

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

**Minutes of the meeting of Curry Mallet Parish Council**  
**held on July 8<sup>th</sup> 2019, in the Curry Mallet and Beercrocombe Village Hall, Curry Mallet.**

**Present:** Mr P McKeown (Chairman), Mr D R Beck, Mr C Hussey

**Members of the public:** Mrs F Wood, Mr W Wilkes-Wood

**Part-time Attendance:** Cllr M Cavill

**1775. Public Participation Time.**

Tim Frazer enquired about the Trust Deed for the village hall. Mr P McKeown confirmed that this was being dealt with and would be with the VHC shortly.

**1776. To Receive Reports from the District and County Councillors on items that may be of interest.**

Cllr M Cavill, informed the meeting that the Review of the South Somerset Local Plan (2006-2028) would be available at Great Bow Wharf, Langport on the 16<sup>th</sup> July from 16:00 to 19:30, and at The Shrubbery, Ilminster on the 30<sup>th</sup> July from 16:00 to 19:30.

Cllr M Cavill, reported that a modified Pink option had been chosen as the preferred route for the A358 Taunton to Southfields Dualling scheme.

**1777. Declarations of Interest.** None.

**1778. Apologies and reasons for absence.**

Cllr Clare Paul visit other Parish as has 4 on the same day.

**1779. Minutes of previous meetings.**

Minutes of the meeting held on June 10<sup>th</sup> 2019; version 1 was approved, *nem con*, as drafted.

**1780. Matters of report arising from previous meetings.**

1662.2 – The defibrillator has been delivered and is in P. McKeown's house; Adrian (Prolec) has agreed to set it up for free, but a work party may need to be arranged to fit it.

**1781. New Clerk.**

Miss Laura Gowers is confirmed as our new clerk. Need to investigate the change of meeting day to accommodate Laura's availability. The 1st Monday of the month was originally suggested, however this would bring issues re 2 Public Holidays, Village Hall availability and the ability of councillors to attend.

**1778. New Chairperson.**

An extraordinary meeting will be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July to vote in a new Chairperson, as Mr P McKeown is leaving the village and will then become ineligible to remain on the Parish Council.

**1779. Village play area project.**

1779.1 Move Picnic Table / Planting of hedging - VHC have agreed that the picnic table should be unchained and suggest that a team will be needed move the table a few feet away from the fence and then plant the remaining hedge plants.

1701.3 Play area signage – Safety & Responsibility signage will be affixed to the village hall exterior front wall; Jamm Design confirms that one sign (now A4 sized) as current designed, will cost £45.00. A separate laminated sign with contact information for the Village Hall team will be affixed to the post and rail fence. This is to allow changes to contact details be made without having to replace the permanent sign.

### **1780. Footpaths and Right of Way.**

Awaiting response from SCC Rights of Way (George Montague) re repaired rail on L8/24 adjacent to Sheep-wash. This item was logged on SCC interactive mapping on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May this year.

Strimmer – It is proposed that Mr D Beck and Clifford Wood attend a SCC strimmer course to ensure that they are certified to operate a strimmer. Once completed, they would be eligible to use a strimmer with free yearly service from the County to aid maintenance of footpaths etc.

### **1781. Finance.**

Approve invoices & authorisations for payment:

1. Paint and sealant for 6 No., Parish Finger post, by Councillor Dave Beck. 2 Brewers invoices - Cost £83.19 +vat @£16.64 Total £99.83 **AND** £36.86 +Vat @£7.37 Total £44.23 = **£120.05 +Vat @£24.01 Total £144.06**
2. Authorise the payment of £49.00 to register the new Village Hall lease.
3. Pay Samantha Dowell's final salary by cheque, (£148.18) as the Standing Order is now cancelled.
4. Authorise purchase of sign: Jamm Design confirms that one wall sign, as currently designed, will cost £45.00.

This sign will be placed on an external wall of the Village Hall. See Min No

VAT Reclaim status (£1,258.25) Still not arrived in bank. PMcK or Clerk to chase HMRC.

### **1782. Annual return for 2019.**

Finalise AGAR - including sign off of section 2 Accounting Statement.

1758 – Authorise & Sign, Updated Asset Register, to include new items.

1759 – Authorise & Sign, Annual Governance Statement.

### **1783. Planning**

A proposal for a new Agricultural building on land at Rock Hill was examined. The development was agreed in principle but the planned route for track to building was questioned and it was asked whether more trees could be planted to help screen the new building.

### **1784. Agree attendance by Councillors to forthcoming meetings & report on meetings attended.**

Mr D Beck intends to attend a Planning course.

#### **Items of report from members.**

An enquiry about the possibility of a 20mph speed limit for Higher Street was made. This will be investigated,. However Cllr Cavill noted that this has been looked at by other villages and they were told that the whole village would have to be 20Mph and that "20" speed signs would have to be placed on each road in the village.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE TO THE DAY THAT PARISH MEETING WILL NOW BE HELD.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on FRIDAY 13 September, 2019, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.**