

**Minutes of Goathurst Annual Parish Council Meeting  
Monday 13 July 2020 @ 7.30pm, Remote meeting hosted by 'Zoom'**

**Attendees:** Richard Kilbey, Isabel Shute, John Capell, James Roberts, Danielle Filer, Niki Ingleby (Clerk), Cllr Julie Pay

**ACTION**

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Mike Caswell
2. **Declarations of interest on agenda items:** None
3. **Public forum:** None
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of 11 May 2020:** Approved subject to two amendments to minutes;  
Item 3 – Correction –Richard Kilbey accepted the role, having been nominated by John, seconded by **Isabel Shute**, and agreed by all.  
Item 4 – Forms do not need to be completed and emailed unless after an election.
5. **Matters arising and action points not covered on agenda:** None
6. **Planning application:** None
7. **Financial matters**
  - 7.1 **Approval of payments due:** NALC Affiliation Invoice 2020/21 for amount of £53.31 due – approved for payment.
  - 7.2 **Bank Mandate change to be authorised :** John Capell to contact Barclays to arrange. John
8. **Footpaths:** Isabel has walked a number of paths and it seems that many have been trimmed back. She will keep checking them.
9. **Roads and flooding:** John to contact Highways Agency – there are no potholes but the roads are very damaged along the edges in places on the approach to the village. It was noted that the road between Rhode and Durleigh is having substantial amount of work done to it.  
Comment that Clean Surrounds had been very good at responding to notices of fly-tipping. John
10. **Covid-19 Update:** felt that the villagers were mostly still staying home and the general feel was good. Workstream email sent weekly was very informative.
11. **Village hall – Land Registration:** Ongoing. Original copy of Title Deeds to be retrieved from Somerset Heritage Centre when it reopens. Clerk  
  
Meeting to then be arranged to review with Solicitor. James
12. **The 'Telephone Exchange':** ongoing – approval from Council for John Capell to purchase paint as sourcing as “package” more expensive. Annie to paint phonebox. John
  - 12.1 **Defibrillator:** Discussion centred around how often in may be used and what training and upkeep would be required. Cllr Julie Pay commented

that a number of the surrounding villages had installed them, and Isabel commented on demographic of village population. Decided that once village hall up and running events again to revisit.

13. **Lych Gate:** received quote for £1,637.28 from Fine Memorials. Richard to speak to Colin Chalmers and Brenda Smith, that this is fair quote and covers what is require, subject to PCC approval , Council will accept quote for work to go ahead Richard

14. **New Clerk:** Niki Ingleby has accepted role of new clerk, Welcome to first meeting. Thanks again to Sharon for her work in the role of Parish Clerk.

**Correspondence:**

**14.1 Local Government Reorganisation** – Cllr Julie Pay explained some of the details around the Unitary, which focuses on cost-savings within the District Councils by combing resources. Feeling that these cost-savings will not benefit Sedgemoor or Parish Council and agreed that Richard would send an email stating that the Parish Council did not support the Unitary as such. Richard

**14.2** JAC Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020: No Parish Councillors available to attend.

**14.3** Walking & Cycling Manifesto: Doesn't impact on village as such. Council approve in principal. Richard

15. **Other matters to report:** None

16. **DONM: Monday 14 September 2020 at the Village Hall**

**The meeting ended at 8.15pm.**

Niki Ingleby

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