



**A MEETING OF THE CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ELECTRONICALLY ON ZOOM
On Wednesday 9th September 2020, where the following business was transacted**

Minutes from the meeting

1. **Those Present on Zoom:** Cllrs Hayne, Baker, Aylmer, James, Parsons, Smith – County Cllr M Healey, District Cllr S Kingham and the Clerk – were all online
2. **Apologies for Absence and dispensations:** None
3. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr James re planning 19/20/00011 – District Cllr Kingham re planning re predetermination on planning development committee
4. **Statements by County /District Councilors:** District Cllr Kingham informed the meeting, there have been meetings of Sedgemoor District Council’s Executive and Full Council, to debate the Stronger Somerset Business Case, which proposes two new unitary Councils and a combined authority. The Business Case was recommended unanimously by the Executive and endorsed by the Full Council. County Cllr Healey stated that with the proposed combining of authorities at both County and District level, it would probably mean that more responsibility for all Parish Councils in the future. He informed the meeting of Climate Change grants which will soon be available, Cllr Healey to send the link to the Clerk
5. **Minutes of the “E” Parish Council Meeting held on July 8th 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 September 9th 2020, the banks accounts balances stood at £11,382.20

a)	Clerks Salary – (July and August)	£ 387.94
b)	PAYE for July & August	£ 81.48
c)	Internal Audit (Mr R Young)	£ 20.00
d)	Reimbursement to Chairman re Development meeting in October	£10.40

It was agreed unanimously by the Cllrs to pay the above accounts and the Clerk to pay using the internet bank Unity Trust

8. **Planning:**

19/20/00011 - construction of driveway and turning area from Broadway into front garden – located at 92 Broadway, Chilton Polden TA7 9EQ

The Council agreed unanimously to support this application

19/20/00012 – retrospective application for the erection of a garden room – located at 2 St Edward’s Close, Chilton Polden TA7 9DX

The Council unanimously agreed that a no comment would be recorded

9. **New Bank update:** The Clerk stated that the new bank account had now been in place since May 2020 and the Cllrs agreed it was working well, being much easier to pay the bills. It was agreed to transfer monies from the old account to the new account at the next meeting. The Clerk to apply for all the Cllrs becoming signatories to the new account and the procedure of having a dual manager for the account if the Clerk was absent.

10. **Request from Mr. Bolt (FLO) for possible new strimmer** – Mr. Bolt contacted the Clerk to ask if it were possible for the Parish Council to purchase a new lightweight battery operated strimmer for his work on the footpaths – as the old one is quite heavy and cumbersome. He had forwarded a few quotes for various models. The Clerk to forward the quotes to the Chairman and Cllr Smith and to ask Mr. Bolt where he is using the strimmer along with the density etc. of the brambles/weeds would the new strimmer be able to cut through

MATTERS OF REPORT

There was general discussion with a few topics, which will be added to future agendas.

The Zoom meeting closed at 8.17pm

The next Parish Council is planned for Wednesday 14th October 2020 electronically by Zoom