

**SEAVINGTON ST MARY/MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 480th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SEAVINGTON COMMUNITY SHOP/CAFE
On Tuesday 17th March 2020 immediately following Parish AGM**

3136.ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Mr A Doble [Acting Chair]

Mrs J Ash

Mrs E Edwards

Mr N England

Mrs P Parsons

Mr C Reyland

Two members of the public

APOLOGIES

Mr N Loxton - Chair

Adam Dance – County and District Councillor

Crispin Raikes – District Councillor

PCSO Mike Bell

- 3137. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – Councillors were asked what the signage to be put on the village car park would mean for local residents who have no other place to park. They were advised that the Parish Council was hopeful that the signage would stop unauthorised parking on the area, such as Commercial Vans left all day when the driver is not working in the village, large Commercial Vans and Vehicles that are not road worthy. It was agreed that if any of the conditions cause problems for local residents the Parish Council could be contacted to discuss the issue.

3138.PLANNING APPLICATIONS –

18/02609/FUL – **Kingstone Parish** – Erection of buildings re carnival floats – Following the lodging of the Parish Council concerns assurances have been received from the Area West District Council the Seavington will be kept informed of all developments.

19/00952/HOU – Retrospective plan for garden shed and store – Appeal allowed with conditions. Concerns now raised over use of entrance track to the west of 2 Southernaways. Awaiting advise from SSDC Planners

20/00125/HOU – Alterations and erection of single storey side/ rear extension – Mr & Mrs N Talbot – permission granted

20/00453/HOU – Alterations and extension at Highbank Upton Lane – Mr & Mrs Wylde – no concerns

3139.REPORT FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S

None present and no Report. However, the Parish Council can contact them with any concerns raised.

- 3140. MINUTES OF THE 480th ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 18th February 2020 were agreed as correct and signed**

- 3141. SIGNAGE AND WHITE LINING OF C5021** – Finally the speed delimiter has been moved and the village entrance to the West is now legal.

- 3142. SID** – Has been in place at village entrance west of Falcon Close. Statistics make very interesting reading. In time these will be able to be used to inform the Police of any speeding issues. Data will be put into the Village Newsletter.

3143.OTHER HIGHWAYS ISSUES –

Church Lane –Workmen have been seen in the Lane but not sure of what was done at present time. Also a report received that there still seems to be a problem with water getting onto the Lane. At the present time we are unsure from where.

Highway drains across Private Land – SSDC to be contacted again

Frontage at Falcon Close – Still nothing from Somerset County Council as to how this is progressing. To be followed up

3144.POLICE SURGERIES – Assumptions made that these will be cancelled in view of the Covid-19 situation.

3145. RANGER SCHEME – Agreed to carry on with the scheme into next year following notification that hourly rate would be increased.

3146.VILLAGE FOOTPATHS – See Minutes of AGM held 17th March 2020

3147.VILLAGE CAR PARK – Signage indicating conditions for using the Car Park will be erected shortly.

3148.UP-DATING OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – No decision made. To be discussed further

3149.SPFA – See Minutes of AGM held 17th March 2020

3150.COMMUNITY SHOP – See Minutes of AGM held 17th March 2020-

3151. WEB-SITE UP-DATE – Councillor Doble has met with Eugene [who has run the village web-site for a number of years] and Georgina [who is will to take over the role] regarding creating a completely new site. Georgina is well on the way with this. Agreement was made the once this has been completed all village organisations that use the site should meet, be shown it, and then they decide what they actually want to be on the site and how this will happen. In order to be compliant for the Parish Council some works have to be completed by August 2020.

3152. VE DAY CELEBRATIONS – Due to the Covid-19 situation these plans will be cancelled. Hopeful that it may be carried out to VJ Day in August.

3153. OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT – Disposal of garden waste by residents in Birds Lane is causing a problem. It was agreed that this is fly tipping and that the NFU should be contacted for advise. Two of the Notice Boards are now in need of repair. After discussion it was agreed that the small one on the entrance to the Hall/Shop car park would not be replaced but that a replacement would be purchased for the one adjacent to Rowdells Orchard. Councillor Doble to organise.

3154. ACCOUNTS

(a) **Balances** C/A – 1,299.09 cr Business Reserve - £162878.96 [Interest £2.59]

(b) **Payment requests** – SSSC Ranger - £754.80 [January]. Alpha signs £97.80

3155. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – In light of the present situation with regard to Covid -19 open Parish Council meetings may not be able to be held. Accordingly, in order that the Parish Council can continue to run its day to day business the following Business Continuity Motion was unanimously agreed:-

In light of the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic and government advice, this council resolves that:

(a) Should the council be unable to meet for whatever reason, the Clerk be given delegated authority to progress all ongoing matters and projects and authorise all regular payments and incur expenditure in line with the council's agreed budget.

(b) Any decisions taken under resolution (a) above will be taken, whenever possible, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of council. A record of all decisions and expenditure incurred under delegated authority will be kept and reported to members when the council next meets.

(c) The Clerk will advise all Councillors, by e-mail, of any planning applications by advising them to look at the Planning web-site of the SSSC by e-mail. Comments from a majority of Councillors will be sent to the Planning Authority.

(d) The provisions outlined in resolutions (a-c) above will override any requirements to the contrary in the council's standing orders, financial regulations or terms of reference.

(e) Should government allow councils to meet virtually (online), the council will take all reasonable steps to facilitate this.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed

Date