

MINUTES OF THE ISLE ABBOTTS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3rd JULY 2019 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs Habberfield, Bradshaw, Hughes, Richards, the Clerk, CC Adam Dance, DC Malcolm Cavill and
2 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr Pix
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Habberfield declared an interest in item 4(b)
3. The **MINUTES** of the last meeting held on Wednesday 8th May 2019 were read and approved.
4. **MATTERS ARISING:** a) Model Jet Aircraft. It appeared that this was not now an issue. Regarding the postponed May visit with representatives from RNAS Yeovilton, the CRO had now suggested that a meeting be held at Yeovilton with a small contingent of Parish Councillors etc. This proposal was accepted and the Clerk was asked to liaise with John Toon regarding a suitable date. b) Churchyard grass cutting. Cllr Habberfield declared an interest and refrained from taking part in discussions. The PCC pay between £360 and £600 per annum depending on grass growth. Councillors felt that due to the poor financial position of the Church, assistance with this ongoing cost would be justified. Cllr Bradshaw, as Financial Officer, proposed an immediate £250 per annum grant be given to the PCC and this was unanimously agreed. c) Woodlands Lane. Despite regular submissions by the Parish Council and some residents in Woodlands Lane to South Somerset Highways, very little improvements had been carried out. CC Adam Dance kindly offered to inspect the lane on leaving the meeting and would contact Highways for an update. He would report back to the Clerk on the outcome. d) Slide. The Village Hall Management Committee were waiting for ROSPA to visit. Regarding ownership of the slide, the Clerk had studied the old Parish Council Minute book and could see no actual statement in writing that the Parish Council owns the equipment. e) Approval of Standing Orders. These were approved with Cllr Bradshaw proposing, seconded by Cllr Habberfield. Cllr Habberfield had seen the owner of the Church Path wall, who would arrange for the necessary work to be carried out. It was agreed that protection of the bus shelter should consist of 2 cut down telegraph poles, one each side of the shelter, placed vertically in the ground. Cllr Habberfield to arrange.
5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.** DC Malcolm Cavill advised the meeting that the proposed route for the A358 (Ilminster to Taunton) had now been announced and published on Highways England website. At this point CC Adam Dance left the meeting to inspect Woodlands Lane.
6. **ROADS AND FOOTPATHS.** Cllr Hughes had reported to Highways a pothole, which had been repaired plus the lack of white lines at Roundoak junction. Councillors generally felt that the recent cutting of the grass verges around the village was very poor and it was agreed that come September, Jeff Mills would be employed to do his usual tidy work. Footpaths – Cllr Habberfield had nothing to report.
7. **FLOODING.** Cllr Habberfield had nothing to report.
8. **FINANCE.** a) Cllr Bradshaw produced the financial statement up to 03/07/19. Current Account £587.54. Deposit Account £4,705.00. Total £5,292.54 (This includes £3,512.00 from Zurich Insurance). Payments approved: Stationary £33.25: D R Gilbert £3,612.00: Clerks salary £93.60: HMRC (PAYE) £23.40.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE.** Planning application 19/01321/FUL. Work at Little Flitters. Paperwork had been circulated to Councillors and no observations recorded. Application permitted. There is a 12 week consultation period for proposed changes to Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service. Poster will be placed on Parish noticeboard.
10. **ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA :** a) Woodlands Lane b) Slide
11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 4th September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed

Date

Isle Abbotts Parish Council

Income, Expenditure & Balances as at 03/07/2019

Current account activity since 08/05/2019		Credit	Debit	Balance
Opening Balance				£837.79
15-May-19	Stationary supplies	FPI	33.25	
30-May-19	ZURICH INS PLC/REC 121800	FPI	3512	
30-May-19	286 DR GILBERT	CHQ	3,612.00	
02-Jul-19	CLERK SALARY	BACS	93.60	
02-Jul-19	HMRC	BACS	23.40	
Current balance				£587.54
Deposit account activity since 08/05/2019				
Opening Balance				£4,454.62
11-Mar-19	INTEREST (GROSS)	DEP	0.18	
06-Jun-19	500004 Donastion	DEP	250	
10-Jun-19	INTEREST (GROSS)	TFR	0.2	
Current balance				£4,705.00
Total				£5,292.54