

BROADWAY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Broadway Parish Council held in Broadway Village Hall on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 at 7.30pm

943. Attendance and Apologies:

Present: Cllrs Neate, Champion, Toms, Preece and Wilkins; Mrs Larsson (Clerk)
Apologies: Cllr Frayne and Jones; Somerset Council Cllr Osborne

944. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations: None.

945. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th June 2024

Minutes were approved unanimously by Councillors as a true record of the previous meeting.

946. Planning Applications

There were no new applications to consider.

The council noted correspondence relating to application 24/00153/FUL, Land OS 8332 Paulls Lane Broadway which councillors previously resolved to object to, has been recommended for referral to planning committee on the basis that highways issues from the previously refused application 18/03939/OUT not having been sufficiently addressed.

The Council's full responses to all planning applications are available to view against the respective applications on the Somerset Council planning portal [Link to Somerset Council planning portal](#)

947. Accounts and Financial Information

a. Financial statement to 31/5/24: RESOLVED to approve the financial statement. The reconciliation with latest bank statements was also checked and signed by Cllr Toms .

b. Payments requiring authorisation:

The Council RESOLVED to authorise the following payments:

Clerk salary & PAYE to 30/6/24 (restricted information under GDPR)	
2023/24 Payroll fee	£ 63.00
SLCC Membership for Clerk	£ 66.41
Grass cutting	£ 888.00

Investment of reserves: Having reviewed financial commitments councillors RESOLVED to re-invest £20,000 plus interest earned to a new 1 year fixed term bond with Cambridge & Counties bank.

948. Updates and Associated Actions

- Local Community Network: The LCN AGM was held on the 20th June. There were not enough voting members present to elect the chair or vice-chair for the following year, so this was deferred to the next meeting.
- Roads: Highways has advised that gully clearance on Broadway Road had taken place last year, but on inspection councillors do not feel this is the case as they are severely blocked. Highways to be contacted to attend and inspect them.
- Flooding: Nothing to report.
- Village Maintenance: The works to refurbish the phone box are expected to take place in the summer. Cllr Preece advised she has reported a number of issues on footpaths to Somerset Council. Cllr Toms advised the monthly defibrillator checks have been completed and the report sent.
- Playpark: Nothing significant to report from the inspections. The Clerk commented that the paint on the benches has started to peel so these will need to be addressed during general maintenance. The fence is now in place around the memorial tree and the plaque has been ordered. Cllr Champion will organise installation of the stone and plaque once it arrives.
- Community Group Updates: Cllr Wilkins advised he has made an initial visit to the Cricket Club.

949. Correspondence/Matters for Report

The Clerk confirmed that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return has been sent to the external auditors.

950. Items for the next meeting:

- a. Consider purchase of a SID.
- b. Review of parish noticeboards.
- c. Parish volunteering.

951. Playpark Fencing

Councillors considered quotations received and RESOLVED to proceed with installation of close board fencing along an approximate 20m length to secure the perimeter of the park, with a budget of up to £2300 + vat.

952. Playpark Path

The council in principle agreed with proceeding to install a permanent path surface, but as only one quote was available for review it was agreed to defer any decision to a later meeting once additional quotations were available.

Date of next ordinary meeting: Tuesday 3rd September 2024, 7.30pm. To be held at Broadway Village Hall.

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.02pm.

Signed

Date