## Minutes of the Meeting of Kilmersdon Parish Council Held at the Coles Garden Meeting Room At 7.30pm on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

PRESENT:	Cllr R Morse (Chair), Cllrs N Brand, R Butt, D Hudson, K Lewis.		
ABSENT:	Cllr S Gibbs.		
ATTENDING:	1 member of the public, L Close (Parish Clerk).		
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111.APOLOGI	ES	ACTION	

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Gibbs.

## **112.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Hudson declared an interest in item 11 Planning Application 2018/2526/TCA as the applicant.

#### 113.MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018 were **agreed** as a true record and signed by the Chair.

## **114.PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME**

The Village Sign was brought up the agenda and discussed with a member of the public. From a choice of two proofs it was **agreed** to go ahead with two signs reading 'Welcome to Kilmersdon Home of Jack and Jill'

The signs cost £300 each and the Village Day has contributed £400 with the Parish Council paying the final £200. Installation would take place via Somerset County Council. The Parish Council noted its preferences for the locations of the signs, which would be conveyed to the Highways Officer for advice.

## **115.NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Cllr Hudson reported that a meeting of the working group of five people was scheduled for the following Monday.

## **116.FINANCIAL MATTERS**

The following payments were **agreed.** 

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Cllr Hudson

Clerk

Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
1&1 Internet reimburse d to L Close	Quarterly internet fee	£17.96	£14.97	LGA 1972, s111	001266
Lord Hylton	Garage fee	£50.00	£41.67	LGA 1972, s112	001267
P G Owen Ltd	Payroll services	£215.00	£215.00	LGA 1972, s112	001268
L Close	Salary (Oct)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972 s.143	001269
L Close	F Secure computer security	£39.99	£33.32	LGA 1972 s.143	001270
SJH Services	Strim and clear leaves	£110.00	£110.00	LGA 1972 s.112	001271

## **117.GRANT FUNDING**

The Committee considered the funding requests. This year there were more requests than amounts budgeted and the Parish Council **agreed** to spread the budgeted funds between the applicants as follows:

Defibrilator	<b>£50</b> paid 17/9/18	LGA 1972, s.137
Parish Church – for the	£1,300 budgeted	LGA 1972, s.
parish churchyard	£1,500 requested	142
	£1,000 allocated	
Parish News	£400 budgeted and	LGA 1972
	requested.	s.142
	£400 allocated.	
Village Day	£50 budgeted and	LGA 1972
	allocated with a	s.137
	further £50	
	provisionally set aside	
Request from Citizens	£1,000 requested.	LGA 1972
Advice Bureau, circulated	£0 budgeted.	s.137
by email 5/11/18	£300 allocated.	
Mendip Community	£250 requested.	LGA 1972
Transport	£0 budgeted.	s.137
	£100 allocated.	
Total Amount budgeted	£1,930 budgeted.	
2018/19	£1900 allocated, with	
	a further £50 held for	
	the Village Day.	

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## 118.DRAFT BUDGET

In terms of insurance, it was noted that (1) Zurich has quoted a 3 Year Long Term Agreement of £512.16 and a 1 Year Agreement of £539.52 (including IPT) and (2) Came and Company – unwilling to quote so far in advance but suggest for budgeting purposes £695 including Insurance Premium Tax (IPT) which is currently charged at 12%.

The draft budget 2019/20 was discussed and noted. When the tax base is received it will be brought back to the Parish Council as the basis for the precept calculation.

## **119.HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**Potholes** - Haydon Hill from Kilmersdon to the BANES boundary: An inspection of the site had been arranged (ref.529552) and the Parish Council conveyed its thanks for the necessary remedial works which were undertaken to a good standard.

Jack and Jill footpath is extremely slippery due to leaves and moss and is a significant hazard in this route to school. Whilst they have been cleared to an extent by SJH Services the land belongs to Somerset CC. Agreed to continue to ask Somerset CC for the leaves to be cleared regularly to keep the footpath safe for school children.

## 120.PLAYING FIELD

From the weekly play park checks -

- The rear of the noticeboard is showing signs of wear noted.
- Damage to a seat of a picnic bench, possible rot underneath Cllr Morse to assess what is required
- Rear bars of baby swing are cracked to monitor the rubber around the bars.
- The framework and in particular the top bar of the swings needs painting noted
- The branches overhanging the zip wire require cutting back. **Agreed** at a cost of £195.
- Loose football posts had been assessed by Cllr Brand and it was agreed to continue to monitor these.

The footpath at the playing field is overgrown with weeds. **Agreed** to contact the landowner stating that the Parish Council has discovered that it is not its land and requesting that it be maintained on a regular basis. Currently it is overgrown with vegetation and is a trip hazard.

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## **121.PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 2018/2526/TCA Proposed works to a tree in a conservation area:- T1 - Fir - Fell. 66 School Lane – no objections.
- 2018/2180/FULRetrospective change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian commercial use, to include riding arena/ menage, stables, field shelters and laying out of hardstanding areas.Land At 369675 151170 Hoares Lane – deadline extended until 20/11/18. – objected on highways grounds in that the lane is very tight and not appropriate for more traffic.
- 2018/2755/TCA Tree works in a conservation area, The Hayes, School Lane – no objections.

## 122.VILLAGE SIGN AT THE TOP OF THE HILL

This had been covered under Comments from the Public.

## 123.CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from the Village Hall Management Committee dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 was noted. **Agreed** to respond asking for clarification of "they had no objection to the Village Shop planning application following the resolution of the issues they had over car parking". The Parish Council asked how the car parking issues had been resolved, because it appeared that nothing had changed in car parking terms.

Correspondence from Somerset CC Rights of Way team was received, with a consultation on paths categories and vegetation clearance schedules. **Agreed** to contact Stuart Green for advice and assistance.

## **124.OUTSIDE BODIES**

There were no reports from Outside Bodies.

**125.MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA** There were no new items for the next agenda.

## 126.DATE OF NEXT MEETING 17th December.

**127**.It was agreed to exclude the press and public under s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that the publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

## **128.REVIEW OF LEASES**

There had been no response from the landlord and therefore no update on payment of legal costs for the review of leases.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.

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