



MEETING OF SWIMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2023 at 7.30 PM SWIMBRIDGE JUBILEE HALL

MINUTES

Public Session

Guest Speakers

Cllr Lane reported that Jeremy Mann (NDC Head of Environmental Health) resigned this day – his post will end at Christmas.

- 2023.70 Apologies and attendance** – apologies received from Cllrs Ackland and Wright.
Present: Cllrs Knill, Wadsworth and Haworth-Booth (also as District Cllr) and District Cllr Lane
- 2023.71 Declarations of Interest** – none received
- 2023.72 Minutes of previous meeting** – these were agreed and signed
- 2023.73 Correspondence**
Mandy Titman – street lighting – circulated to Councillors and noted.
Richard Power – Diocese of Exeter to inform us that there will be surveyors on the School site.
- 2023.74 Speed consultation/Community Speedwatch update**
Cllr Haworth-Booth reported that there will now be volunteers active with speed gun. The first check will be held in Landkey and Swimbridge tomorrow evening. There are 8 volunteers in the group.
- 2023.75 Bench on square** – the clerk reported that this has been ordered
- 2023.76 Water Testing on Venn Stream** – the clerk will contact the EA again to chase up the clearing up of the stream. The clerk will also order water testing kits.
- 2023.77 Green Team** – this is now up and running again. Mrs Hind will send reports. Mrs Whitton will place a notice in the newsletter to ask for volunteers for the Parish Paths Partnership and Snow and Road wardens.
- 2023.78 Telephone Box Update** - Cllr Wadsworth reported that following the demise of Blue Orange he has found an alternative company who can produce the Perspex panels required for this project – they have estimated a cost in the region of £2000. Before this can proceed the box will need to be refurbished. This will be a contracted job, not voluntary.
- 2023.79 Committee Reports**
- 1. Planning** – Update on planning issue at Riverton – Cllr Lane reported that this is now in the hands of the Council solicitor.
 - 2. Finance**
Accounting system – Scribe UK – see article attached. It was agreed that this system should be purchased. Everyone in favour.

3. Community Engagement/Glebe Field

Cllr Knill reported that the toddler area fence was now complete with just the gates to be installed.

At the Park Committee meeting it was reported that the path will need to be extended 70m away from the car park. This was agreed and quotations will be sought.

Cllr Haworth-Booth reported that he has secured a grant from Tarka Country Trust towards the purchase of additional wildflower seeds.

4. Media Committee – nothing to report

2023.80

Payments for approval :

Clerks Salary	£301.69
Ian Rowsell	£60.00
All payments agreed	

2023.81

Items for discussion at next meeting

Waste water storage tanks on bridge

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