

## HATCH BEAUCHAMP PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Hatch Beauchamp Parish Council held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall

**Present:** - Mr Kevin Comer (Chair), Mrs Pippa Fowler (Vice Chair), Mrs Jan Walton, Mr Steve Williams, Mr Shaun O'Dell, Mrs Sue Wright and Mrs Katie Piper plus attendees as below and 4 members of the public

**Apologies:** - None

**In Attendance:** - Cllr Wakefield, Cllr Henley, Ms Chadwick as Clerk

#### Public Forum

- Cllr Wakefield circulated her report, including an update on the Local Community Networks meeting. Cllr Henley has been helping the applicants for the Community Shop and updated the meeting that conditional planning had been granted earlier that day.

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Andy Grant and Jill O'Connor. It was resolved that the apologies and the reasons for them be accepted.

#### 2. Declarations of interest

Stephen Williams declared an interest in the Village Hall referenced in item 4.3 and 8. Katie Piper declared an interest in the Village Shop reference 4.4. Both agreed to not participate in decisions on Councillors regarding these organisations.

#### 3. Minutes

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and the Planning Committee on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 were approved.

#### 4. Sub Committee and Community Reports

##### 4.1 A358

No updates to report pending the outcome of the HM Treasury review.

##### 4.2 Greener Hatch Beauchamp

Katie Piper presented a draft tree policy and it was agreed that Councillors would revert with questions at the next meeting. The GHB group to speak to Somerset Council to ask for input on the use of green spaces in the parish. Sue and David Graham alternating leading Wellness Walks. The next Repair café planned for 4 November.

##### 4.3 Village Hall

Work starts on refurbishment Monday 10 July, due to complete 8 September.

##### 4.4 Community Shop

Planning achieved today but with conditions on opening hours, charging pints, bike racks and surfacing the drive which is increasing costs. Cllr Henley assisting to see if movement on these is possible.

##### 4.5 Neighbourhood Plan

5<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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Successful and well attended consultation in May. Results will be published over the summer and policies drafted for autumn.

**4.6 Any other reports**

None

**5. Local Community Networks**

It was agreed that Kevin Comer will contact Andy Grant regarding representation at the Local Community Networks meeting on 17 July.

**6. Update on Bus Proposal**

The Councillors received an update on the trial bus service commencing Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August once a week for 3 months. The bus will leave Hatch Inn at 10 am and return at 13.30 from Taunton at a cost of £2 single, £3.50 return. Posters are underway and reminders will be posted to website and social media.

**7. Use of Community Infrastructure Levy monies**

The following potential uses of CIL monies were proposed:

- Traffic signs (20s plenty)
- Fence outside Village Hall c. £2800
- Tree guards c.£600 - £950

It was agreed to discuss these further at the next meeting.

**8. Proposal re Playing Field grass cutting**

Councillors received a proposal on Playing Field grass cutting. Mr Williams did not participate in the decision. It was agreed to reduce the Village Hall contribution this year by £600 to £165.60. Clerk to contact Treasurer of Village Hall.

**9. Finance**

**9.1 Bank Reconciliation**

The Council approved the bank reconciliations.

**9.2 Schedule of Cheques**

The Council approved the Schedule of Cheques as follows:

Summary of Payments Due						
To pay:						
Clerks wages	5 May to 29 June			473.60		11.84 x 8 weeks x 5 h
Clerks expenses	Stationery and ink (50%)			16.41		
Information Commission				40.00		
Jill Larcombe	audit			60.00		
Somerset Council	dog bins			38.12		inv 30020337
Parsons Landscaping				965.41		inv 16851
Cheques to pay:				1593.54		

**10. Agenda Items for next meeting**

None

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The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

To be signed by the Chair at the next meeting (Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023):

The minutes reflect an accurate record of events subject to any amendments listed below.

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Amendments:

Produced by:

**Helen Chadwick**, Clerk

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5<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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