Minutes of Sampford Arundel Parish Council Meeting held Tuesday 1 March 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Rooms.

Present: Cllrs J Lloyd (Chairman), B Brown, J Burgess, K Hill and G Pike

District Councillors D Mansell and Roger Habgood

Cllr Charles Doble - Chairman of Ashbrittle Parish Council

Alice Kendall - Parish Clerk

093.22 Public Forum - matters of report

Cllr Habgood gave an update on some current business at Somerset West & Taunton. This includes preparations of the new unitary authority and the upcoming elections for which the district officers are working hard towards. Other issues are moving forward as planned such as planning applications and related phosphates mitigation. Also, the implementation of a Town Council for Taunton which is currently un-parished. The budget had recently been adopted by Full Council which he believed to include some good plans for spending.

094.22 Apologies for absence and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Milton and Sydenham.

095.22 Declarations of Interest, pecuniary or otherwise, in any agenda items

There were none.

096.22 Approve and sign Minutes of the meetings held 4 January 2022

RESOLVED to confirm and sig the minutes of the meetings held 4 January 2022 as a correct record.

097.22 Chair's Report

The Chair reminded Cllrs that the Pre-Election period is due to begin on 21st March but as there are no Parish Council meetings scheduled, this should not affect them too much.

098.22 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was circulated with the agenda and was noted.

099.22 Road Safety

Charles Doble, Chairman of Ashbrittle Parish Council, had contacted Somerset County Council Highways to enquire about the possibility of stopping up the road the connects the A38 with the Holywell Lake Road. As this is within our Parish, the County Council would like our views. The original e-mail including map was circulated with the agenda. He also gave further background at the meeting.

RESOLVED to support the application for stopping up of this road as the Parish Council had discussed this in previous years. The Clerk was asked to forward the application to the Clerk at Wellington Without for information as this will affect access into their Parish.

100.22 Finance

a) To approve payments since the last meeting

Cheque	Name	Description	Amount
000941	HMRC	Clerk Salary Deductions Q4	£151.80
000942	Miss A Kendall	Clerk Salary Feb	£228.39
000943	Miss A Kendall	Clerk Salary Mar *	£191.05
000944	Sampford Arundel Parish Rooms	Hall Hire 2021/22	£90.00
000945	Vision ICT	Website and Domain	£228.00
000946	Miss A Kendall	Clerk's Expenses **	£120.60
		TOTAL	£1,009.84

^{*}post-dated to 25/03/2022

RESOLVED to approved payments as presented.

b) Income received since the last meeting

Name	Description	Amount
Natwest	Bank Interest	£0.08
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HMRC	VAT Refund*	£125.45
	TOTAL	£0.15

^{*}Expected before year end

The income was noted.

c) Bank reconciliation to date RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation.

d) To note spend to date against the budget

The budget report was noted.

101.22 Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The Chair reported that the Beambridge would be putting on a quiz on Friday 3rd June and a family fun day on Sunday 5th June. Councillors Burgess and Hill will be arranging a 'tea on the green' event in the village on Sunday 5th.

RESOLVED that the council will contribute up to £500 towards the village event.

Having a tree planted on the green was also discussed, the Clerk with gather information in time for the next planting season.

102.22 Planning

Somerset County Council - Ref SCC/3881/2021/SCO

Location - Greenham Quarry, Wellington

Proposal - Request to the Somerset County Council for a Scoping Opinion in connection with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) that would be submitted in support of an application for a small scale High Temperature Treatment Facility at Greenham Quarry, Wellington

^{**} breakdown detailed in Clerk's report

Councillor Mansell gave further information on the above application and explained that this facility will be for the disposal of hospital waste which currently has to be transported to Gloucester. Councillors raised some concerns over the amount of additional traffic and pollution this might cause but noted that this will also have to be approved by the Environment Agency.

103.22 Matters of report

- Councillor Hill again raised the issue of the metal sign posts being rusty. She
 also reported that Mrs Waterhouse has kindly offered to pay a contractor to
 paint the telephone box which was gratefully received.
- Councillor Brown commented on the length of time that the works at the Perry Elm roundabout had overrun by.

104.22 Items for Next Agenda

Platinum Jubilee Üpdate Annual Parish & Council Meetings Audit

Next Meeting: 7.30pm Tuesday 4th January 2022

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.11 pm

Signed: