

**Minutes of Yeovilton Parish Council held on Tuesday January 12th 2021
via Zoom at 7.30pm.**

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PANELS (CORONAVIRUS) (FLEXIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AND POLICE AND CRIME
PANEL MEETINGS) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2020.**

Present: Mrs. R. S. Jones, Chairman, Mr. D. Board, Mr. B. Barlow, Mr. A. Elliott, Mr. A. Hickman, Mr. R. Luck, Mr. A. Capozzoli, District Councillor, Mr. C. Hull, District Councillor, Mr. M. Lewis, County Councillor, Mr. R. Graydon, CRO, RNAS, Mr. Patrick Young & Mr. David Taylor, Rev. B. Faulkner and Mr. P. Horsington, Clerk.
The meeting was hosted by Mr. R. Luck, who was thanked for all his effort in arranging it.

41. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr. P. Browncey, Mr. P. Rowsell, District Councillor and PC. Stefan Edwards.

42. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on October 13th 2020, having been circulated, were signed as correct.

43. Declarations of Interest

Mrs. Jones declared both personal & prejudicial interests in application 20/02517/FUL at West Farmhouse, Pyle Lane, Yeovilton for extension of existing access track, demolition of old cow stalls, rebuild, alterations and repairs to allow conversion of barns to form 3 units holiday accommodation with associated parking and garden areas.

44. Open Session & County & District Councillors' reports

Mr. Lewis, County Councillor, reported that many members of the staff of the County Council have been seconded to work on the Covid 19 pandemic, whilst others have been furloughed. The contact telephone number being 03007906275.

Mr. Capozzoli, District Councillor, informed the meeting that all the SSDC Area meetings have been cancelled for the next two months.

Mr. Hull, District Councillor reported that he had sent his report and it was confirmed that all members had received a copy. This highlighted how Planning issues were being dealt with in the current situation and that Mr. John Hammond is to be the new Principal Planner, with two new Case officers also starting next week.

M. Hull also highlighted that there is to be a focus on Enforcement issues making this more prominent in cases of serious breaches of the law. The other major issue is that of Phosphates so that this can be 'nutrient neutral'.

It was noted that three weekly recycling with 'Blue bags' will commence on July 21st.

45. RNAS matters, Police, Community & Church matters

Mr. Graydon, RNAS reiterated that works have been carried out by Ancala in the Stockwich area, within RNAS and towards Bridgheampton. Mrs. Jones reported that Mr. Browncey had informed her that recent flooding on the road had drained away within twenty four hours, which was an improvement.

Mr. Graydon reported that a new Executive Officer has been appointed to replace Lt Col N. Brighthouse (XO), and confirmed that RNAS have agreed the opening of an access through the Base in flood situations. Mrs. Jones stated that this information will be posted on the Noticeboard Yeovilton. It was noted that this has been added onto the Parish Council's website.

Rev. Faulkner informed the meeting that the Christmas service had been held outside, at St. Peter's, Podimore. There is a conflict between Government advice and the Church of England reference holding Services and it has been agreed to suspend Services at St. Peter's for the present.

The Council noted that the consultation on the addition of Limington Parish with Yeovilton with residents of each Parish, will be delayed due to the Pandemic.

46. Planning matters

Mrs. Jones welcomed Mr. Patrick Young & Mr. David Taylor to the meeting to hear their ideas for future development on Land north of Dragon Fly Chase. The members had all received copies of their outline proposals for the area beyond the present development, prior to the meeting, which would consist of lakes and Countryside park, this being a ten year project. There would be some 200 housing development as well. Mr. Young informed the meeting that he wished to leave a legacy to the area, having owned & farmed the land for about 100 years. Mr. Young took the meeting through the presentation, with questions being taken as each was shown. Mr. Taylor took the meeting through the issue of traffic, walkers and cycle proposals. In response to a query from Mr. Barlow, Mr. Taylor stated that it is intended to promote walking & cycling along the Old Fosse way. At present, there are no detailed design drawings reference access and exit to & from the new area.

Mr. Luck highlighted the issue of vehicles competing with walker & cyclists on the B.3151.

