

BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH 2024

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The following took part in the meeting

Parish Councillor S. Councillor F. Takel, Councillor J. Sandiford, Councillor H. Albery, Councillor S. Cookson

In Attendance : Councillor F. Nicholson, Councillor S. Pugsley

Clerk: J Aldridge

Public:

24/100 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

24/101 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made

24/102 DEFERMENT OF BUSINESS

None

24/103 APPROVAL OF OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Approved by Councillor Takel and Seconded by Councillor Cookson

24/104 FINANCIAL REPORT

24/104/01 Payment Authorisation

The following November payments were approved, the Clerk will now make the BACS payments:

PAYMENT AUTHORISATION: NOVEMBER 12TH. 2024

PAYEE	INVOICE NO.	EXPENSE	NET	VAT	GROSS	CHEQUE NUMBER
Amherst & Shapland		Staff Wages	£626.17		£626.17	
		Amherst & Shapland monthly fee	£12.50	£2.50	£15.00	
		Total Staff Wages and Administration	£638.67	£2.50	£641.17	
Mr P Takel		1 X Grass Cutting JG £75 + 1 X Strimming at Bus Stop £15	£90.00		£90.00	
Brushford Parish Hall CIO	BPH2023-0445	Hire of Hall for October meeting	£13.75		£13.75	
Ken White Signs	INV45179	Basketball Court & Defibrillator signs	£104.00	£20.80	£124.80	
Mrs J Aldridge		Travel to & from Exmoor LCN 28miles @45p per mile	£12.60		£12.60	
TOTAL			£859.02	£23.30	£882.32	

24/104 PATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Following the footpath survey Councillor Albery asked the Clerk to order 4 X 3" posts single finger each reading Public Footpath

Councillor Takel stated the railway footpath has been cut back but it is not known by whom.

24/106 PARISH MAINTENANCE

24/106/01 Station Road Bus Stop Flag

The clerk has sent an email to the Public Transport manager regarding the bus stop flag which had not been provided when the timetable and noticeboard were installed, a reply was received stating the issue is noted and will not be forgotten.

24/106/02 New grit bin 102 placement

Councillor Albery has the grit bin and will put it in place with some help.

24/106/03 Basketball Court and Defibrillator signs

The Clerk collected the signs and will put them in place.

24/107 SOMERSET RIVERS AUTHORITY COMMUNITY FLOOD ACTION FUND

This issue was discussed and it was decided no action was required as the Councillors believe they have enough flood defence equipment and process in place

24/108 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3/04/24/007 No Objections

24/109 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Nicholson said that at the Exmoor LCN the Highways representatives explained how the department is going to be decimated in numbers

All Towns and Parish Councils have been asked to send a letter to the Chief Executive to express their concerns regarding this issue.

Councillor Pugsley spoke about the boundary commission and encouraged the Parish Council to write expressing their concerns

Councillor Nicholson said there is good news re the foodbank, 50 people attended the public meeting - lots of support and various people have volunteered

SALC has provided a grant and Magna has stated they are willing to provide the maintenance.

The new premises can be used by various organisations as well as by the foodbank.

Many people have become involved in this and the future is looking bright.

24/110 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is to be Tuesday, December 10th 2024 at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall.

N. Prouse Chair