**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DYRHAM AND HINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 31ST MARCH 2022 AT DYRHAM AND HINTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30.PM**

Present: Councillors: Kerry Sawyer (KS) Chairman, Bruce Gawler (BG) Vice Chairman, Philip Boulton (PB), Ward Councillor Ben Stokes (BS) and the Clerk Christine Howard

The Chairman stated that as Councillor Sharon Sasada had not attended the last 6 months meetings and had not asked for a leave of absence she was now not a Parish Councillor. The Clerk had put an official notice on the website and noticeboards.

**Members of the Public**

1. **Apologies for absence**

Andrew Banwell.

**2. Declaration of Interests under the Localism Bill 2011**

None

**3. Reports by any Councillors or Clerk on Meetings attended**

None

**4. Confirm the minutes of the last meetings 27th January 2022**

KS proposed acceptance seconded by PB all who were there agreed and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

**5. Matters Arising from the Minutes – not an agenda item**

6. E Bike scheme no one had come back before the 13th February to take up this offer.

6. Speedcheck by SGC. Chris Harris from SGC had sent an e mail with the 2020 data attached. He asked where we would like the speed checks to take place, this siting may take longer than usual due to staff shortages at SGC.

**6. Correspondence Received**

**South Gloucestershire Council**

Various items for information sent out to Councillor’s

**Other**

The Chairman had received correspondence from Parishioners thanking the Parish Council for all there hard work in getting the temporary stop order and court order on the land at Hinton.

A letter from a resident asking if his 13yr old daughter who is doing her Duke Of Edinburgh award could do some litter picking in the parish. This was agreed and a safe area was chosen for her to do this.

E mail from a Parishioner complaining that the public footpath is virtually impassable due to wet weather and sheep crossing along the route, as SGC has no right to go on people land to add scalpings. It was agreed that someone who speak to the landowner unofficially.

E mail from a resident complaining about the mud on the road and that the water is still flooding as the drains were blocked again in Doynton Lane. The Clerk had reported this to SGC Streetcare and had met up with a representative from Street Care who had agreed to look into the matter further..

Email from Doynton Half Marathon Chairman informing us who won the vouchers we provided and thanking us again for our support

Email from St Peter’s Hospice thanking the Parish Council for the £200 donation.

**7. Planning Applications**

**No objections**

P22/00682/ TCA The Old Rectory, Upper Street, Dyrham. Work to trees.

P22/01102/TCA Shire Horse Barn, Doynton Lane – Work to trees

P22/00884/F Ford Farm Stables, Hinton – Erection of a log cabin for staff accommodation.

**Objection by PC**

**None**

Decided at Parish Council Meeting

None

Decision by SGC

P21/01052/F Oldfield Gatehouse – Erection of 1 no marquee for a temporary period of 12 months. – Approved with conditions.

P22/01102/TCA P22/01102/TCA Shire Horse Barn – work to trees. – no objection

**8. Accounts – payments since last meeting**

The payments were duly agreed before payment by 2 councillors.

**9. Bank Reconciliation and Income and Expenditure by Budget**

The Clerk distributed these before the meeting. They were duly agreed.

**10.** **Community Benefit Money**

* **Repair to damage to common land at Cock Lane**

Still ongoing SGC say that it is on the list to do.

* **Miscellaneous**

The 3 Shires Patient Participation group had made an application for funding of the Memory Café which will meet monthly. KS proposed we give them £1,000 to help with the start up, seconded by BG– carried unanimously.

The Litter Picker had e mail asking for a trolley as the amount of heavy litter was causing him a problem, the Clerk and Chairman had discussed this and it was seen as a duty of care to an employee and had ordered one for him.

KS reported on the Sologen speed check. There would be a one off cost of £340 also an upgrading cost and they would provide data as and well required. BG proposed this be paid seconded by PB – carried unanimously.

The urn in the Parish Hall needed replacing KS proposed we purchase one with new mugs at a cot of £300.00.

**11.** **The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend 2022**

KS reported that:

* The band had been booked.
* The Street Food man had been booked
* Ice cream van booked
* The WI would do teas and it was agreed a grant of £300 would be given.
* The Fairground dodgems had been booked – subject to weather conditions as a new entrance to the field had been found.
* A helter skelter has also been booked for the car park.
* Gazebos were also needed.
* Wine and beer to be provided. KS to look at if we need a licence.
* As the hall is only bookable for 80 people it was agreed a booking system would be set up.
* VIP tickets would be available.
* Bunting would be purchased.

**12. Unlawful diversion of right of Way**

A Court Order had been issued for the work to stop and to put the land back as it was. Since then it seems that the owner has allegedly sold the land on and that the Court Order was about him not the new owner who has now put horses on the land. A letter had been sent to SGC urging them to take action listing a way in which under the Town Planning Act 1990 they could provide pressure to ensure the hardcore is removed. A vote of thanks was given to BG for all his hard work on this. Karen Hayes the Rights of Way Officer had been copied in correspondence.

**13. Enforcement Issues**

Holly Tree Cottage – an appeal has been lodged.

**14. Staffing Issues**

* The Clerk had resigned and a new Clerk has been appointed to start work on 15th April 2022. KS gave a vote of thanks to the Clerk and presented her with flowers and a gift voucher.
* The litter picker had asked for 3 hrs hours a week as the work had increased, KS proposed this seconded by BG – carried unanimously..

**15. Ward Councillors Report**

* BS reported that there had been fires in the Parish one had been a caravan that had been dumped and then set on fire, the Environmental Team had been informed, the second one had been at the Tollgate Restaurant which was now closed until further notice.
* BS reported on the Local Action Plan anyone interested can download the toolkit from SGC website.
* The next Community Forum Meeting is to be held on 7th April where the new Police Beat Officer will be in attendance

**16. Items of Report for next meeting**

None.

**17. Date of Next Meeting**

**May 21st 2022**

**July 28th 2022**

**September 29th 2022**

**November 24th 2022**