Mr. Board stated that the new proposals could provide a shortcut from the B.3151 to Somerton avoiding Taranto Hill & the Schools if there is an access from the B.3151.

Mr. Capozzoli indicated that the two existing schools could be amalgamated within this area, as well as providing a Surgery & Scout hut. Rev. Faulkner stated that it would be marvellous if it could be achieved, but cautioned that SCC would have to be in agreement and consulted, as there could be restricted covenants on their existing sites.

Mr. Board asked what drainage plans were being proposed for the site, as there are pumps by the A.303 to deal with sewage & water disposal and in which direction will the water flow. Mr. Taylor stated that there are a series of ditches on the site to deal with surface water, and Wessex Water are upgrading the sewage system along the Old Fosse way. Mr. Young stated that it the intention to improve the water management on the site.

Mrs. Jones thanked Mr. Young & Mr. Taylor for their presentation and for answering the queries raised.

The Council noted that application 20/01996/S73 at Pilgrims, Weir Lane to remove planning condition 4 (agricultural tie) of approval 781603 had been granted at Area East Committee.

The Council noted that there was no decision for application 20/02512/OUT on Land adjoining Pilgrims, Weir Lane Outline application with all matters reserved apart from access for the erection of 2 No. detached dwellings.

The Council noted that there was no decision for application 20/03406/S73 at Stockwich Court, Stockwich to remove planning condition No. 6 (residential annexe tie) of approval 06/04038/COU to enable annexe to be used as a separate dwelling

The Council noted that there was no decision for application 20/03188/HOU at Wingfield, Bridgehampton Road for the erection of 2 No. single storey extensions to rear of dwelling (retrospective).

Having declared Interests in application 20/02517/FUL at West Farmhouse, Pyle Lane, Yeovilton for extension of existing access track, demolition of old cow stalls, rebuild, alterations and repairs to allow conversion of barns to form 3 units holiday accommodation with associated parking and garden areas. Mrs. Jones left the meeting, and Mr. Board took the Chair. The Council discussed the application in great detail, and it was agreed to support the application adding the proviso that it remains as is in the application for Holiday lets.

Mrs. Jones returned to the meeting.

47. Financial matters

The Council noted that the balances as at 29/12/20 were in the Current A/c £559.84p and £5,006.56p in the B/P Account.

Payments received – £0.14 Bank interest

Payments made

10/11/20	100434	£150	Vision ICT support 2021/22
08/12/20	100435	£309.30	P. Horsington salary & expenses
12/01/21	100436	£66	HMRC paye tax
12/01/21	100437	£100	FAA Memorial Church Fund
12/01/21	100438	£100	St. Peter's Podimore

The above payments were authorised and the cheques signed.

The Council considered the Budget & Precept, with Mr. Barlow setting out the details.

On the proposition of Mr. Barlow, seconded by Mr. Board, the Council approved the budget and agreed an increase of £400 to the existing Precept to cover the hire of a VAS device. The Precept amount being £3,900 for 2021/22.

48. Highway matters

Mr. Luck reported that he had contacted the Chair of Martock, Mr. Neil Bloomfield, and in principle one can be hired from Martock at a charge of £100 per fortnight. This action was approved. After discussion, it was agreed to potentially hire the VAS up to six times during the next twelve months.

49. Flooding issues

The Council noted the comments made earlier that the water on the road from Stockwich had drained away within 24 hours, this being an improvement.

50. Tree matters

It was noted that there is a tree in the river Yeo below Locum bridge, and this is to be reported to the Environment Agency.

51. Rights of Way.

Mr. Luck informed the meeting that repairs had been done on a bridge in Yeovilton. It was reported that this had been carried out by members of the Blackmore Vale Hunt. It was noted that this bridge is scheduled for repair by SSC.

Mr. Elliott highlighted that the area by a gate on a Right of Way had subsided, making it difficult to open. It was agreed that this will be remedied.

52. Correspondence

The Council noted the Somerset Waste Partnership updates, which have been circulated to all members.

53. Items for report, or for the agenda of the next meeting

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on February 9th 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom, due to the Covid 19 rules.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all for taking part and declared the meeting closed at 9.12 pm.

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