



**A MEETING OF THE CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ELECTRONICALLY ON ZOOM
On Wednesday 14th October 2020, where the following business was transacted**

Minutes from the meeting

1. **Those Present on Zoom:** Cllrs Hayne, Baker, James (joined later), Parsons, Smith District Cllr S Kingham, along with 2 Parishioners and the Clerk – were all online
2. **Apologies for Absence and dispensations:** Cllr Aylmer
3. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr James re planning 19/20/00013 – District Cllr Kingham re planning - predetermination on planning development committee. The Chairman re agenda point 9
4. **Statements by County /District Councillors:** District Cllr Kingham informed the meeting that Sedgemoor DC has been asked to do a business case study of how to run a combined Council, with the amalgamation of Councils imminent. A budget consultation is being carried out – those who wish to have a say in how their Council Tax can be spent – here is a link - <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/BudgetConsultation20/>
5. **Minutes of the “E” Parish Council Meeting held on 9th September 2020** – these were accepted as a true record and agreed unanimously by the Council
6. **Matter arising (including matters of report from the minutes not itemised below) NONE**
7. **Financial Matters**

Update – as at 14th October 2020, the banks accounts balances stood at £14,189.38

a)	Clerks Salary – (September)	£ 193.97
b)	PAYE for September	£ 40.74
c)	Clerks exp Zoom	£14.39 inc VAT
d)	SDC Grass cut 14.07.20 (39633)	£66.00 inc VAT
e)	SDC Grass cuts 03.08/21.08	£132.00 inc VAT
f)	Authorise transfer from Santander to Unity Bank	£4000.00

It was agreed unanimously by the Cllrs to pay the above accounts, other than 7c , which will be deferred until the next meeting, as this had not been approved by the Council last month The Clerk to pay the accounts passed for payment using the internet bank Unity Trust

The Clerk informed the meeting that the extra signatories for the bank application form will be resubmitted, and hopefully be in operation by the next meeting

- 8) **Planning: 19/20/00013 – 21 Broadway Chilton Polden TA7 9DR** – outline application with some matters reserved, for the erection of up to four self-build dwellings – located at 21 Broadway TA7 9DR. The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.15pm, to enable the Parishioners attending to speak on the application. The meeting opened again at 7.30pm. The Parish Council agreed to defer this application, to enable all the Cllrs to have a site meeting, before making their decisions
- 9) **Contribution request from St Edwards re grass cutting** – the Parish Council agreed to contribute £500 (as agreed in the PC's budget 2020/21). The Clerk to write to the Church cashier to ask if they have achieved the best value of money for this doing this work
- 10) **Request from Mr Bolt (FLO) for possible new strimmer update** – it was agreed that the Clerk to make personal contact with Mr. Bolt to clarify a few points on what is required
- 11) **PFA - AGM 19.11.20 via Zoom** – it was agreed that possibly 2 or 3 Cllrs would attend. The Clerk to arrange for the link to be sent to him

MATTERS OF REPORT

Clerk - The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received a letter, but with it being sent anonymously, the Council is unable to acknowledge or respond. Parishioners are very welcome to attend meetings or correspond with the Council, but this must be done personally

The Clerk had received an email from a concerned resident about the new building works, being carried out at Hayne Walk and Chapel Close. It was agreed that he was to write back asking which specific issues were of concern, so that the Council could respond and advise.

Cllr Baker – informed the meeting about an overgrown hedge at 3 Broadway Avenue. This link - <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/> can be used for all parishioners if they wish to report a fault. The Clerk to write to Sedgemoor Homes, asking them to trim back as soon as possible

The Zoom meeting closed at 8.20pm

The next Parish Council is planned for Wednesday 11th November 2020 electronically by Zoom