

## CLERK'S REPORT – 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024

### **Financial Matters – Agenda Item 5**

You are required to formally approve the Pay Increases and Backpay for the Clerk and Parish Sweeper. Please see RFO Report for figures.

### **Parish Matters and Works – Agenda Item 6**

**Parish Sweeper** – Elise Rowley has now completed her Three Month Probationary period very satisfactorily and is proving to be an excellent employee. You should instruct the Clerk to write to her to confirm her satisfactory completion of this Probationary Period, and that her contract is now confirmed as permanent employment.

### **Equipment and Facilities – Checks by Councillors to report**

- **Car Park - Charging point installation** – Any Report on progress
  - **Abandoned Vehicle** - Report
- **Village Playground** – Any Report
- **Neighbourhood Watch** - Any Report
- **Lockup** – Any further report on the Notification of Application to Amend a Designation Listing.
- **Miss Davies Garden**
- **Village Hall**
- **Portrait of HM The King.**

**Wheelwrights Public House** – Any further report.

### **Highways and Footpaths – Agenda Item 8**

**A36 Closure – Impacts on Tucking Mill Lane and elsewhere.** Residents of Tucking Mill Lane report severe congestion, aggressive driving, confrontation and accidents. This matter having been pursued vigorously by the Chair, the Clerk, and Ward Cllr. Fiona Gourley, without much action from National Highways other than increased signage.

**Brassknocker Hill Speed Limits and Weight Restrictions** – No progress possible for the time being whilst A36 is closed.

**Shaft Road - Tarmac drive extension protruding into road** – Report on any progress from last meeting

**Combe Down Allotments** – A Report on the current situation regarding closure. They have now been given formal notice to leave by B&NES Council.

### **Reports – Agenda Item 9**

**School** – Any Report

- It is also reported that the condition of the Ash Trees along the Clank and parallel footpath appears to pose a possible risk to Public Safety due to Ash Die back.

### **Correspondence Received – Agenda Item 10**

**The Somersetshire Coal Canal Restoration Policy** – This correspondence has been received outlining the ambition to restore the entire length of the canal.

### **Other Matters to Report – Agenda Item 11**

**New development at Mount Pleasant**

- Street Name proposed – Pipistrelle Close
- Mount pleasant Residents construction traffic concerns

The poor condition due to flooding of Footpath BA16/12 (Brassknocker Hill to Dundas) – Further report from the Clerk.

### **Dates for Future Meetings – Agenda Item 12**

To confirm dates for the coming year all at 7:00 p.m. other than the Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Budget & Precept meeting (Precept deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025).

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 7:30 p.m. Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Annual Parish Council Meeting (Audit and Annual Return).