

MONKTON COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held in the Village Hall on 21st March 2023 at 7.30pm**

		Parish Council Members Present: Cllr Lyn Alvis, Cllr. James Bradby, Cllr. Adelle Brenner, Cllr Penny Tranter, Cllr. Mike Wareham, Cllr Des Wighton, Mr. Geoff Davis – Clerk. Others Present: - Ward Cllr. Neil Butters
1	933	To receive apologies for absence – Cllr Charles Carr
2	934	Declarations of interest and dispensations – None.
3	935	Confidential Matters – The Parish Council resolved to exclude the public and the press for:- Item 14 on the agenda - EA/2022/0254; Monkton Combe Parish Council vs Information Commissioner
4	936	Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 17th January 2023. Approved and signed by the Chairman.
5		Financial Matters
	937	RFO Report and Payments for Approval - The RFO Report was received, noted and signed by the clerk and the Chair.
	938	Bank Balances as at 01.03.2023
		Current Metro Bank £767.19 Bath Building Society £9,366.34 Metro Bank Savings £2,006.87 Bath Building Society (Miss Davis) £11,795.35
	939	Receipts since meeting on 17th January 2023
		MCPC-Int Bath Building Society MCPC Interest £34.46 MissD-Int Bath Building Society Miss Davis Interest £43.67 VATR HMRC Vat Reclaim 2021-2022 £503.63 4 Monkton Combe School Innox Drung Handrail £1,893.00 5 B&NES Council PROW Church Drung Handrail £450.00
	940	Payments approved as standing payments or at meeting on 17th January 2023 which have now been made.
		ChurchLight St Michaels Church Churchyard Light Electricity 25.00 MCPC 4931 Jeff Avis November Works 180.00 MCPCjan23 Mr G Davis Parish Clerk 1/1/23 to 28/01/23 255.76 MCPCVlgeClnJan Ian Croker Village Cleaning jan 2023 351.65 120PH002922852310 HMRC Month 10 Paye 64.00 SI-1395 C&R Fencing Ltd New Handrail on Drung 2271.60 ChurchLight St Michaels Church Churchyard Light Electricity 25.00 MCPC 4931 Jeff Avis November Works 180.00 MCPCjan23 Mr G Davis Parish Clerk 1/1/23 to 28/01/23 255.76 MCPCVlgeClnJan Ian Croker Village Cleaning jan 2023 351.65 120PH002922852310 HMRC Month 10 Paye 64.00 MCPCDrungWall StoneKraft Restoration Resetting Handrail - Church Drung 450.00 3493 MCPC Swan Management Svcs Parish Clerk 29/1/23 to 25/02/23 360.00 MCPCFeb23 Mr G Davis Parish Clerk 29/1/23 to 25/02/23 255.76 MCPCVlgeClnFeb Ian Croker Village Cleaning Feb 2023 351.65 120PH002922852311 HMRC Month 11 Paye 64.00 PrintCartridge Mr. G Davis CartridgeSave Print Cartridge 75.02
	941	Payments for Approval at Meeting on 21st March 2023 NONE
6.	942	Parish Council Matters Elections 4th May 2023 – The Clerk gave a briefing on the process and assisted with the completion of the Nomination Packs & Preparation of Nomination Papers

