

HAWKCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Hawkchurch Village Hall on Tuesday 15th January 2019

Present: Cllr's R Churchill (Chairman), D Searle, S Bartlett, T Greenshields, R Fox and J Baker

In Attendance: The Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe), Cllr I Hall and seven members of the public.

649	Apologies No apologies received
650	Declarations of Interest Cllr Fox declared a personal interest in her P3 expenses claim under payments to be made.
651	Minutes The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 18 th December, having been previously circulated, were adopted as a true record.
651	Matters Arising from the Minutes Several suggestions had been received regarding the future use of the redundant telephone box. It was generally felt that the idea of using the kiosk as a tourist information point was most popular. It could also be used as a library and swap book location. Sadly at the moment the kiosk is somewhat dilapidated and needs cleaning. Cllr Bartlett volunteered to clean the kiosk. A final decision regarding the use of this facility would be made at the February Council meeting.
652	County and District Report Cllr Hall asked if the problems with the blocked gulley at Brimley Road had been resolved, to which Cllr Greenshield replied that the Lengthsman had manually dug this but that deeper digging was required. He then mentioned the forthcoming highways meeting to be held at Musbury to which Cllr's Greenshields and Horrocks agreed to attend. Cllr Hall made some comments regarding the council's response to the AONB consultation. He concluded his report by updating the meeting regarding the proposed relief road in Axminster which he felt would offer regeneration to the town and employment opportunities.

653	Democratic Period A member of the public raised a query regarding the Deed of Variation in connection with the Section 106 houses in School Lane stating that he did not understand it. Cllr Hall would investigate this.
654	Rope Walk The area known commonly as the 'Rope Walk' is not registered. The cost of registering this in the name of the parish council is estimated to be in the region of £1,000. Sworn statements would need to be obtained to the effect that the parish council had maintained the area for a good number of years. Resolved that the clerk be asked to instruct the solicitors to act on behalf of the council to have the area registered.
655	Accounts for payment Resolved to pay the following accounts: Lottery Wins for January £125.00, Mrs Fox £60.95, HMRC £146.40, Darren Strawbridge £240.00 and Society of Local Clerks £40.00.
656	Financial Update The financial update of budget v actual receipts and payments had been circulated prior to the meeting and were agreed. Cllr Greenshields confirmed that the bank reconciliations were correct.
657	Section 106 Update There are still difficulties being experienced finding out the actual amount of funding available to the parish, however it is understood that our proposal for se of funding for the tennis court works will go to the EDDC committee next month. Resolved that funding be set aside for this project. It was noted that the Playing Field committee had agreed the preferred contractor at their meeting earlier this evening.
658	Planning Applications There were no applications to be dealt with at this meeting.
659	Planning Determinations The application for Barcombe Farm had been refused on the basis that the proposal was too high and there was not enough land around it. Cllr Greenshields felt that the plans must have been wrong as there was about eight acres on this site.
660	AONB A report had been circulated by the working group and was discussed. Cllr Horrocks stated that there had been discussions in 2017 regarding a possible Neighbourhood Plan for Hawkchurch, however it had been decided not to go ahead with this as there did not seem to be enough enthusiasm to do the task. One possible alternative would be a Neighbourhood Development Order, and this would be explored with the senior planning officer at EDDC. At present Hawkchurch is not in an Area of Natural Beauty (AONB) although it is described as being in the Wooton Hills. Both consultation documents provided by EDDC required feedback fairly shortly, and it was agreed that Cllr Horrocks would provide the clerk with a suitable response prior to the deadline. The

	<p>documents appear to offer a review of the present Conservation Areas, and indeed the creation of new ones. This would be a good area to explore to protect the parish.</p> <p>It was agreed that a Planning Strategy Working Party would be formed to look into these matters</p>
601	<p>Highways and Rights of Way</p> <p>The Lengthsman had undertaken works at Red Pitts and Coate Farm. Some ditch work had been done on Wareham Road. Some works were required by the sewage works. Two places had been allocated on the Chapter 8 course. This is a legal requirement for works carried out on the highway.</p>
602	<p>Website</p> <p>Site was now up to date. Cllr Fox would have access to the site but would need to show script to the clerk before publication for legal reasons. We could look into being able to self-access the site to input data in the future.</p>
603	<p>Election</p> <p>The election would take place on the 2nd May 2019. Completed nomination forms need to be had delivered to the EDDC council offices in Honiton as postal entries cannot be accepted. The closing date will be the 3rd April at 4pm.</p> <p>The present council ceases 4 days after the election. The new council needs to have its first meeting between the 4th and 14th day after the election, which means that the May meeting will have to be earlier than normal.</p>
604	<p>Items of Urgency</p> <p>Concerns were raised about the bright lights at the school which were perceived to possibly be a problem for passing motorist. The clerk would write to the school on this matter.</p>
605	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 19th February 2019 at 7.30pm</p>