

MONKTON COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held as a Remote Meeting via ZOOM on 22nd March 2021 at 3.30pm

		Parish Council Members Present: Cllr. Lyn Alvis, Cllr. Adelle Brenner, Cllr Gavin Douglas, Cllr. Andreea Imecs, Cllr. Mike Wareham, Cllr. Des Wighton, Mr. Geoff Davis – Clerk. Others Present: Ward Cllr. Neil Butters																																							
1	541	To receive apologies for absence. Cllr. James Bradby unable to attend due to technical issues.																																							
2	542	Declarations of interest and dispensations – None.																																							
3	543	Confidential Matters - None																																							
4	544	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25th January 2021 were approved and signed by the clerk at the direction of the Chairman.																																							
5	545	Financial Matters RFO Report and Payments for Approval - The RFO Report was received, noted and signed by the clerk and Cllr. Andreea Imecs. Cllr. Des Wighton queried the Bank Interest which is much lower than budget. The Clerk confirms that interest rates have been dramatically reduced during the year and the reduced income is correct. The 2021-22 budget figures for interest will be reviewed in the light of these revised rates. Expenditure on the replacement battery and replacement pads for the defibrillator was also highlighted. The clerk reported that the pads lasted about three years, the last replacement being September 2018. This is the first time the battery has been replaced since installation of the defibrillator in 2016.																																							
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548	Payments for Approval at Meeting on 24th March 2021 None																																								
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549	Coronavirus Civil Emergency – It was reported that there are no cases in the school and otherwise there are no matters of concern at present. Equipment and Facilities – Checks by Councillors.																																								
550	Village Hall – There are two educational groups booking the village hall so there is a gradual return to normal.																																								
551	Village Playground – The playground remains open as per regulations, and hand sanitizer stations have been installed. The February Operational Inspection report has been received with only minor defects identified and all of these are being attended to (Power wash floor, replace swing seat, move bench).																																								
552	Broadband Improvements for Monkton Combe – Connection to the Truespeed network continues to roll out across the village with most connections now made.																																								
553	Neighbourhood Watch/Police Liaison – Nothing specific to report.																																								

