



# AXMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL

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**A meeting of Axmouth Parish Council was held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021, at 7:00pm at Axmouth Village Hall**

**Those present:**

Cllr Nigel Daniel      Cllr Paul Britton      Cllr Graham Mather

**In attendance:** Becki Davey (Clerk) & 1 member of the public (left 7.59)

- 1) **Apologies:** Were received from Cllr Garrett – holiday, Cllr I Hall (DCC) & Cllr I Thomas (EDDC) – work. Approved. Cllr Ken Steven, Cllr Morag Steven & Cllr Ron Badger were unavailable

The meeting was quorate. Cllr Daniel chaired the meeting.

- 2) **Declarations of Interests:** Cllr Britton declared an interest as a member of the Playground Association (item 10).
- 3) **The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (Planning):** The minutes were **approved** and signed.
- 4) **Discuss Co-option of Councillors:** There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council and two parishioners are interested in being co-opted to the Parish Council. They both meet the criteria required. The Councillors discussed the matter and agreed to invite both to join the Parish Council. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact both parishioners.
- 5) **Highway Matters:** Cllr Daniel highlighted the overgrown hedges within the village. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact Bindon Estates. Cllr Mather advised Councillors that the VAS was installed on 27<sup>th</sup> September. He will move it next week to the other side of the road so it is facing the other way. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact Dave Ashford, DCC Highways, for the cable to enable the Council to download the data that has been captured. It is Musbury's turn to have the VAS next and **CLLR MATHER** will be in contact with Musbury to arrange collection. The ditch at Higher Lane is blocked (above 30mph sign limit). **ACTION: CLLR DANIEL** to create a document to confirm where so the Clerk can contact Highways. Clerk is to also forward the diagrams of DCC ditch responsibility to Councillors.

6) **Police Report:** No member of the force was present. A report had been received advising that 3 crimes had been recorded in September 2021; 1 Violence with injury, 1 Violence without injury, and 1 Theft. There had been 3 incidents recorded; 1 Crime recorded and 2 Transport.

7) **Financial Matters:**

- a) To approve the financial statements to the end September 2021: Councillors **approved** the financial statement.
- d) To approve the following payments

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| Land Registry | Registry Search            | DC   | £ 6.00  |
| Mr J Widger   | Grass Maintenance Contract | BACS | £705.00 |
| Mr G Mather   | Padlocks for VAS           | BACS | £ 23.30 |
| RBLI          | Purchase of Tommy Statue   | DC   | £200.00 |

Councillors **approved** the above payments. (Resend LR to ND)

8) **Planning Applications:**

**New applications for consideration:** No applications were received in time to be advertised on the agenda. The application 21/2732/FUL - Heathfield Farm Sidmouth Road Rousdon Lyme Regis - Alterations to annexe roof, single storey rear extension, installation of front porch was received on the day of the meeting. Councillors discussed the application and they have no objections. **ACTION: CLERK** to advise EDDC.

- 9) **Review Fixed Assets:** The Clerk advised Councillors that the Playground equipment is included in the fixed asset review because it is included within the joint insurance policy and therefore they should be reviewed regularly. Councillors requested that the Clerk show that the Playground equipment be highlighted as Playground Association items. **ACTION: CLERK** to update Fixed Asset review form.
- 10) **Future of Axmouth Playground:** Councillors discussed this matter at length. The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted Mr Loveridge regarding the Playground lease being changed to the Parish Council but as yet has had no reply. Councillors agreed for the Council to take over future management using a working party. **ACTION: CLERK & CLLR BRITTON** to prepare Terms of Reference for the new working party. (Member of Public left 7:59)
- 11) **Placement of Tommy:** The Tommy statue has arrived. Councillors agreed to place to site it on Coronation Corner and it will be moved during remembrance to the churchyard. It has been confirmed that it can be securely positioned as a temporary structure.
- 12) **Riverside Slipway opposite Squires Lane:** It was agreed that this matter be left. Even though the slipway is private land, there are currently no issues with people launching from there. Should any matters arise (complaints regarding parking on double yellows and blocking the slipway etc) then the Clerk will respond advising that the slipway is on private land (not Council owned) and that the complainant should contact DCC Highways regarding the parking.

- 13) To accept reports and agree actions from the following:
- a) **County Councillor: Cllr Hall** was unable to attend the meeting. A report had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.
  - b) **District Councillor: Cllr Thomas** was unable to attend the meeting. See [trinitymatters.co.uk](http://trinitymatters.co.uk) for information.
  - c) **Parish Councillors:** No reports.
  - d) **Clerk's report:** defib training? Ask Janet S if she is happy to arrange.
- 14) To accept any relevant correspondence: All correspondence accepted. The Clerk highlighted an additional item that had been received today concerning parking spaces for 6 & 7 Higher Axmouth. Councillors discussed the matter and agreed that they had no objections to the moving of the grit bin and the works being undertaken but would like to see written approval from the landowner prior to the works being carried out.

**Next Parish Council Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7:00pm**

The meeting ended at 8:11

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Chairman: .....