

HUIISH CHAMPFLOWER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 24th May 2022 at 7.30 pm held at the village hall

Present: Stephen Kimsey (SK), Mary Abel (MA), Louise Cook (LC), Marc Vyvyan-Jones (MVJ) and Dot Hayward (DH).

1	<p>Election of Chairman Stephen Kimsey was nominated and proposed as chairman by MVJ and seconded by MA. All agreed and Stephen Kimsey was unanimously re-elected as Chairman</p>	
2	<p>Acceptance of Office Stephen verbally accepted the post, acceptance of office form was completed.</p>	
3	<p>Election of Vice Chairman Mary Abel was nominated and proposed by SK and seconded by LC. All Agreed Mary was re-elected as Vice Chairman. Mary verbally accepted. Acceptance of office form was completed.</p>	
4	<p>Apologies. Cllr Francis Nicholson, Chris Chanter, Steve Powles, Cllr Dave Mansell and Cllr Mark Blaker</p>	
5	<p>Declarations of Interest. None</p>	
6	<p>Election paperwork. Papers collected from those present. SK took papers for SP and DH to deliver papers to CC</p>	
7	<p>Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Council meeting 4th May 2021 All agreed that these were a true record. Minutes signed by SK</p>	
8	<p>Matters Arising. None</p>	
9	<p>Acceptance of the accounts for the year 2021-22 Accounts and AGAR return were circulated before the meeting Thanks were expressed to Andrew Smith for carrying out the internal audit. DH to scan to pdf and send to SK, notices to be put on website and notice boards and return to be sent in</p>	DH/SK
10	<p>Finance. Business Bank Account has £1065.32 and Treasurers has £14033.57. The Treasurers account has £2500 of phase 3 opening up grant that needs to be spent by Sept for meeting outdoors. Other commitments include £1800 Clerks wages, £6,000 for the hall refurbishment, other general spend is in the region of £1.5-£2k per annum. Leaving £1733.57 in the Treasurers account. Agreed to move £1,000 to the Business Account to cover any unforeseen election expenses. Mary and Dot visited the bank to get the online authorisations sorted, the bank said this should happen next week, we await confirmation. Phase 3 opening up grant needs to be spent quickly or we will lose it. Some picnic benches were suggested. SK to ask Andrew Norman if he could help with this</p>	DH SK

	<p>Other suggestions of new tables and folding chairs were on the application, plus £200 for play equipment. A gazebo would not be practical due to the weather and exposed position. Payments for these will need to be agreed outside of meetings and ratified later DH to be reimbursed £163.79 for the Jubilee Mugs for the village children. A list of names was compiled and MA, SK, MVJ and DH to contact the parents regarding distributing the mugs.</p>	
11	<p>Matters arising Swings:- we need to determine the boundary of the cricket pitch, in order to see where swings can go. LC to talk to the chairman of the cricket club. John Grace has been looking at a Morrisons grant but this now needs to focus on the kitchen in the refurbishment of the village hall. Meanwhile Louise has been given leads on 3 promising grant providers for playground equipment. Replacement of the swings likely to be in the region of £5K, but we can claim the VAT back. If we went for a more extensive package it would be £14K, but that may need to be a future development. Decision was that we would replace swings using funding from grant money, this will give us upto 25 years guarantee. We can make some savings by removing the old swings ourselves. LC to apply for Lotto funding for the swings and send a message to FN, DM, MB to see if there is any support from the council. Trees very upsetting that the sapling trees planted by the children have been removed, it is uncertain who did this. DH to put an article in the parish magazine. Quarry:-The iron age fort is now being eroded by motorbikes etc. MVJ to arrange to meet with English Heritage, the local policeman, Jos and Graham Tout. CCTV signs suggested and also a discussion about an interpretation board outlining the history of the area/site. Possibly consider fencing and gates for pedestrians. Notices should state that all motorised vehicles should be banned. Noticeboard at Huish Moor. DH to look for replacement or repairs. Jubilee Picnic in the park event on 4th June. There are 20 children living in the village, Jubilee mugs have been bought for each of them MA, SK, MVJ and DH to send parents details about collecting the mugs at the event.</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>LC</p> <p>DH MVJ</p> <p>DH</p>
11	<p>Date of next annual meeting 25th May 2023</p>	

Clerk to the Parish: Dorothy Hayward