

BAWD RIP PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Bawdrip Parish Council was held in the Parish Hall, Eastside Lane, Bawdrip, on Tuesday, 14th January 2014 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Parish Councillors:- Mr R Williams (Chairman), Mr R Culverhouse and Mrs S Greaves; **Ward County Councillor** Mr D Hall; Clerk, Graham Jarvis together with seventeen members of the public.

Public Speaking Time: Only subject raised -

Shaw's Orchard – Use of land to be conveyed to the Parish Council.

In answer to a question the Chairman stated that contrary to rumour this item was not due to be discussed by the Parish Council that evening. However, an undertaking was given to hold a special meeting to discuss the topic after ownership of the land had been legally transferred to the Parish Council.

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88. Apologies for Absence and Disclosures of Interest

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillors Mr Norman and Mrs Williams (both accepted) and District Councillor Mr N Turner. No disclosures of interest were made but note Minute 89 below.

89. Disclosable Pecuniary Interest(s)

The Clerk reported that he had received an application from Mr Culverhouse seeking a dispensation until 7th May 2015 in relation to the setting of the Parish Precept. Under the provision of the Council's Standing Order 7e, the Clerk had granted the application on the grounds that the business of the Council would be impeded (quorum). A similar dispensation had been granted to other Members; Minute 96 - 29th January 2013 refers.

Resolved that the position be noted

90. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th December 2013 were presented, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

91. Matters Arising

78) – Application of Health and Wellbeing Grant 2012/13 – The Chairman reported that two quotations had been obtained to attach the unit housing the defibrillator to the outside porch of the Parish Hall and connect to the mains power supply. There was agreement to accept the lowest quotation (£120.00) submitted by Terry Poole Electrical. It was mentioned that the PCC had agreed that a table tennis table could be stored in the Parish Hall provided that some practical issues could be resolved. There was agreement that the Chairman and Mr Peel (of the PCC) would discuss the subject after the meeting.

92. Planning Matters

a) Decisions notified by the Planning Authority

04/13/00012 – Extension The Barn, Greenfield Lane – Approved (delegated authority)

b) **Any Other Planning Matters** - None

93. **District Councillor Report** – None

94. **County Councillor Report**

Mr Hall gave an overview of the exceptional flooding experienced on the Somerset levels and gave details of schemes instigated by SCC to ease immediate hardship and to support small flood relief projects – the latter may involve Parish Councils. The Government's Flood Minister, Mr Dan Rogerson, was due to visit the area the next day. Mr Hall mentioned the Fairer Funding for Rural Areas campaign and provided updates on the proposed Hinkley C and the SCC budget process.

95. **Financial Matters**

a) **The following payment was approved:-**

Bawdrip PCC – Hire of Hall (Aug to Dec) – £24.00 Cheque No. 452.

b) **Parish Precept 2014/15 and Budget**

After a discussion the Parish Precept for 2014/15 was set at £5,750.00 equivalent to a charge of £28.52 per band D property, a rise of £2.16 pa – 8.2%. The budget for 2014/15 showing projected reserves at 31st March 2015 of £3,290 was approved.

c) **Any other Financial Matters** - None

96. **Roads & Footpaths**

a) **Speed Indicating Devices**

Further to Minute 83a – 10th December 2013; the Clerk reported that County Highways had supplied the results for the device placed at the A39 / Bradney Lane Junction between 19th November and 3rd December. An excessive number of vehicles were recorded travelling at speeds over 50 mph in the 40 mph zone. The results of this and previous deployments meant that three locations in Bawdrip would be incorporated in the 2014 SID Programme. The full report was included in the correspondence bundle.

b) **Temporary Road Closure** – Notified by Highway Authority

Broadway, Chilton Polden from 7th February 2014 for three days – full details included in the correspondence bundle.

97. **Correspondence**

a) **Somerset Association of Local Councils** – Invitation to nominate a Chairman or Mayor to attend Royal Garden Party.

b) **Avon and Somerset Constabulary** – Survey and web chat seeking views on anti-social behaviour.

c) **Somerset County Council**

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- i) Speed Reading Results from SID: 19th November – 3rd December 2013 on A39 Bradney Lane Junction.
 - ii) Request for Trustees to serve on the South West Heritage Trust.
 - iii) Temporary Road Closure: Broadway, Chilton Polden from 7th February 2014 for three days.
- d) **Greenbarnes** – Product leaflet notice boards and street furniture.
- e) **Clerks & Councils Direct** – January 2014 Issue.

(These items would be circulated to Members in the blue box)

98. **Items requested for future meetings** – Annual Community litter pick
99. **Date and time of next meeting** – Tuesday, 11th February 2014 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting Closed at 8.27 pm

Chairman