

MINUTES OF CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS ON WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2021, 7:00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs M Rogers, G Parker, J Cansdale, B Gudzelak, S Fawcett-Fice.

IN ATTENDANCE: G Pettitt (Parish Clerk).

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: No members of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Cllrs C Sully, S Dyer-Gibbins

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies and reasons given. Approved.

MDC Cllr Nigel Hewitt-Cooper and C Stanley also sent apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Fawcett-Fice declared a personal interest in item 5.

3. EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC: Item 14ii will exclude Press and Public.

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were no announcements.

5. GRANT APPLICATION

Croscombe Creepy Crawl and Halloween Disco. Noted that a number of organisations are being approached to support this event of which the total cost could be £200.

RESOLVED: To approve the grant of £75 to Croscombe Creepy Crawl and Halloween Disco. Approved.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

i. **RESOLVED:** To approve the minutes of the informal meeting of 2 September 2021. Approved.

ii. **RESOLVED:** To approve the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of 15 September 2021. Approved.

7. FLOOD COMMITTEE REPORT

i. Mendip District Council Briefing, including information of £5,000 available to communities towards flood prevention measures - noted.

ii. Applications for funding will be brought to next Full Council.

iii. Flood Committee report received and noted. Council voice appreciation of the Flood Committee work.

8. PLAY AREA WORKING GROUP REPORT

i. Grant application to Mendip District Council for play area equipment was received.
RESOLVED: To approve, retrospectively, the grant application to MDC for play area equipment. Approved.

ii. **RESOLVED:** To appoint Cllr Gudzelak to the Play Area Working Group. Approved.

iii. **RESOLVED:** To approve the draft tender specification for Croscombe play area equipment

RESOLVED: The final specification may be approved by email before submission to the government contract finder website.

iv. **RESOLVED:** A professional need not be sought to aid in the drawing up of the specification. Approved.

v. The tender schedule will be drawn up at a later date.

vi. The tender opening date will be decided at a later date.

9. PARISH CHARTER MARKET STALL

RESOLVED: To approve the holding of a Parish Council stall at each charter market to share information and aid consultation. Approved.

Noted that each market lasts for four hours - four councillors could give an hour each.

Cllrs will be asked to put their names forward for the 11 December market, at the next Full Council meeting.

10. PARISH ORCHARD AND CEMETERY FIELD

RESOLVED: To appoint P Hodge and H Shergold to the Orchard Working Group, (OWG). Approved.

Noted that Cllr Dyer Gibbins has stepped down from the OWG.

The OWG elected H Huckvale as Chair. The OWG will be recommending a parish-wide consultation, survey and mission statement to an Extraordinary Full Council - date to be confirmed. The Terms of Reference and approval to purchase ballot boxes will also be brought to the EFC.

11. UNITARY AUTHORITY

Noted report of Wells City Council meeting on Unitary Authority. Council considered a village meeting on the implications of the reorganisation may be needed in the future as will as implications considered in the Parish Plan.

12. CROSCOMBE PARISH PLAN

Draft will be circulated to Councillors next week. The framework will be brought to the November meeting to plan the consultation.

13. FINANCE

i. **RESOLVED:** To approve as itemised in the RFO report, including:- £85-Traffic Survey Flyer, 18/5/21; £87.54-Village Hall Defibrillator pads and £32.61 Defibrillator batteries, not itemised in the report. Approved.

RESOLVED: To approve £1,000 to be transferred to Unity Trust Bank as an opening deposit. Approved.

ii. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Current Account bank reconciliation to 25 August 21. Approved.

14. CLERK

i. Fayre Way ivy laden tree - noted an arborist has checked this and will be monitoring.

ii. Parish Email list - the investigation continues with professional support.

iii. Mendip District Council No Idling signs - noted signs will be delivered for the school and the Village Hall. The George will also be approached to see if they are interested.

iv. Mendip District Council Business Grants - noted that there is a lot of support available for businesses currently.

15. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

i. Avon and Somerset Police - Noted

ii. Somerset County Council - No report

iii. Mendip District Council - Noted.

CLOSE

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 25 November 2021.

Signed

Date