



BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH 2023

22/155 PRESENT

The following took part in the meeting

Parish Councillors: Councillor F. Takel, Councillor H. Albery, Councillor J. Sandiford
In Attendance Councillor F. Nicholson, Councillor N. Thwaites
Clerk : J. Aldridge
Public :

22/156 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor N. Prouse, Councillor S. Cookson, Councillor S. Pugsley

22/157 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

22/158 DEFERMENT OF BUSINESS

None

22/159 APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Approved by Councillor Takel and seconded by Councillor Albery

22/160 FINANCIAL REPORT

22/160/01 Payment Authorisation

The following March payments were approved and cheques signed:

PAYMENT AUTHORISATION: MARCH 14TH 2023

	INVOICE NO.	EXPENSE	NET	VAT	GROSS	CHEQUE NUMBER
Amherst & Shapland		Staff Wages	£538.00		£538.00	
		Amherst & Shapland Monthly Fee	£12.50	£2.50	£15.00	
		Total Staff Wages and Administration	£550.50	£2.50	£553.00	NATWEST 000695
Mrs J Aldridge		BACS Payment made to Tanks Direct for Grit Bin £91.20 + £33 Delivery Charge inc VAT	£103.50	£20.70	£124.20	NATWEST 000696
TOTAL			£654.00	£23.20	£677.20	

22/161 PATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Councillor Albery sent details of the local missing signposts but could not attach the spreadsheet so will try again, Councillor Nicholson has offered help if required in this matter.

22/162 PARISH MAINTENANCE

22/162/01 Speed indicator Devices

The Clerk has emailed the funding request for the SID, a copy of which was emailed to the Councillors, and will update the Councillors once she has received a reply.

22/162/02 Grit Bin - Update

The Clerk has ordered and paid for a 100 litre Yellow Grit Bin to replace missing bin 356 from Langaller Hill. The Grit Bin has been delivered to Councillor Albery's address. The Clerk has checked the amount of grit in each of the Brushford Parish bins and has reported her findings to the meeting and will now request a fill for those that are empty.

22/163 RESIDENT REQUEST FOR ROAD SIGNAGE RE:EMAIL 07/10/22

The Clerk has collected the road sign from Blueorange Sign Company and has made arrangements for its placement at Nicholas Close. The Clerk also reported that very unfortunately Blueorange have gone into administration after 25 years of trading meaning that any future signs will need to be sourced from a new supplier.

22/164 SOMERSET EMERGENCY COMMUNITY CONTACT - REPORTS

The Clerk has completed the Somerset Emergency Community Contacts new contact form with the details of Chair Nick Prouse as discussed at the last meeting.

22/165 BRUSHFORD BELLRINGERS REQUEST

A request has been received from Brushford Bellringers asking for funding of £300 to purchase new flags. The Councillors decided that for the sake of the village to allow this grant, the Clerk will arrange for this payment to be made.

22/166 CLERKS JOB - UPDATE

The Clerk has researched the necessary forms for the application and appointment for the job of Parish Council Clerk and has emailed them to the Councillors in order for the appointment of Clerk to be correctly carried out.

22/167 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3/04/23/002 No objections

3/04/23/003 No objections

22/168 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Thwaites stated this would be his last meeting and thanked the Council for all their help in the past and was, in turn thanked by all of the Councillors for his help and expertise throughout his tenure, he stated he will still be willing to answer any queries in the future if required, he shall continue in his role with Dulverton Town Council.

Councillor Nicholson reported the LCN panel will meet this Thursday when it will be reported on how they will go forward after April 1st, it will mean a widening of issues but the most important thing for the Exmoor LCN will continue to be highways. The highways pilot brought to light the contractors lack of clearing the green routes and they have been issued with a warning.

22/169 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is to be Tuesday, April 11th 2023 at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall.

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N. Prouse Chair