

CHURCH MINSHULL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 09 JANUARY 2024

PRESENT:

Cllr Bob Schiller (Chair), Cllr Tim Boote, Cllr Brian Charlesworth, Cllr Jill Dobson, Cllr Jacqui Groos, Cllr Nigel Lewis and Cllr Mark Smith

23/063 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Borough Cllr Posnett.

23/064 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

23/065 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2023

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and correct record.

23/066 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report.

23/067 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present.

23/068 FLOODING AND RIVER POLLUTION

Councillors noted that this was a countrywide issue and despite previous efforts, little progress had been made from lobbying the agencies' responsible.

23/069 ROAD ISSUES

Cllr Schiller provided an update from a meeting attended by the Police and Crime Commissioner. It was hoped that speed cameras would be provided as part of a speed monitoring exercise.

Concern was expressed at the condition of the roads with numerous potholes throughout the village. Cllr Smith expressed concern at a street lighting issue and would raise these with the Borough Councillor.

23/070 VILLAGE HALL REDEVELOPMENT

Cllr Boote raised the importance in increasing the number of people supporting the development project. The next phase of the project was to obtain the finance, which would be time consuming. It was suggested that a village meeting should be held to encourage support.

23/071 VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS

It was noted that the dog bin required replacement and the Clerk was asked to review the provision of a metal bin.

23/072 CLIMATE CHANGE/BIODIVERSITY

A Village meeting would be arranged to discuss this matter further.

23/073 FINANCE REPORT

1) Report

Councillors reviewed the Finance report which identified that there was currently £6,487 in the Council's bank accounts and the forecast outturn was £4,541.

2) Payments

RESOLVED – that the following payment be approved:

Payee	Reason	Total	VAT	Net
St Bart's PCC	Room Hire	35.00		35.00
HMRC	PAYE Q3	352.80		352.80

3) Budget and Precept 2024/25

The Clerk circulated the draft budget and precept analysis for 2023/24. The budget included a sum for the provision of a Speed Indicator Device. It was noted that a precept of £6,500 equated to 60p per week at a Band D property.

RESOLVED – that:-

- i) the budget be agreed in the sum of £10,286; and
- ii) the precept be agreed in the sum of £6,500.

23/074 COUNCILLORS' ITEMS

1) Tree Felling

Cllr Smith advised that he had received a holding response from the Forestry Commission regarding the felling of trees on land off Eachus Lane. It was noted that the landowner had a licence to fell trees.

23/075 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 05 March 2024