to be sought.

Minutes of the last Meeting: The minutes were confirmed and signed, copies thereof having been given to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

Financial Report:

The Clerk reported the following balances:

Current Account	5415.04
Savings Account	857.51
Parish Plan Account	499.98

A.O.B -by direction of the Chair: Cllr. T. Head issued the councillors present with some photos showing the state of the potholes in the Town Park Car Park. It will require planings or tarmac to repair them.

Mrs L. Chin expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor and it was suggested she be co-opted on until the Elections in May. This was proposed by Cllr. G. Green, seconded by Cllr. G. Johns, all in favour.

There being no further business the meeting was closed, the date of the next meeting being confirmed as Thursday 7th March 2019 at 7.00pm.

Signed.....Dated.....