

## **BISHOPS TAWTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs: L. Geen (Chair); J. Pay (Vice-Chair); S. Barber; P. Boulton; C. Verney; C. Lewis & D. Down

**Also Present:** J. Johnson (Clerk); NDC Cllrs G. Lane and D. Luggar

**Apologies:** Cllr P. Leaver & DCC Cllr R. Edgell

**In Attendance:** 3 Parishioners/Members of the Public

### **129 PARISHIONERS OPEN SESSION**

The Water Board have looked at the leak by 2 The Square Bishops Tawton and assurances are that it isn't a sewerage problem. They are looking into it.

#### **Underpass Update**

Alternatives to the costly Underpass would be more appropriate suggestions favoured Toucan Traffic Light system only stopping traffic when requested. Meeting on Monday with David Black Head of Devon Highways. Send email to Devon Highways with concerns

### **130 MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting dated 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair

### **131 MATTERS ARISING**

It was decided to write to the occupants of Ranally House regarding the noise levels.

Speeding signs in the village that aren't working – Reporting to North Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee ahead of meeting at the Meeting Rooms, Taw View, North Walk, Barnstaple on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am

### **132 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest announced.

### **133 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr G. Lane reported the date of the next HATOC meeting as 15<sup>th</sup> March

### **134 REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Cllr R. Edgell not in attendance

### **135 FINANCIAL REPORT**

A letter was produced and signed by all attending Parish Councillors addressed to the Bank requesting forms to implement necessary changes to the "Authority to Operate the Bank Account" until this is complete all Financial Reports/Transactions cannot be created. The Chair will take the signed letter to the Bank as soon as possible.

### **136 PLANNING**

66009 2 Fair View – it was announced that this is in for planning again via a email from Cllr P. Leaver. It was reported that no correspondence was found regarding the initial refusal. It was decided to query this new planning via Cllr. P. Leaver

66146 – No problems were highlighted, trees in question are not native and do not create a visual impact –  
**RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL**

No Decisions noted

### **137 TIDY-UP DAY**

Next tidy-up day this Saturday at 9.30am starting with the drain problems at the bottom of Codden Hill. Tidy-Up days to be every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month.

### **138 Dog Bins/Dog Warden**

Still awaiting appropriate signage from the Dog Warden re: Dog Fouling

Prices regarding new Dog Bin presented £103 - £300 (depending on size, material composition etc). There were discussions regarding cost and use of bin at the Hospice. It was voted 6-1 that better use of that bin would be more appropriately needed at the location of the bin that has been damaged. A letter should be drawn up to the Newport Parish Council (John Matthews) informing them of the situation.

### **139 PLAYING FIELD UPDATE**

The Insurance Company is in the process of dealing with the previously mentioned claim. A Play Company has been to see the Zip Wire and will report their findings.

### **140 HIGHWAYS**

All potholes and uneven road surfaces had been reported. And will continue to report them if no action is taken.

### **141 BT PHONE BOX**

Prices are still being sought after

### **142 ABANDONED CAR**

This has been reported will do so again if no action is taken

### **143 CUPBOARD FOR PC RECORDS**

Awaiting quotes coming back but measurements taken

### **144 NOTICEBOARDS**

Quotes were presented but not given as copies hadn't been taken. Further quotes were in the process of being sought

### **145 LAPTOP/PRINTER/ WORD/EXCEL PACKAGES**

Quotes for Laptops & Printers were presented and passed around to Cllrs. Word/Excel packages currently cost £59.99 per year

### **146 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

It was decided to send to Judith Dark and request 9 copies of the Nomination Packs for the forthcoming Council Elections.

The SW Heritage Trust donation will have to be on hold as we can't access the bank account until forms completed appropriately

Invoice from J & J Bins £43.33 dated 28/12/18

#### **147 FLOOD PLAN**

The flood plan was found since the last meeting. It was suggested that a designated person be responsible for implementing necessary liaison with various bodies regarding the Flood Plan ie., Fire Department, Environmental Agency, etc

#### **148 WEB SITE**

The Web Site is now back in use and minutes, agenda etc have been posted to it. However the site does need to be updated with intro information etc. This was felt something that can be done after the next elections in May 2019

#### **149 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

Contacting E.A. re: Flood Plan; Noticeboard Update; Bank/Financial Situation Update

#### **150 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted and agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held in the Village Hall on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm

**CHAIR**

**Meeting Closed At 8:44pm**