

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

**Minutes of the remote meeting of Curry Mallet Parish Council
On Friday 11 December 2020 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs. C Hussey (Chair), D Beck, F Wood and W Wilkes-Wood.

In attendance: L Gowers (Clerk)

20/75 To Note apologies for Absence:

None

20/76 Public Participation

No members of the public in attendance.

20/77 To approve the Minutes of the previous meeting.

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Friday 13 November 2020 be APPROVED.

20/78 Declarations of Interest

None

20/79 To receive updates from the District and County Councillors:

County Councillor Claire Paul had forwarded a County Council brief which had been forwarded to Councillors.

20/80 To Receive the Clerks Update Report:

The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from Hastoe Housing Association. A property in Doble Close was becoming vacant and the Parish Council had been asked if they were aware of any families in need of local rented accommodation.

20/81 Finance:

a) To note that the 2nd quarter bank reconciliations had been completed.

The Clerk reported that Cllrs Woods and Wilkes Woods had verified the 2nd quarter bank reconciliation.

b) To consider the first draft of the budget for 2021/2022

The Clerk explained the first draft of the budget. After a short discussion, Councillors agreed the figures. The budget would be brought back to the January meeting for approval.

c) It was AGREED to approve the payments listed:

Clerks wages: October £121.87

Teapot Creative-Domain renewal: £42.00

HMRC-Employee tax/NI: £29.60

Chris Hussey-repayment for RBL wreath: £17.00

The Clerk explained that a change of tax code was the reason that the Parish Council would now need to pay employee tax and national insurance. There were 3 payments to the Clerk that should have had deductions made and the Clerk would repay the deduction amounts to the Parish Council.

20/82 To receive any matters of report.

Cllr Wood asked if Cllr Hussey had spoken with the farmer regarding the mud and debris on the lanes following hedge cutting. Cllr. Wood also reported that tractors had cut up the grass banks around the village shop and taken a corner off the step at the Manor House. Cllrs agreed that this may have been due to a recent road closure which resulted in the farmer taking a different route to his field. Cllr Hussey agreed to speak with the local farmer.

Councillors discussed the working party to clear the grave site at Chapel House. It was agreed to put a date in the diary: 16 January. The Clerk was asked to advise the owner of the property adjacent to the grave plots.

20/83 Date of the next meeting.

Friday 15 January 2021. 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed:

Dated: