

Minutes of the Meeting Goathurst Parish Council
Held on Monday 10 November 2014 7.30 pm, Goathurst Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Jo Purvis (Chairman), John Capell, Richard Kilbey, Terry Howard, District Cllr Julie Pay, Ann Manders (Clerk); two members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** District Cllr Mike Caswell, Cllr Isabel Shute.
2. **Declarations of interest on agenda items:** Item 7. Terry Howard declared that his wife is a Halswell Park Trustee.
3. **Public Forum:** nothing to report.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2014:** these had been previously circulated, were deemed as read and signed by Jo Purvis as a correct record of the meeting.
5. **Matters Arising:** the meeting of the Goathurst Flood Prevention Group had not yet taken place. The Clerk was asked to chase up a response from Richard Newby regarding traffic calming measures within the village.
6. **Roads and Flooding:** Terry Howard reported that he has the sandbags available if they are needed. Richard Kilbey reported that water is rising up through the road again in Park Lane. The crack in the road outside the village hall had enlarged and will need monitoring.
7. **Planning:** 29/14/00016 Formation of Access. Andersfield Farm, Halswell Park TA5 2DL. It was agreed to return a 'no comment' response to this application.
8. **Footpaths:** Terry Howard had received a complaint about the path leading from Lovedere to the Enmore Inn and had volunteered to strim this next year if necessary and with the landowner's permission.
9. **Finance:**
 - **Approval of payments due:** nothing to report.
 - **Modification of bank mandate:** this had been returned to Jo Purvis with a covering letter stating that the form had information missing, however it was not clear what this information was. The Clerk will investigate.
10. **Grass cutting:** John Capell reported that all this year's volunteers had done an excellent job and proposed that the Parish Council purchases a bottle of wine for each of them as a 'thank you'. It was unanimously agreed that John should purchase six bottles and claim reimbursement from the Parish Council.
11. **Library Consultation:** Somerset County Council are currently carrying out a Library Consultation which will run until 11 January. The proposals include a recommendation that the mobile library ceases to visit villages which are within three miles of a static library, this will include Goathurst which is 2.21 miles from North Petherton as the crow flies. Nine registered users are currently registered with the mobile library, visiting 47 times in the past year. It was agreed that the Clerk should place something in the village magazine and respond on behalf of the Parish Council.
12. **Correspondence:** nothing to report.
13. **Any other business:** nothing to report.

The meeting closed at 8 pm.