

Flax Bourton Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Monday 11th October 2021

Attending: Councillors Crawford, Moss, Walker, Coombs (chair)

039 Apologies: Councillor Merrick (work)

040 Declarations of Interest. None.

041 Public Forum. No members of the public in attendance.

042 Approval of Minutes. One amendment was agreed (034.21) delete 'Green Belt', insert 'green'. Resolved to **Approve**. Duly signed.

043 Finance and Personnel

- a) **Finance.** It was agreed that the monthly accounts statement would be held over to the next meeting. Invoices for approval were reviewed and **Agreed** for payment. It was noted that the Flax Bourton Hub would reimburse expenses from the date of its incorporation once a bank account had been set up.

- b) **Appointment of new Parish Clerk.** The appointment of a new Parish Clerk was discussed. There had been expressions of interest but we were still awaiting formal applications. It was **Agreed** that the deadline would be extended for a short period.

044 Allotment Provision

The provision of allotments was considered following a request from a resident. It was **Decided** that due to limited demand and lack of suitable land this would not be progressed at present.

045. Planning.

21/P/2565/FUH Wayside. The application had been previously considered and it was agreed to continue to **Support**.

21/P/2411/FUL Gilbert Scott House - proposed registered nursery. It was noted that previous objections relating to parking and other matters had been taken into account however in recognition of concerns of residents regarding the proposal it was agreed that the council would respond as **Neutral**.

046. North Somerset Local Plan

Councillor Moss reported that we are still awaiting information on the next stages from North Somerset Council. The Chairman agreed to speak to Councillor Canniford at North Somerset Council for an update on the situation.

047. Flax Bourton Hub (formerly village hall)

The Hub has now been registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). Councillor Moss will lead on preparation of a draft lease along the lines of the ACRE model lease.

048. Highways

- a) **Vehicle Activated Signs** We are still awaiting approval from North Somerset Highways. The chairman agreed to contact Councillor Solomon at North Somerset Council.
- b) **Pavements and Footways** Councillors Crawford and Walker reported that the situation regarding parking in Bourton Combe is improving. The situation will continue to be monitored. The cricket ground had been contacted regarding the cutting back of hedges along the A370. They have appointed contractors. North Somerset Highways have included the edging out of the pavement and the cutting back of the verges in their works programme.
- c) **Dust Clearance** The arrangements for dust clearance along the A370 will be raised at the Stancombe Quarry liaison meeting. Councillor Crawford agreed to attend if Councillor Moss is unavailable.

049. Date of Next Meeting

The date of next meeting was provisionally set for **Monday the 8th of November 2021** depending on the availability of a locum Clerk. A fallback date of the 11th of November was agreed.

The meeting closed at 8:20 PM.