	554	Phone Box Church Lane / Mill Lane Junction – The backboard, shelves, maps and books have all been put in place and the book exchange, including jigsaws is functioning. The parish Council thanks those who have donated some maps.
	555	Bus Shelter – No further progress to report. The chair will chase B&NES regarding the potential relocation, as will Ward Cllr. Neil Butters.
	556	Grit Bins – All well supplied and being used.
	557	Miss Davies Garden – Jeff Avis has resumed maintenance works and completed the annual maintenance, the chair will discuss further improvements with him.
	558	Councillor Vacancy – Cllr. Gavin Douglas having moved from the village into Bath is wishing to resign from the Council in the near future. The Parish Council are therefore seeking a potential replacement.
7		<p>Planning <u>Applications Received</u></p> <p>559 20/02707/FUL - Woodlands, Warminster Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7BN - Demolition of existing 3 bedroom dwelling and associated outbuildings. Erection of replacement 5 bedroom dwelling, detached double garage and associated landscape, drainage and external works. Revised Site Plan As the revision represents a reduction in the overall volume of the build, the Parish Council has no further comment to make.</p> <p>560 <u>PLANNING DECISIONS by B&NES & WILTSHIRE</u> 20/04981/TCA - The Old Mill, Mill Lane, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HD - Fir (T1-2) reduce by 5m to reduce exposure to wind. Yew (T3) reduce by 3m and lift crown to maintain healthy growth Holly (T4) lift crown by 3m to reduce interference with main residence. Ash (T5) fell because of excessive shading and structural root interference. Ash (T6-7) pollard to 5m in keeping with existing hedge dimensions. Ash (T8) fell as growing at angle out of bank (with potential to drop dead branches) amongst other ash growing vertically. NO OBJECTION 20/04787/FUL - 7 The Croft, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HQ - Erection of a single story side and rear extension following demolition of existing rear lean-to and associated works. PERMITTED 21/00228/CLPU - Hillcrest, Warminster Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HY - Proposed installation of fenestration & conversion of undercroft into habitable room. LAWFUL</p> <p>561 <u>Decisions Pending</u> 20/04652/FUL - Mulberry House, Summer Lane, Combe Down, Bath BA2 7EU - Alterations and extension to existing dwelling and erection of garage. 21/00136/FUL - Shaft House, Shaft Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HN - Refurbishment of existing dwelling including removed conservatory, replacement side extension, new first floor extension and roof dormer 20/02707/FUL - Woodlands, Warminster Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7BN - Demolition of existing 3 bedroom dwelling and associated outbuildings. Erection of replacement 5 bedroom dwelling, detached double garage and associated landscape, drainage and external works. 20/04025/FUL - Llanbobl, Parcel 3131 Tucking Mill Lane, Midford, Bath - Provision of hard surface with associated drainage for access (Retrospective) (Revision and resubmission of 19/03358/FUL).</p> <p>562 <u>PLANNING APPEALS</u> - None</p> <p>563 <u>ENFORCEMENT UPDATE</u> – 19/00243/UNDEV - Parcel 3131 Tucking Mill Lane Midford Bath - Creation of hardstanding area and Retrospective Planning Application 19/03358/FUL has been Refused. A further retrospective application has been submitted :- 20/04025/FUL</p> <p><u>Other Planning Matters to Report</u></p> <p>564 Polytunnel on the old driving range at the top of Shaft Rd – It was reported that it is a temporary structure only, it has been reduced in size and it is being moved around.</p>
8	565	<p>Highways and Footpaths.</p> <p>Trollopes Hill – Parking Problems and proposals for Yellow Line restrictions – A scheme has been agreed with B&NES Highways to provide narrow double yellow lines on a limited length of the road where parking would obstruct access to residents driveways. The scheme has also been agreed by the residents. It is due for implementation in the next financial year, probably during the summer period. The Parish Council does not agree with applying Parking Restrictions using Yellow Lines in this rural lane, as they consider them inappropriate and unnecessary for much of the lane, which is sufficiently wide for people to park safely. It is thought that the longer term parking arises from fixed moorings arising from the lockdown</p>

	566	Highways – Cllr. Mike Wareham reported that some large cracks had appeared in the road and adjoining wall supporting the highway on Brassknocker Hill. He will take some photos when the next safe opportunity arises and report the matter on FixMyStreet.
	567	Cleveland Bridge Closure – Ward Cllr. Neil Butters has been discussing the signage for the closure of Cleveland Bridge with B&NES Highways. He has circulated two e-mails for discussion.
	568	Footpaths – Cllr. Andreea Imecs reported that she had been challenged by a member of the school staff when walking through the Mill Yard when both gates were open. Cllr. Adelle Brenner will discuss with the school in regard to appropriate signage to indicate what access is permissible.
9	569	Reports PARISH LIAISON MEETING - Next Meeting 24th March 2021 VPA, Bath Preservation Trust & any other Meetings – Nothing further of note. Bath Preservation Trust – The chair attended instead of Cllr. Lyn Alvis. There was nothing of concern to report.
10		Correspondence Received – None
11		Other matters to report - None
12	570	Date of Next Meetings - These were confirmed as:- Annual Parish Meeting: Tuesday May 18th 2021 – To be held in the Village Hall at 7:30 p.m. Electors will be invited to attend remotely, as will any councillor wishing to do so. A further Parish Meeting will be held later in the year when CoronaVirus restrictions have been fully lifted, and a meaningful meeting with the Parish can take place. Annual Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday May 25th 2021 - To be held in the Village Hal at 7:30 p.m. Electors wishing to attend will be able to do so remotely, as will any councillor wishing to do so.

Meeting Closed at 17:03