

**Draft Minutes for the Ordinary Meeting of the new Sherborne St John Parish Council following on from the AGM held in the Chute Pavilion on 19th May 2021.**

**31.21. Election of Chairperson .**

The Parish Clerk opened the meeting and asked the Councillors to elect a Chairperson. Cllr Rougier proposed appointing Cllr Morgan as Chairperson, seconded by Cllr Agnew, and carried unanimously.

Cllr Morgan took over control of the meeting as Chairman.

a. The co-option of Mrs R Cooper and Mrs N Rougier to continue as Councillors until July 2021 was carried unanimously. Parish Clerk has sent completed forms to BDBC.

b. Interviews with prospective candidates for the vacant Councillor positions have been held. Mr. McIntyre has agreed to be co-opted as a Councillor. Once he has completed the necessary forms for submission to the BDBC Democratic Services Officer recording his appointment then either Cllr Rougier or Cooper will resign. Once he is in place the Parish Council will continue to advertise for another candidate.

**32.21. Attendance**

Present

Cllr R Morgan	Chairperson	Cllr C Davies	Treasurer	Cllr R Cooper	Cllr N Rougier
Cllr L Agnew	Planning Chairperson			County Cllr R Vaughan	
Borough Cllrs T Robinson & J Ganesh for the new Sherborne St John & Rooksdown Ward.					
Parish Clerk Mrs P Mayo			7 parishioners		

**33.21. Election of Officers**

The following appointments of Officers was agreed until such time as new Councillors become available.

1. Vice Chairperson, Cllr Agnew – proposed by Cllr Davies and seconded by Cllr Cooper

2. Treasurer, Cllr Davies – proposed by Cllr Morgan and seconded by Cllr Cooper

3. Planning Committee Members - yet to be agreed.

4. Parish Council Representative on Village Hall Committee. Cllr Davies proposed Cllr Morgan seconded by Cllr Agnew.

**34.21. Minutes of the meeting 24th March 2021**

Cllr Agnew noted that she was unable to get internet access for this meeting.

Cllr Davies proposed acceptance of the minutes 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021, seconded by Cllr Cooper ,and signed as accurate by Cllr Morgan as Chairperson.

**35.21. Matters arising from the minutes.**

Item 26.21 the playground improvements is still under discussion.

**36.21. Councillors Comments**

Cllr Vaughan report

15 of the 76 Councillors elected are new with a Conservatives majority of 56.

The new Police & Crime Commissioner appears to be ready to take control and work for improvements to the service.

a. The police dealt with drugs and knife issues, but the problem is the numbers of officers and cash available.

b. At present it is basically a police service not a police force able to address the issues that affect people such as vandalism, crime, anti-social behaviour, speeding, burglaries.

c. There will be 400 new police officers employed to address these problems.

d. A340 speeding needs to be addressed by engineering, education and enforcement. He will raise the issue of installing a ‘gatso’ camera which would not only pay for itself but would also stop many speeding vehicles.

The meeting thanked Rhydian for all his work on their behalf.

Cllr Robinson report

The Covid response had been extremely good, with grant supports and provision of vaccination centers.

The weekly bin collection has been protected.

CSPO – 2 more safety support officers dedicated to the rural beats.

Wildflower areas have been created - meadows, verges around the Borough.

A recent PIP application was lost on Appeal.

Local Plan is being updated with a call for sites. Only about 20% are likely to be successful. Planning Officers are asking Borough Councillors for comments.

The most likely development area is from Sireburne up towards Gale's garage. Weybrook golf course could also be a development site.

43% of the Borough is already classified as an area of outstanding beauty.

Cllr Robinson introduced the new Borough Councillor Jay Ganesh one of the 3 elected for the new ward of Sherborne St John and Rooksdown.

### **37.21. Open Forum**

**PM** Elm Road – while this is scheduled to be finished in June it was reported that this did not deal with the erosion of the edges. This is exacerbated by the narrowing of the road by Elm Lea farm entrance. Parish Clerk to recontact HCC.

It was suggested that changing the weight limit on the Bramley bridge would stop some of the large commercial vehicles using the roads and destroying the edges.

There was a request to plant trees with blossom to encourage bees.

**PM** Some road signage needs repairing/replacing and clamping to posts. Detail to be sent to Parish Clerk of exact positions.

The lengths man is scheduled to cut the hedges at Sunnyside allotments on next visit. Mr Edwards agreed to JWE purchase 2 ½ lts of Johnson's white paint so they can complete the painting of the gates into the village.

