Broadway Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Broadway Village Hall on 7th February 2023 at 7.30 pm

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**737 Attendance**: Councillors Gregory (Chair), Champion, Preece, Toms, Frayne, Clerk Fiona McKenzie and 2 members of the public.

**738 Apologies**: Councillor Baker, District Councillor Buckler, County Councilor Osborne and H and B Eco Group had sent their apologies.

**739 Public participation:** Nothing was raised.

**740 Declarations of interests:** Cllr Champion declared an interest in the planning application at Grinters Yard.

**741 Minutes:** The Council approved the minutes from the meeting held on 11th January 2023 as a true record to be signed by the Chairman.

**742 Matters arising**: Councillors agreed to do a village walkabout of Council assets at a date to be confirmed. It was reported that County Council surveyors have inspected the Suggs Lane bridge for work to replace the culvert to commence next year. Cllr Preece had seen the dog warden who was replacing bins in Horton and had requested that Broadway have similar, larger ones.

**743 Planning**: Cllr Champion left the room.

1. **22/03048/FUL:** **2 dwellings at Grinters Yard**: Council discussed the application and agreed it had no objection. Cllr Champion returned to the meeting;
2. **23/0050/FUL: Enclosure of farm yard at Hare Farm:**  No objection;
3. **23/00109/FUL: Extension to 2 Oaks, Broadway Road:** No objection;
4. **23/00135/HOU Change of roof design at Whitebridge, Pound Road:** No objection;
5. **Enforcement:** The Clerk was asked to chase up responses from SSDC to the 2 recent cases.

**744 Playing Field:**

1. It was reported that work on redeveloping the playing field is nearing completion and Councillors expressed themselves very impressed with how it is coming together. Once work is completed a safety inspection is required before the project can be signed off. The Council will then be invoiced by Wicksteed Ltd;
2. The Council agreed the quotation from Somerset Landscapes for the resurfacing of Lamparts Lane in the sum of £1,100 (ex VAT);
3. Cllr Champion briefed the Council on the arrangements with volunteers to refurbish the retained equipment, seats and bin;
4. Councillors agreed on a style and price for the new notice board;
5. It was agreed to set up a site meeting with the Horton and Broadway Eco Group on a planting scheme for the site, to be attended by Cllrs Gregory, Champion and Preece;
6. The Council are to discuss the arrangements for the opening day at the next meeting.

**745 Correspondence:**

1. The new Somerset Council’s proposals for Local Community Networks were noted;
2. The Council agreed the proposed response to the new Somerset Council’s proposals for community involvement in planning.

**746 Revision of Standing orders:** To be discussed at the next meeting along with the revised Code of Conduct.

**747 Councillors’ reports:** It was agreed to discuss the work needed on Varden’s Pond at the next meeting.

**748 Finance:**

1. Council approved payments for the Clerk’s salary and a donation of £600 to the PCC for maintenance of the churchyard;
2. Cllrs Gregory and Champion agreed to arrange the transfer of funds from the reserve account into current account once Wicksteed’s invoices are received;
3. Council to discuss the investment of reserves at its next meeting.

**749 Date of next meeting:** 7th March 2023.

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Date……………………………………