7.	<p>Parish Matters and Works</p> <p>Parish Council Equipment and Facilities – Checks by Councillors.</p> <p>943 Village Playground – Some stones have been knocked out of the wall by a vehicle strike, and will be repaired shortly.</p> <p>944 Neighbourhood Watch – It was reported that there have been a number of lost pets.</p> <p>Lockup Repairs – No actions to report.</p> <p>945 Drung Handrails – It was reported that all works are complete, grants received and works paid for. It was mentioned that the steps would benefit from having the white lines repainted.</p> <p>946 Bus Shelter – The West of England Combined Authority have now indicated that they will not take on responsibility for the Bus Shelter, only its route management.</p> <p>Miss Davis Garden – Nothing to report.</p> <p>947 Tucking Mill Toads – The meeting heard what a success the initiative had achieved this year.</p> <p>948 Website and IT Upgrades – The Clerk will discuss the systems with the Internal Auditor and bring proposals to the new Council. The re-build of the website with up to-date software was considered very successful.</p> <p>949 Village Hall – Replacement Windows – The VHMC are following this through with a survey and detailed quote, which is expected to be accepted.</p>
8.	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>Applications Received</u></p> <p>950 23/00635/CLEU - Golf Course, Combe Grove, Brassknocker Hill, Monkton Combe, Bath - Change of use of land from a golf driving range (ancillary to C1 hotel use) to horticulture/agriculture, including a kitchen garden and grazing land (Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use). No Comment</p> <p>951 <u>PLANNING DECISIONS by B&NES & WILTSHIRE</u></p> <p>23/00116/TCA - Land At Combe Grange, Shaft Road, Monkton Combe, Bath - Cherry (T1) - Reduce by 2m. Ash (G1) approx. 8 - fell due to having die back. - No Objection</p> <p>22/05127/FUL - Monkton Combe Prep School, Church Road, Combe Down, Bath BA2 7ET - Erection of a timber shelter to be used for outdoor recreation. Re-profiling of the existing grass bank to provide tiered grass seating areas for use in association with an outdoor theatre space and installation of footpath. Permitted</p> <p>22/04684/FUL - The Manor House, Mill Lane, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HD - Erection of extension to replace existing conservatory. Demolition of modern rear extension and replacement with new roofed structure with open sides. Permitted</p> <p>22/03480/REM - Oldfield Rugby Football Club, Shaft Road, Monkton Combe, Bath - Variation of conditions 1 attached to permission 12/04276/VAR (Variation of condition 1 and 2 of application 11/00821/VAR (Variation of condition 3 of application 09/01859/FUL to amend the hours of use (Erection of single storey extensions and porch)). Withdrawn</p> <p>952 <u>Decisions Pending</u></p> <p>22/04505/FUL - Mount Pleasant Quarry, Mount Pleasant, Monkton Combe, Bath - Erection of four dwellings and associated access, landscaping works and ancillary development following demolition of existing buildings, retention of two buildings as bat roosts.</p> <p>22/01630/FUL - De Montalt Mill, Summer Lane, Combe Down, Bath - Conversion of modern hipped roof to flat roof terrace</p> <p>22/03749/VAR - Combe Grove , Brassknocker Hill, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HS - Variation of condition 7 (Plans List) of application 20/03553/FUL (The reconfiguration of the existing car park and associated landscaping works to provide mitigation, biodiversity and to improve the sense of arrival to Combe Grove via the principal entrance. (Resubmission))</p> <p><u>PLANNING APPEALS</u> - None</p> <p><u>ENFORCEMENT UPDATE</u> - Nothing further to report</p> <p><u>Other Planning Matters to Report</u></p> <p>953 <u>New Local Plan - Parish/Town Council Engagement Workshops</u> - Reports have been circulated.</p>
9.	<p>Highways and Footpaths.</p> <p>954 <u>Water running across Brassknocker hill and freezing'</u> – It was reported that drainage Works have been taking place to remedy the problem.</p> <p>955 <u>A36 Limpley Stoke - Southbound footpath embankment failure</u> – It is reported that further works are taking place from February 2023</p>

10.	956 957 958 959 960	<p>Reports</p> <p>PARISH LIAISON MEETING – The Council heard about the Demand Responsive Transport scheme being introduced by WECA. Overall that was not much confidence that the scheme would deliver the transport required.</p> <p>VPA – The VPA is now wound up and the subscriptions returned to the Parish.</p> <p>BathAvon Area Forum – Minutes of the meeting 8th March 2023 have been circulated</p> <p>Bath Preservation Trust & any other Meetings – The Environs meeting is the same evening as this meeting. The Dark Skies issue at the University is to be discussed.</p> <p>School – The meeting took place the previous day. Cllr. Penny Tranter raised the continuing problems of Hockey Balls being hit out of the School on Mill Lane and loud music played at various times.</p>
11.	961	<p>Correspondence Received</p> <p>Consultation on Cotswolds National Landscape Draft Revised Neighbourhood Plan Position Statement University of Bath Planning Application NO: 22/04720/FUL – Dark Skies Issues Letter regarding the changes to Bus Services and the introduction of the DRT</p>
12.	962	<p>Other matters to report</p> <p>Bus 94 Service Update – No further progress to report and it seems likely that the Bus will continue to turn at junction with Shaft Road for the time being.</p>
13.	963	<p>Date of Next Meetings</p> <p>Annual Parish Meeting: Tuesday April 18th 2023 7:30 Annual Parish Council Meeting: Monday May 15th 2023 7:30 – All Councillors agreed their availability.</p>
14.	964	<p>EA/2022/0254; Monkton Combe Parish Council vs Information Commissioner (ICO Case Reference: IC-160435-H5M4). The Clerk reported that the final Appeal submission has been agreed following Direction from the Registrar and this has now been submitted.</p>

Meeting Closed at 21:20