

**Minutes of the Burrowbridge Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2015  
in the Coronation Hall, Burrowbridge.**

- 150 Welcome:**B.Tyler(chair),C.Loughlin,S.Kirk,D.Tilley,D.Graham,  
D.Fothergill,P.Stone,M.Payton(Clerk)
- 151 Apologies:**R.Quinton – B.Tyler had received his resignation and read it to Councillors.
- 152 Public Question & Answer session:** There were none.
- 153 Minutes of the November meeting:** These were signed after the ‘Action’ points checked.
- 154 Matters arising from the Minutes:**
- a.The new defibrillator: The Clerk explained that the long form that had to be completed had been sent to the Somerset Community Foundation. She had subsequently had a telephone call from them requesting that the owner of the premises where it was to be installed sign a letter stating that they would be prepared to have the defibrillator on the wall of their barn for a minimum of 3 years. D.Tilley agreed and signed.
  - b.The Health and Wellbeing Grant. D.Fothergill had secured £400.00p from this grant for a Qigong sessions for the over 60’s in the village. He presented the cheque and Councillors thanked him.
  - c.Old Stathe Road/Winkworth Way: C. Payton had made an initial contact with J. Rowlands of the EA and now awaiting a date for a meeting.
  - d.The Clerk stated that she had spoken to the volunteer and informed her of the Parish Council’s intentions to cut the plants back. B.Tyler suggested 2<sup>nd</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> January. The Clerk to be kept informed. **Action: B.Tyler**
  - e.There were no other matters arising.
- 155 Planning:**
- a.51/15/0013/LB:51/15/0012 Conversion of detached store to form extension to holiday accommodation at the King Alfred Inn, Burrowbridge. All Councillors were in agreement that a ‘Supports’ statement be sent stating ‘that it would make the pub more viable’.
  - b.51/15/0015 Erection of an extension to commercial building of NVA group premises, Stathe Road, Burrowbridge. All Councillors agreed that a ‘Support’ statement be sent stating that ‘it was good for local employment’.
  - c.Information via a private source had been received that the proposed Aller Moor Solar farm was going to appeal. The Clerk asked to respond giving the same reasons as at the original enquiry. **Action: Clerk**
  - d.Correspondence had been received from the architects who originally designed the development at Gillards Transport yard. Apparently certain alterations had been suggested to make the sale of the yard more viable. R.Upton had suggested attending a Parish Council meeting before a public meeting. The Clerk waiting to hear when he would be ready to attend.
  - e.Planning decisions information had been received from TDBC.
  - f.Information had been received from TDBC about charges for street naming etc.
- 156 Finance:**
- a.A request for a donation from the Citizens Advice Bureau had been received. D.Graham proposed and B.Tyler seconded that £50.00p be donated.
  - b.The invoice for grass cutting from the Foster Bros. had not been received.

- c.The Precept 2016/17: The Clerk presented figures. A discussion followed. B.Tyler suggested £250.00p be put into a separate account for Flood Resilience. All agreed and B.Tyler proposed and C.Loughlin seconded that £5500.00p be requested.
- d.Update on finances: These, of course, were shown on the figures presented as Community Account:£228.78/Active Saver:£6414.42.
- e.There was no need to transfer any funds.
- f.An invoice had been received from TDBC for an uncontested election in the sum of £100.00p. B.Tyler proposed this be paid and D.Graham seconded.
- 157 Highways:**
  - a.Information had been received that Stathe Road would be closed on 7<sup>th</sup> January for 5 days.
  - b.Again road closure signs were discussed and the lack of details on them.
- 158 Footpaths:**There was nothing to report.
- 159 Flood Resilience:**
  - a.The SRA dredging briefing had been received and circulated and also displayed on noticeboards.
  - b.The Flood Resilience group chairman, D.Graham, stated that the flood plan packs were ready and would be distributed asap.
- 160 Neighbourhood Watch/Police matters.** There was nothing.
- 161 SALC:**
  - a.Details of the Transparency Code training had been received. Nobody including the Clerk wanted to attend.
  - b.Also a training session ‘Negotiating a better outcome on Planning’ had been arranged.
- 162 Community Council for Somerset:** There was nothing
- 163 Annual Parish Meeting 2016**

The date was set for 24<sup>th</sup> May and B.Tyler suggested getting a speaker to give a talk on Modern Day farming. All Councillors agreed with this suggestion and B.Tyler to contact a speaker from the NFU
- 164 National Trust/Burrow Mump car park:**

All Councillors stated that the National Trust had done a very good job with hedge laying around the Mump. It was suggested and agreed upon that the cleaning of the car park be left to them this time.
- 165 Correspondence:** There was none.
- 166 Items of Information of Council only:** The noticeboard at the King Alfred was mentioned as was P.Kerr’s hedge. Also the Clerk asked to mentioned a tree in the church yard obscuring the lights to the Churchwarden. D.Fothergill mentioned Somerset Day.
- 167 Matters to be reported: RQ’s resignation/Health&Wellbeing grant/CAB donation/Precept/Flood Resilience flood plan.**
- 168 Date & time of next meeting: 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 at 7.30pm.**  
**The meeting closed at 8.40pm.**

**Action:**  
**B.Tyler**

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 Signed:.....date.....  
 Chair.