**JWE** With the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Queen's reign the Parish Council hope to plant 4 trees in the village with commemorative plaques. My Edwards will research costs and where they can be planted.

**PM** Send Mr Barnard the e mail from consultants re ownership of ponds re potential development.

**PM** A new litter bin was requested at the top of Manor road.

**PM/TR** Queries were raised about 26 Manor Road. Cllr Robinson to contact planning.

**PM/TR** Contact enforcement officer as nothing seems to have been done about the fence on the old Mustard Pot site which blocks views of the pond and which was meant to be hedging.

**PM** Contact Swan to remove dead Ash tree bordering the allotments.

### **38.21. Parish Matters**

#### **a. Chute Recreation Ground & Pavilion**

It was noted that the entrance road is in a bad state of repair.

**PM.** The Parish Clerk will investigate the installation of a mirror as it meets Vyne Road as visibility is difficult.

#### **b. Lengths man's tasks**

See Open Forum for comments.

#### **c. Allotments**

No issues to raise.

#### **d. Infrastructure and Transport**

The Parish Council have agreed to continue the funding for the weekly Community Transport Bus to Chineham.

**PM.** The Parish Clerk will obtain a quote to install a noticeboard on the new shop premises.

#### **e. Footpaths**

1. **PM** The documents from HCC to ratify the re-direction of the footpath at the recreation ground were signed by Cllrs Morgan & Davies with the Parish Clerk as witness. To be sent to HCC for completion.

2. It is hoped that further copies of the newly produced footpath map of the Parish be installed at other points around the Village – positions yet to be identified.

### **39.21. Correspondence Received**

**PM** The Village school have asked for a donation towards the costs of their new playground. The Parish Clerk will send the donation request form to the School for completion.

### **40.21 Finance**

a. Payments. The Councillors reviewed the schedule of payments listed below made by the Parish Clerk on the Parish Council's behalf since the last meeting & all signed the schedule as accurate.

Recipient	Reason	VAT for reclaim	Parish	Chute	Total with Vat
Rokill	Vermin control	22.20		111.00	133.20
BDBC	Ground's maintenance	759.84	3799.20		4559.04
HALC	Subscription fees		565.44		565.44
Tennis Club	Reimbursement	32.51			32.51
Crown Gas	Gas usage	69.50		347.46	416.96
Macro	Pavilion supplies	23.07		115.36	138.43
Salaries	Salary April		1473.54		1473.54
Timpsons	Key labels	3.33		16.67	20.00
Mike Gardens	Clear area for Lectern		180.00		180.00
Sokoloff	Telephone box	12.03	59.94		71.97
O2	Telephone	6.72	33.60		40.32
O2	Telephone		-8.00		-8.00
Castle Water	Allotment water		101.06		101.06
Cross Courts	Tennis courts rep & cleaning	135.00		675.00	810.00
Lightatouch	Audit		425.00		425.00
Bob Berry	Flagpole	111.00	555.00		666.00
Timpson	Reimbursement TC	15.75			15.75
Cross Courts	Tennis courts weed control 2 visits 2021	152.00		760.00	912.00
S Electric	Electricity	3.50		66.50	70.00
BCT	Community bus		66.00		66.00
BCT	Community Bus		50.00		50.00
Castle Water	Water /waste Pavilion	88.75		840.19	928.94
Viking	Cartridges & stationery supplies	37.63	214.87		252.50
HALC	Subscription	32.00	160.00		192.00
O2	Telephone	6.72	33.60		40.32
O2	Telephone		-8.00		-8.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1511.55</b>	<b>7701.25</b>	<b>2932.18</b>	<b>12144.98</b>

**b. Audit 2020/21 for agreement & signing for submission to Audit Commission.**

**PM** The Parish Council agreed the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/21 which was signed by the Chairman Cllr Morgan. Clerk will submit to the External Auditors PKF Littlejohn.

**41.21. Planning**

There were no objections noted for action.

21/00866/HSE	17 Paice Gardens	Conversion of existing garage to home office and store.
21/01122/HSE	Homestead Aldermaston Road	Erection of 2 storey rear extension.
21/01150/LBC )		
21/01149/HSE )	Manor Farm House	Ext to rear & side, internal alterations, erection of new Outbuilding
T/00242/21/TCA	13 Kiln Road	Silver birch removal to ground level.
T/00244/21/TCA	Fourways Cranes road	Fell lime Tree.

**41.21. Close**

The meeting was closed by the Chairman Cllr Morgan at 9.10p.m.