Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Yatton Parish Council held on Monday 13 September 2021

Held at Hangstones Pavilion, Stowey Road, Yatton, BS49 4HS.

Meeting opened: 7.30 p.m. Meeting closed: 8.45 p.m.

Present: Councillors: Jonathan Edwards, Graham Humphreys, Chris Jackson, Robert Jenner, Peter Lomas, Jessie McArdle, Massimo Morelli, Bryan Thomas and Roger Wood.

Also in attendance: Clerk, District Councillor Steve Bridger and Rev. Tim Scott.

Chairman Jonathan Edwards spoke with sadness of the death of former Parish Councillor Martyn Hooper and a minute of silence was held to remember him.

Councillor Graham Humphreys spoke in memory of Martyn Hooper who passed away age 84 and his funeral was held on Thursday 9th September 2021. Martyn had been both his and Councillor Bryan Thomas's PE master at Withywood Comprehensive school and they both remembered him for his kindness and understanding. He had been a long-standing member of the village cricket club and had served on Yatton Parish Council for ten years; very much enjoying the role until his health deteriorated. He would be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Prayers were led by Rev. Tim Scott.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU32/21: To receive apologies for absence, and to approve reasons where appropriate.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors David Crossman, Caroline Sheard and District/Parish Councillor Wendy Griggs.

COU33/21: To receive declarations of interests by Parish Councillors and to consider any written applications for dispensations.

NONE.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COU34/21: Public participation.

NONE.

North Somerset Councillors' Report.

The first North End Road closure had come to an end with much of the old vegetation cleared back from the pavement surface so it was re-widened to its original width. The crossing between Chestnut Park and Eaton Park still required final approval.

The 24 homes on the North field application by Newland Homes had not yet reached decision. A Wakedean Management Committee had been set up and there had been a recent issue of a Full Council 13/09/2021 1 (of 3) refuse worker falling and the crew then refused to collect the road. Since then a letter has gone to all households in the road requesting that all bins and boxes must be taken to the edge of the pavement for collection.

Parish Liaison Officer Report No report as new Liaison Officer not appointed yet.

Police Report NONE.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU35/21: Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12th July 2021.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2021 were approved as a correct record (correction to Jessie McArdle surname spelling) and signed by the Chairman.

COU36/21: Exclusion of public:

Not required.

*** The meeting was suspended to allow Rev. Tim Scott and District Councillor Steve Bridger to speak to the Council during the following item.

COU37/21 To form a working group to collate the CIL ideas consultation responses. The Council discussed the time frame for the consultation and decided that it would take place from 14th September – 5th October with the working group collating responses for the Finance Committee to discuss. The Finance Committee would make a recommendation of suitable projects to the November Full Council.

RESOLVED: to form a working group to collate the responses ahead of the Finance Committee meeting 11th October. Members: Councillors Jonathan Edwards, Chris Jackson, Peter Lomas, Jessie McArdle and Massimo Morelli.

COU/38/21 To receive a report on the proposed new cemetery off Mendip Road.

The Clerk and Councillor Chris Jackson had worked on a number of documents required for the planning application for the new cemetery. The groundwork specification, drawing amendments, landscaping details (partly covered withing the Ecology Report), utilities assessment and the application form itself were still to be completed. The solicitors were in contact regarding the lease and North Somerset Council had spoken with the tenant farmer about extending a temporary agreement for him to continue using the land with a review at Christmas.

COU39/21 To consider the re-appointment of an existing trustee to Yatton United Charities.

RESOLVED: that Marianne Pitman be re-appointed as a trustee to Yatton United Charities.

COU40/21 Finance

To authorise payments, including to note receipts and petty cash payments for August and September 2021.

RESOLVED: To authorise payments, including to note receipts and petty cash payments for August and September 2021.

Matters for Information

COU41/21: Clerk's report.

i) The Clerk thanked everyone very much for all the cards, good wishes and gifts for her recent big birthday.

ii) A discussion was held about whether to have a table at the village market. Councillor Graham Humphreys was willing to put a display up on a table at the market. There were other Councillors who had volunteered to be representatives at the market.

iii) The North End allotments would hopefully open this week following further issues by Bloor incorrectly marking up the site and access problems with the padlocks. The Clerk asked if she could order a mini skip for people to put stone from the plots in as there was quite a bit of it following the rotavating.

iv) The External Auditor report had still not been received.

v) The issues with play equipment at Rock Road and the roundabout surface at Hangstones were slowly being resolved.

vi) The Annual Report was to be approved at the November Council meeting.

vii) The Somerset Playing Fields Association had awarded Hangstones recreation fields a bronze award at a presentation evening 10th September attended by the Clerk and grounds person Megan Thurgur.

viii) Councillor Jonathan Edwards asked members if anyone could take his place at the ALCA AGM as he was unable to attend. There was no-one able to take his place therefore the Clerk was to give apologies.

COU42/21: Future agenda items.

CIL Consultation recommendations by Finance Committee – November Council meeting. To approve the Annual Report 2020-21 – November Council meeting.

The new proposed cemetery off Mendip Road.

To consider a contribution of £2,000 towards publicity for the new Yatton to Clevedon bus service - September Full Council 2021.

Chairman

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