

1. Present. H Shergold, J Lockier, P Hodge, C Jackson, J Cridland, R Ashworth (Clerk),

In attendance L Wright (Pointcloud Consultants), Mr Russell, Mrs G Parker

2. Apologies. N Hewitt-Cooper, H Batt,

3. Declarations of Interest. None.

4. Public participation. Mr L Wright and Mr Russell gave a short presentation on the application at Thrupe Marsh Farm for change of use and up to 5 Shepherds Huts as holiday lets.

5. Matters arising

a. Highways. Closure of Old Frome road from 18th February for 3 days.

b. H Shergold advised that Highways would be placing bollards by the main Bus shelter to stop parking on the pavement by the stop; a Bus Stop road sign would be painted on the road. The bus stop at Back Lane would also be moved 10 yards on the main road with a similar road sign. Time scale is likely to be some four months before work starts. Highways note that parking safety issues at Church St, and in Back Lane do not have an easy solution since any restrictions would merely move the traffic elsewhere. Advice from Highways is that any bad parking, that restricts access for emergency vehicles, is too close to road junctions and stops access to properties may be creating an obstruction and offending car registration numbers should be reported immediately to the police so that they can investigate and talk to the car owner. Use of hatched lines on the road is no longer a Somerset Highways policy and double yellow lines are undesirable in the conservation area. The Parish Council will continue to seek suitable land for long term parking for residents and visitors. Parking in Church Street may ease slightly once the current building works are complete.

b. Strawberry Line A371 . Following a joint Liaison working party site visit between Croscombe PC and St Cuthbert Out at Dulcote and Dinder it was agreed that the consultative document would be presented to the St Cuthbert Out Council for initial approval. In respect of the section from Sleight lane through Croscombe to Shepton Mallet it was resolved that further investigative work will be carried out by P Hodge and R Ashworth to prepare and then present a consultative paper to Croscombe Parish Council to consider.

Action RA/PH

c. Report on replacing Parish Council notice boards. It was resolved that permission from the Shop committee for a new notice board in front of the Village Shop to the same design as the existing one would be sought. The one in Fayre Way would be replaced and slightly repositioned, and the one in Boards Lane repaired.

Quotations would be sought from local craftsman.

Action RA/JL

d. Report on 3d Map pending. It was resolved to ask MDC to supply 12 copies of the Village map at a large scale on A0 to assist on the N Plan design.

Action HS

e. Report on Facilities questionnaire pending

Action MP

f. Report on Green Spaces . Subscription to the Green Spaces Society obtained. Resolved that J Lockier would discuss with them the advantages of registering the Fayre Way Parfitt's Field and the school playing field and play area as protected green spaces by the Parish Council rather than wait for MDC to do so in the now delayed stage 2 of the Local Plan.

Action JL.

g. Report on MDC Rural Forum. C Jackson gave a short report on the event .

6. Planning

a. Ref 2015/0069/FUL Thrupe Marsh Farm Change of use and install up to 5 Shepherd Huts as Holiday lets **Recommend Approval unanimously**

Action RA

b. Ref 2014/2598/HSE 2 Storey rear extension Dungeon Farm MDC approved

c. Ref 2015/0169/TCA Parsonage Farm removal of lime tree/leylandii **Recommend approval unanimously**

Action RA

c. Neighbourhood Plan sub groups

Housing questionnaire results being analysed.

Action PH

Parking group questionnaire results being analysed

Strategy and policy for long term parking in Crocombe to be discussed at next meeting

Action HB/All

Green Spaces/Facilities questionnaire to be prepared for consideration.

Action MP/JL

Facilities group set of proposals including enlisting a village survey from a specialist in the needs of the elderly pending.

Action MP

d. Farm Land for auction in Crocombe has been postponed by the selling agents.

7. Correspondence. The following had been received:

- a. Rural Services newsletters
- b. SLCC newsletter re Election details
- c. MDC Parish Bulletin.

8 Accounts. Resolved to pay:

- 8.1 a. PAYE Quarter 4 Salary/Expenses R Ashworth
- b. Open Spaces Society Subscription £45.00.
- c. A comparison statement on the parish accounts actual as at 1st February to original budget was circulated.

Matters for consideration.

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm
Next Parish Council meeting Wednesday 11th March 2015 in the Church Rooms