



AXMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of Axmouth Parish Council was held on Wednesday 16th March 2022, at 7:00pm at Axmouth Village Hall

Those present:

Cllr Ken Steven	Cllr Nigel Daniel	Cllr Morag Steven	Cllr Graham Mather
Cllr Chris Garrett	Cllr Paul Britton	Cllr Paul Zisman	Cllr Jonathan Wiseman

In attendance: Cllr Ian Hall (DCC), Cllr Ian Thomas (EDDC)

1) **Apologies:** Cllr Ron Badger (Away), Becki Davey (Clerk) (Ill). Approved.

The meeting was quorate.

2) **Declarations of Interests:** None

3) **The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 16th February 2022:** The minutes were **approved** and signed.

4) **To agree any items to be discussed after the public, including the press have been excluded:** None. No members of the public present.

5) **Public Forum:** No members of the public present.

6) **Highway Matters:** DCC have asked for expressions of interest to be involved in a 20mph traffic scheme. Cllrs agreed that this scheme is very much of interest to the local community. Cllrs Mather, Daniel and Britton will meet with Cllr Hall on 21st March to prepare the application form and send it to DCC by 31st March 2022.

Cllr Mather provided Councillors with the last set of data from the temporary VAS placed on Chapel Street between 02.01.2022 & 13.03.2022 advising that there were 67 vehicles that had exceeded 35mph with the majority of these being between 9pm & 10pm. The busiest period was between 4pm & 5pm. The VAS sign will be back in the village at the beginning of June for a further six weeks. Cllr Hall urged the Council to persevere with the request for a permanent VAS outside Marandellas in Church Street.

The Streetlamp by the bus stop in Church Street (no 6) has still not been fixed despite having been reported four times since November 2021. Cllrs feel that the Parish has been ignored on several

levels by Highways.

CLlr Daniel advised that the verges have been cleared within the village.

7) Financial Matters:

- a) To approve the financial statements to the end February 2022: Councillors **approved** the financial statement.
- b) To confirm Internal Auditor for 2021/22: Councillors confirmed Trudie Jenkins as the internal auditor for 2021/22 **ACTION: CLERK** to advise Trudie Jenkins.
- c) To confirm Clerk's pay increase of 1.75% following agreement from the NJC (National Joint Council for Local Government Services) effective 01.04.2021: Councillors confirmed the pay award. **ACTION: CLERK** to arrange payment of the backdated award.
- d) To approve the following payments:

SLCC	Annual Membership	D/C	£112.00
Microsoft	Annual 365 Subscription	D/C	£ 79.99
ICO	Annual Data Protection Registration Fee	DD	£ 35.00
EDDC	Green Waste Subscription	D/C	£ 48.00
Mrs R Davey	Reimburse Stationery Items	BACS	£102.28

Councillors approve the above payments. Councillors also approved the purchase of a new printer following the fixed asset report from the Clerk. CLlr Garrett advised a payment to J Stansfield is required to cover Jubilee Printing Costs. **ACTION: CLLR GARRETT** to pass the invoice to the Clerk for payment.

8) Planning Applications:

New applications for consideration: 22/0285/LBC | Havenclyffe Axmouth Seaton EX12 4AB | Re-render the following elevations: south west, south east, north east and north west: Councillors considered the application. They have no objection to the application but do have concern over the siloxane finishing coat which isn't breathable, over the natural hydraulic lime 3.5 base coat. They request that attention be given by the conservation officer for clarification of the suitability of the finishing coat. **ACTION: CLERK** to advise EDDC.

Letter regarding 28 day permitted development rule: Unfortunately, this item was missed from the meeting and will be deferred to the meeting in April.

- 9) **Fixed Asset Review:** Councillors reviewed the fixed assets. It was advised that the both the Bus Shelter and Noticeboard on Chapel Street need attention and the pictures in the Village Hall need attention including one requiring a re-frame. Two grit bins that were missing from the review sheet are to be added and a new printer is to be purchased. Some items on Coronation Corner are to be monitored and could benefit from a further coat of wood treatment.

- 10) **The Queens Jubilee:** CLlr Garrett advised the Jubilee meeting was a success and 20 people attended. Most people wanted Church Street closed for the street party but there would be issues including three metre clearance required for emergency vehicles. Plan B would be to either close Chapel Street or hold the party in the Harbour Inn car park. CLlr Garrett also advised that she is applying for an 'Award for All' grant to be used for the purchase of tables for the village. Free mugs have been offered to all children in the village with others available to purchase. A message has been sent out both on facebook and in the village newsletter asking for details of all under 18's who would be interested. **ACTION: CLLR GARRETT** to contact Highways regarding the

closure of Church Street. **CLERK** to investigate whether the Public Liability Insurance the Council holds is adequate.

- 11) **Dates for future clean-up days:** It was agreed that the Village Clean-Up days for the rest of 2022 would be held as follows;
23.04.2022, 16.07.2022 & 01.10.2022. **ACTION: CLLR M STEVEN** to prepare and display a poster for the next date.
- 12) **Agree Community Group invites to Annual Parish Meeting:** Cllrs agreed that the following groups be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting;
Village Hall Committee, Friends of St Michaels Church, Axmouth Golf Club, Axmouth Village Show Committee, Axmouth Playground Association, Axmouth Yacht Club, Axmouth Football Club, Axmouth Parochial Church Committee.
- 13) **Footpath Project:** Cllr Daniel advised that the option of a roadside footpath between the village gateway and footpath 18 is not possible as some of the areas have no verge and it would mean crossing the road at several points. Therefore, the initial proposal for the path to be behind the hedge is to be pursued. Cllrs Daniel and Zisman are to walk the path ahead of submitting any plans to DCC.
- 14) **To accept reports and agree actions from the following:**
 - a) **County Councillor:** Cllr Hall attended the meeting. He had provided a report to all councillors prior to the meeting, see [Agendas and Minutes - Axmouth Parish Council](#) for a copy of the report. In addition to items in his report he also advised Councillors that the Scott Rowe Building near Axminster Hospital is for sale. It is NHS owned.
 - b) **District Councillor:** Cllr Thomas attended the meeting. See trinitymatters.co.uk for further information. He also confirmed that the Oak Tree being given to Parishes by EDDC will be being planted in the Village Show field thanks to permission being given by the Landowners, Bindon. It will be planted at Treaty//Passengers//Crinkly on What Three Words. He also provided his response to the 28 day permitted development rule.
 - c) **Parish Councillors:** Cllr K Steven advised that there has been two parishioners who have shown an expression of interest to become a Councillor. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact them to advise there are currently no vacancies but their details will be held for the future.
 - d) **Clerk's report:** There was no report from the Clerk as she is ill.
- 15) **To accept any relevant correspondence:** All correspondence accepted.

Annual Parish Meeting & Next Parish Council Meeting 20th April 2022 at 7:00pm

Date:

Chairman: