

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY 2017 AT 7PM.

PRESENT: Cllrs Habberfield, Bradshaw, Herbert, Pix, DC Sue Steele, the Clerk and 5 members of the Public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: None
2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN. Cllr Habberfield was elected Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bradshaw, seconded by Cllr Pix. Cllr Habberfield signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was witnessed by the Clerk.
3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN AND FINANCIAL OFFICER. Cllr Herbert was elected Vice-Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Pix and seconded by Cllr Bradshaw. Cllr Bradshaw was elected Financial Officer. Proposed by Cllr Pix and seconded by Cllr Herbert. All Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms which were witnessed by the Clerk.
4. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST APCM HELD ON Wednesday 25th May 2016 were read and signed as a correct record.
5. STANDING ORDERS. Cllr Bradshaw, as Financial Officer, proposed that the Council have a second signature for on line BACs payments. This was agreed and Cllr Pix was willing to become the second signatory. Other Standing Orders and regular items for the agenda to remain the same.
6. CLERKS FEES. Cllr Bradshaw, as Financial Officer, advised that he would report as to the Clerks entitlement at the July Parish Council Meeting as the hourly rates are due to alter shortly.

Meeting closed at 7.10pm

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MINUTES OF THE ISLE ABBOTTS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY 2017 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs Habberfield, Bradshaw, Herbert, Pix, the Clerk, DC Sue Steele and 6 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** None
2. **There were no DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**
3. The **MINUTES** of the last meeting held on Wednesday 1st March 2017 were read and approved..
4. **MATTERS ARISING:** a) Ditch clearance at Badbury. The Clerk had e-mailed CC LeHardy again but had not received a reply. However, through the village newsletter, residents had been reminded of their obligations to keep ditches clear and hedges trimmed.
5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:** DC Sue Steele notified those present about the open gardens event due to take place shortly in order to raise funds for an MRI Scanner at Musgrove Hospital. Also, the Parish Council were asked to consider making a donation towards this cause. A decision on this would be made at the next meeting.
6. **ROADS AND FOOTPATHS:** Cllr Herbert reported that a comprehensive list of road defects had been submitted to Highways and that a further list would be made shortly on those from Red Post to Gravel Lane. Cllr Habberfield had nothing to report on Footpaths.
7. **FLOODING:** Cllr Herbert had nothing to report. Cllr Habberfield was concerned at the lack of jointing to the stonework under Two Bridges archway..
8. **FINANCE:** a) Cllr Bradshaw produced the annual governance statement for 2016/17 which was approved by the Council and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk. b) The annual accounting statements for 2016/17 were also approved and duly signed by the Chairman. c) The 2017/18 year to date financial position was also approved. d) Cllr Bradshaw produced the financial statement up to 03/05/17. Current account £655.96. Deposit account £4,350.55. Total £5,006.51.(This includes the £1,690.00 precept payment) Payments approved : Clerks fees £78.40: HMRC(PAYE) £19.60. £1,000.00 had been transferred from the current account to the deposit account. Cllr Bradshaw wished it to be placed on record the Councils thanks to Mrs Liz Lockley for carrying out the internal audit.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Planning application 16/05444/COL. No decision had been made on Mr Gordon J Fisher's application for a lawful development certificate for the existing use of Ashford Old Barn as a C3 Dwelling house. Application 17/00905/FUL + 17/00906/LBC. Permission has been granted to E.J.Habberfield for a single storey rear extension and porch to front elevation (retrospective) at Northalls Farmhouse. Application 17/01365/TCA . Permission granted for tree surgery work at 2,Church Street. A letter has been received from David Warburton MP asking the Parish Council to make a contribution towards a feasibility study regarding a proposed new railway station at Somerton or Langport. His request was rejected by Councillors. The Clerk had received an e-mail from Janet Smith, Isle Abbots Village Hall Management Committee Secretary, requesting for a Representative from the Parish Council to be on the IAVH Management Committee. After much discussion on Trustee status, Cllr Habberfield volunteered to be the Parish Council's Representative. As Steve Morris had resigned as a Councillor, a vacancy now exists on the Parish Council. The appropriate notice had been placed on the website and Parish notice board and the Clerk would hear from the SSDC Principal Electoral Services Officer on or shortly after Monday 9th May if any persons had put their name forward for election. If not, then the vacancy would be filled by co-option.
- 10 **ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:** a) Contribution to Musgrove MRI Scanner. b) Clerks fees.
- 11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 5th July 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm

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MINUTES OF THE ISLE ABBOTTS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY 2017 AT 8PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Persons Present: Mr Habberfield(Chair), Mr Herbert, Mr Bradshaw, Mr & Mrs Pix, Mr Robson(Minute Secretary), Mrs Boyman, Mr & Mrs Lockley, Mr & Mrs Rickitt, Mrs Robson, Mrs Steele.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mr Sutcliffe.
2. MINUTES of last year's APM (4th May 2016) were read and approved.
3. MATTERS ARISING: None.
4. REPORTS were given by Village Hall, Parish Council, Singing Group, Parochial Church Council, Bellringers and Walking Group. Reports available from the Parish Council Clerk.
5. ANY OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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