



CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 7PM ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2023
IN CHILTON POLDEN VILLAGE HALL

MINUTES

1. **Those Present:** Cllrs Baker, Aylmer, Clatworthy, Smith and Perfect-Porter. Cllr Hayne chaired the meeting and acted as Clerk. One parishioner attended.
2. **Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest and dispensations:** Apology for absence from Cllr James.
3. **Statements by County / District Councillors:** The February update from Cllr Healey was shared.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2023:** These were accepted as a true record and agreed unanimously by the Council.
5. **Matter arising (including matters of report from the minutes not itemised below):**
 - 5.1 Paris Council Training: Courses are available from SALC (Somerset Association of Local Councils) and courses will be booked by the Clerk/Chair for councillors to attend.
 - 5.2 30mph signs on Priory Road. These are the wrong size. The Chair/Clerk to contact SCC Highways.
6. **Financial Matters:**
 - a. Parish Online Mapping Inv40UC018-0005 £45 to 21/02/24
 - b. Edington Joinery Ltd balance of Quote 160322 for noticeboard £682.69
(25% payment of £227.57 made on 17/10/22)
 - c. Prior approval to order defibrillator. Cost tbc.All invoices above were supported for payment unanimously by the Council, with a maximum of £2,000 spend authorised for a defibrillator and box.
7. **Planning:** None.
8. **Parking Issue:** A resident had contacted the Council about a vehicle parking at the junction of Goose Lane and Barton Rise, next to the junction and blocking the line of sight. The Council advised the resident to report it to the PCSO team, and the Council will do so as well.
9. **Defibrillator:** The Chair/Clerk reported that the original model selected was out of stock, but will source another model or supplier and go ahead and purchase (as per Financial Matters item 6c).
10. **Coronation Event:** The Council agreed to form a sub-committee to develop a village celebration event for the Coronation. This will be chaired by Cllr Perfect-Porter, with Cllr Smith as vice-chair, and an initial meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd March. A 'Coronation Big Lunch' is being considered as a street party on Sunday 7th May 2023. A commemorative stone has also been proposed for the village.
11. **Annual Village Litter Pick:** The date for this is now Saturday 4th March, from 9am – 12 noon, from the Village Hall. All villagers are welcome to help.
12. **Parish Clerk Vacancy:** The Council would welcome further applicants.

MATTERS OF REPORT

Cllr Baker represented the Council at an online 'Bus Back Better' meeting. This was focused mainly on bus and train links to stations, with an emphasis on Taunton. Comments were that the meeting was poorly managed.

Cllr Smith noted that the rubbish bin at the entrance to the Playing Field was overfull. The Chair/Clerk will contact SDC to see if collections can be increased and/or a dog waste bin installed.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.10pm

Date of next meeting – **WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH 2023 STARTING AT 7PM**