

HOLFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Date, Time and Location:
16 November 2020, 19:00 @ Holford via Zoom Video Communications.

Holford Parish Council	Initials (XX)	Attendance	Somerset West & Taunton Councillor	Initials (XX)	Attendance
Emma Cavendish Chairman	EC	✓	Chris Morgan	CM	✓
David Talling Vice Chairman	DT	✓	Somerset County Council Councillor		
Hema Stanley Clerk/RFO	HS	✓	Hugh Davies	HD	✓
Erl Plomgren	EP	✓	Police Community Support Officers		
Maureen Young	MY	✓	Sue Thompson; Sue Marks	ST; SM	
Stephen Campbell	SC	✓	Jamie Munro	JM	
Michala Crossley	MC	✓	Public Path Liaison Officer		
Vacancy			Sue Edwards	SE	

Key:

Proposed: P:XX

Seconded: S:XX

(XX initials of members)

1 member of the public present.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. Minute 089/020: Apologies for absence.
 - PCSO SM sent in report.
2. Minute 090/020: Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations.
 - HS – Planning applications for Alfoxton.
3. Minute 091/020: Previous meeting minutes – Approve. P: EC; S: MY.
 - No matters arising.
4. Minute 092/020: Co-opt new councillor/s.
 - Michala Crossley Co-opted. HS to forward parish council information i.e procedures/forms.
5. Minute 093/020: Chairman report – EC.
 - See Chairman report.
6. Minute 094/020: Somerset County Council report – HD.

HD Summarised latest SCC Press releases. More details on the SCC website:
<https://somersexnewsroom.com/>

 - Step Up Somerset supporting workers in tough economic climate.
 - Grant scheme to help businesses save money and the environment.
 - Somerset schools get creative to help prevent violence and criminal exploitation.
 - Domestic abuse – help is still available.
 - Think about the drink and your mental health.
 - Lockdown two – libraries still here for you.
 - #StayHomeForSomerset.
 - Support for Somerset residents during lockdown.

- Utility firm fined for breaching signage rules.
 - Slamming the brakes on abuse of road workers.
 - New walk-through coronavirus testing site opening.

 - Complaint from a Kilve resident - Flooding on Portway Lane towards Dyche.
7. Minute 095/020: Somerset West and Taunton Council report – CM.
- Aware of flooding issue on Portway Lane.
 - Welcomed Michala Crossley.
 - Carbon emission reduction grants – Electric car @ Kilve Court – with opportunity to share with other local Parishes.
 - Community Bus Service – Hinkley to restore the service in due course.
8. Minute 096/020: Police Community Support Officer report – SM.
- See PCSO report.
9. Minute 097/020: Planning applications.
- With advice from SWT to not carry out site visits, councillors have not been able to convene for any site visits in these exceptional circumstances. Holford Parish Council request for the deadlines for current applications to be extended until such time as site visits are allowed. HS to email Planning. HS emailed Planning on 20201117.
10. Minute 098/020: Parish maintenance.
- EP/SC – Long standing problem with flooding on Portway Lane. HPC requests HD to take on the issue with the necessary department in SCC.
 - Safety tree works by the Village Green. Permission granted by land owner. P: EC; S: MY – All approved.
 - EC to chase up National Trust – bank issue around ‘Welly Wash’
 - MC – Bridge, Back lane – Hand rail rotten. HS to report issue. Issue logged on the Explore Somerset map. <https://roam.somerset.gov.uk/roam/map>. Ref 59322.
11. Minute 099/020: Councillors – All.
- EC - Climate Emergency – recommended Somerset Climate Action Network website <https://somersetcan.org.uk/>
 - EC - Reduction of road speed limit in village – Awaiting feedback from Traffic manager.
 - EC – Quiet Lanes – Designated lead MY, possibility for traffic assessment in the village to reduce speed. EC/MY to contact Kate Brown/Kevin Bridgwater (recommendations by HD)
 - SC – Hunt. Contact established with Quantock Stag Hounds. See Hunt report.
 - MY - Community SpeedWatch A39. Project underway.
12. Minute 100/020: Finance matters - HS.
- Approve outstanding invoices <https://holford-pc.gov.uk/fiscal-year-accounts-2020-2021/> P: EC; S: MY – All approved.
 - DT – Asked if Zoom membership can be re-instated every meeting. HS to review feasibility.
 - Lengthsmans’ grant – Proposal to use funds for appropriate Parish maintenance use with approval each time. ‘Safety tree works by Village Green’. P: EC; S: EP All in favour.
 - MY requested additional PC cards. HS to order.
 - DT – Unitary funding outrageous.
 - DT – In discussion about Road name – Back Lane/Church Road.



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- EP – Kilve Parish Council has a new Chair Steve Collins. Requested EC to make contact. Kilve Parish would like to meet with Holford Parish when Covid restrictions are lifted.
13. Minute 101/020: Requests via email correspondence – HS.
- None.
14. Minute 102/020: Any other business for next agenda.
- Discuss frequency/areas of Parish maintenance grass cutting in time for Precept/Budget.
 - Insurance quotes.
 - EC - Discuss possibility to purchase a silhouette of a 'Tommy' for the next Armistice event.

Meeting closed 20:45