

HUISH CHAMPFLOWER PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Huish Champflower Parish Council held on Zoom Tuesday 9th February 2021 at 7.30pm

Present: Stephen Kimsey (SK- Chair), Mary Abel (MA), Stephen Powles (SP), , Mark Vvyyan-Jones (MVJ), Chris Chanter (CC), Jos Phillips-Harral (JPH), Dorothy Hayward (DH-Clerk), Frances Nicholson (FN)

1	Apologies -Louise Cook (LC) unwell	
2	Declarations of Interests- None	
3	Minutes of meeting held on 8th December 2020 Approved- proposed by Mary Abel and Seconded by Jos Phillips-Harral	
4	Matters Arising - Paint for the phone box to be ordered at the end of March Broadband- Watercombe House should be able to connect to BT, Tanners unknown as Louise not present. To confirm at next meeting Planning rules SK has a one side of A4 list from Somerset West previous council to be circulated	DH SK/DH
5	Finances. Balances Business Account £1065.17/ Treasures Account £10039.37 Insurance cheque has been issued not yet cashed. Clerks wages are still being sorted issues with HMRC, Outstanding payment due to SK to be sorted before the end of March. Online banking to be sorted each of the signatories need to set this up and then DH can be set up as an administrator. DH to send out instructions on how to do this. It will make life easier especially if village hall work goes ahead.	DH
6	Public Works Loan for the Village Hall The minutes of the meeting with SALC to discuss a public works loan was circulated to all councillors in advance of the meeting. This outlines the plan of action and the next steps that the council need to take. Public consultation is crucial and the council needs to demonstrate the impact that this could have on the precept, as well as any alternative options. It was RESOLVED to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to apply for a PWLB loan of £100,000 over the borrowing term of 20 years for the village hall refurbishment. There were 5 votes in favour and 1 abstention This will now go to the Village Hall committee meeting on Tuesday 16th Feb to plan the consultation in detail.	DH/SK
7	The Old Quarry. Multiple reports of bikes, quad bikes and 4X4 vehicles using the old quarry and bridle paths have been given to Mark and the local police officer Bryan Stevens. The police have given COVID warnings. As soon as lockdown is	MVJ

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	over Historic England, the Police and the Parish Council to meet and formulate a plan.	
8	Highways road closures have meant a lot of driving on the verges as roads too narrow to allow traffic to pass. Damage reported to the verges around Washbattle bridge as well as damage to a vehicle. The Cleeve fencing and road surfaces are deteriorating as all traffic is using this route due to Tanners Hill road closure by Wessex Water. A spring has also popped up under the road causing potholes. DH to report this to Highways	DH
9	Playing Field Swings -leave for next meeting	
10	Planning Brendon Edge - this Menage was approved last March it needs to be moved by 10 metres due to a mains water pipe feeding Maundown. It will now be open with just sand on the ground. The hedge will be replaced with a larger hedge of similar species. West Shute Farm - non compliance issue. Residents should not be living on site. Very difficult to ascertain this information due to remoteness.	
11	AOB -Hand Salt Flicker to be purchased for Winters Cross, this will make gritting the area easier. Cost £70-£100 Steve Powles to purchase and cost to be reimbursed. SK proposed and MA seconded.	
	Date of next virtual meeting 9th March 2021 at 7:30 on Zoom	