

Goathurst Parish Council Meeting
Monday 17 July 2023 7.30 pm,
Goathurst Village Hall

Minutes

1. Apologies: Richard Kilbey, James Roberts
2. Declarations of interest on agenda items: None
3. Public forum: Amanda – works for Quantock Hills office, landscape scheme has some money available for fingerposts – up to 75% of the value of fingerposts – there are other projects available but not been much uptake for this funding.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of 23 May 2023: Approved, Danielle Filer to sign
5. Matters arising and action points not covered on the agenda: None
6. Planning applications: None. The Parkers planning permission has come
7. Financial matters
 - 7.1. Precept in Barclays account – clerk to chase
 - 7.2. Payments for approval - £15.99 and Debbie’s cheque for tubs
8. Footpaths – (Behind Beth’s house) Nick Modley strims up to the gate but the path is not accessible very well once the crop has grown. Ragwort – Clerk to put notice on about it.
9. Roads – pothole outside Croziers is getting quite bad – new one that needs reporting. DF will report the gully by Huntstiles again, but normally they put shale in which just runs off.
10. Dry Stone Walling Collapse on Park Lane – JR not here to discuss, ongoing.
11. Village hall – ongoing – Clerk to chase
12. The ‘Telephone Exchange – need some shelves putting up – Beth to have a word with Tim Parker.
13. Village Speed Limit – Sedgmoor have sent email to say that estimated costs of £15,000 which would make it cost-prohibitive for council. Cost to make some new signs? 3 signs made by children and professionally printed and laminated – rules and regs/costs to make into sign. DF to speak to Brenda & Nicki about making the sign in kids club. White “gates” to slow traffic into village
14. Wilding Goathurst – Beth been in contact with Fiona at Enmore. Hedges and verges - Steven Burges does both Enmore and Goathurst verges. Churchyard – Brenda and Nicki are keen to get involved. Halswell is interested in the wilding projects – the acre at Temple of Harmony – also putting a small area that children can come play at the back. Hedgehog project – Beth will look at and distribute as necessary.
15. Quantock Cluster / Dowsborough LCN – clerk to forward minutes from last meeting
16. Dog Fouling on Halswell Drive – clerk will put up some signs, and some poo bags for people to collect. Funny sign on the drive – Simeon to speak to Angus.
17. Correspondence – Battery costs for defibrillator at £62.50 for each charity for the running costs every 5 years.
 - 17.1. Grant for Village Hall Committee - clerk to speak to Helen about what they are looking for.
18. Other matters to report
19. DONM – 11th September 2023

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