

**CURRY MALLET PARISH COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Curry Mallet Parish Council
On Friday 6 September 2019 at 7.30pm
in the Curry Mallet and Beercrocombe Village Hall, Curry Mallet**

Present: Cllrs. D R Beck, C Hussey, F Wood and W Wilkes-Wood

In attendance: County Councillor C Paul (part time), District Councillor M Cavill and L Gowers (Clerk), 3 members of the public.

1810. To Note Apologies for Absence: None

1811. Public Participation

Two members of the public spoke regarding planning application 19/01752/FUL. They raised concerns regarding:

- Limited parking for the existing properties
- An increase in traffic at the junction of Higher Street and Headwell, which is a blind corner
- The proposal for the location of the hard-standing culvert in Harris Lane
- The potential for flooding to re-occur at Fairholme/Harris Lane.

The Clerk advised them to also send their concerns directly to the planner at South Somerset District Council.

1812. To approve the Minutes of the previous meeting.

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on **Friday 2 August 2019** be **APPROVED**

1813. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Wilkes Wood and Wood declared a personal interest in Agenda item 6, Planning Applications 19/1909/HOU & 19/01910/LBC.

Cllr. Hussey declared a personal interest in Agenda item 6, Planning Application 19/02044/HOU

1814. To receive the Clerks update report

The Clerk reported:

- The rail at Sheepwash had been repaired
- Headwell would be closed to traffic from the junction with Redland Lane, north-eastwards for a distance of 30 metres, from 16 September for 3 days.

1815. To receive a report from County and District Councillors

County Councillor Claire Paul

- The County Council's Health and Wellbeing grant had been renamed the Healthy Living grant. The grant was open until October and the County Councillor would need to make the applications on behalf of the Parish. Once the Parish Council had decided on the

application that they wanted to put forward, the Clerk should complete the form and send to County Cllr. Paul. There would only be 4 successful applications per Councillor.

- The top-dressing program of the highways was almost complete.
- Highways had topped up with grit in readiness for the winter.

District Councillor Malcolm Cavill

Nothing to report

1816. To consider Planning Applications:

19/01752/FUL Fairholme, Higher Street, Curry Mallet. TA3 6SY

19/01753/LBC Demolition of garage and storage building and erection of detached dwelling house and garage

After discussion, Councillors recommend approval although have the following comments:

1. The plans show no parking for the existing cottage and parking for the main house would be much reduced.
2. The proposed culvert on Harris Lane is currently a ford, which floods regularly. The current garage at Fairholme has flooded in the past.
3. Councillors have concerns that the developer states "not known" on the application form with regards to sewerage.
4. The plans state that the new property would be thatch and tile to match the surrounding properties. Neither property surrounding has a tiled roof. Fairholme has a shingle roof.

19/01832/HOU The Bungalow, Top Road, Curry Mallet. TA3 6DW

Removal of roof, chimneys and side extension, extension of roof to incorporate first floor bedrooms and bathroom and single storey side extension.

After discussion, Councillors recommend refusal for the following reasons:

- The extension is not in keeping with surrounding properties
- The proposed building/gable end would completely overshadow the neighbours very small garden, blocking light.

19/01909/HOU Ashtree House, Higher Street, Curry Mallet. TA3 6SU

19/01910/LBC Installation of low profile photo-voltaic solar panels to south facing roof slope of existing shed.

Councillors recommend approval.

19/02044/HOU Pippens, Higher Street, Curry Mallet. TA3 6SY

Replacement/refurbished dormer and an additional dormer to south elevation. 2 new dormers above garage to west elevation and 3 new dormers, porch and new window to north elevation.

Councillors recommend approval.

19/02209/FUL Land adj. Glebe House, Lower Street, Curry Mallet. TA3 6TD (Plot A)

Erection of a detached dwelling with detached garage
Councillors recommend approval but commented that they would prefer to see "heritage style" UPVC windows and a timber front door.

19/02210/FUL **Land adj. Glebe House, Lower Street, Curry Mallet. TA3 6TD (Plot B)**

Erection of a detached dwelling with detached garage
Councillors recommend approval but commented that they would prefer to see hood mouldings on the windows.

1817. The Chairman and Clerk to sign the Parish Council Trust Deed for the Village Hall.

The document was signed and witnessed. The Clerk would contact Mr Godfrey Townrow to discuss the next step.

1818. To consider the size of the sign for the village hall play area and location for fixing.

It was agreed to order an A3 sign and erect it on the fence at the village hall, beside the contacts sheet for the Village Hall and Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to order the sign.

1819. The following payments were approved:

- Jaam Design for Village Hall Play Area. A3 size approved. £111.58
- Laura Gowers for work as Clerk during August. £136.78
- Somerset Association of Local Councils. £84.03
- Councillors requested that the Clerk check the report from The Play Inspection Company to ensure it contained relevant information. Councillors agreed that if the Chairman was happy with the content, he could authorise payment.

(Following the meeting the Clerk and the Chairman re read the report and the Chairman authorised the payment of £66.00 to The Play Inspection Company).

1820. To Approve a donation to West Hatch Scout Group on behalf of Steve Altria for his work as internal auditor to the Parish Council.

It was proposed that a donation of £150 be given to West Hatch Scout Group and it was agreed unanimously.

1821. To approve signatories for the Council bank account with Lloyds.

Cllr Hussey had completed his forms and returned them to the bank. It was agreed that all Councillors should be signatories with the Clerk as delegate.

1822. To receive any other matters of report.

District Cllr. Cavill suggested that as a new Chairman, Cllr. Hussey may find a course helpful. The Clerk would investigate.

Healthy Living Grant: Councillors agreed to meet to discuss the Healthy Living grant application. It was suggested that a bench for people waiting for the community bus would be beneficial.

Cutting of Verges: It was noted by Cllr Wood that Somerset County Council organise one cut of the grass verges and the Parish Council pay for one cut. This year the Parish Council organised the first cut and Highways cut the verge again two weeks later. Cllr Wood suggested that the Parish Council cut is made in September so that the verges are tidy for the autumn/winter.

1823. Date of the next meeting.

FRIDAY 11 October 2019, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Signed:

Dated:

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