

# MINUTES OF PILTON PARISH COUNCIL

## FULL COUNCIL MEETING

### held at Pilton Village Hall

### Wednesday 4 September 2024

**Present:** Cllrs R Woodhouse, N Hall, C Connock, T Moulder, L Roberts, K Sumner, T Hollings, R Noble.

**In Attendance:** G Pettitt, Parish Clerk. Three members of the public.

#### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- Thanks were given to the Parish Council and Playing Fields Trust for support to the Pilton Show.
- Thanks were given for the letter regarding Cockmill Barn.

#### 76. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies received from Cllr Powell, personal reasons.

**RESOLVED:** To approve apologies received from Cllr Powell and reasons given. Proposed Cllr Moulder, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Connock. Approved.

Apologies were also received from Cllr Sully, Somerset Council.

#### 77. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - There were no declarations of interest.

#### 78. DISPENSATIONS

- a. There were no dispensation requests.

#### 79. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. **RESOLVED:** To confirm and sign minutes of the Pilton Parish Council meeting of 7 August 2024. Proposed Cllr Woodhouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Moulder. Approved.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To confirm and sign minutes of the Pilton Parish Council meeting of 16 August 2024. Proposed Cllr Woodhouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Connock. Approved.

#### 80. EXTERNAL REPORTS

- a. Avon and Somerset Police - no report. Clerk to contact Avon and Somerset Police.
- b. Somerset Council - noted after Cllr Woodhouse read the report to the meeting.

#### 81. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS - the Chair noted that a site visit had been made to Cockmill Barn, that the planning decision will be going to Somerset Council Committee. Date is not confirmed.

#### 82. PLANNING

**RESOLVED:** Pilton Parish Council supports 2024/1460/FUL. Material Considerations: 9: The development provides for more parking spaces, 12: Provides accommodation for another family within the curtilage, with no change in roof height. The development has no adverse effect upon the listed building or the conservation area. Proposed Cllr Noble, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Moulder. Approved.

**RESOLVED:** Pilton Parish Council supports 2024/1430/VRC. Material Considerations: 3: The design is acceptable and overall impact does not affect the public amenity. Proposed Cllr Hollings, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Connock. Approved.

**RESOLVED:** Pilton Parish Council applauds the applicant for applying for planning permission for works that will not be seen publicly. Pilton Parish Council refers decision to the Planning Officer. Proposed Cllr Hollings, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Moulder. Approved with one abstention, Cllr Hall.

#### 83. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

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- a. **Burial Ground Working Group** - Routine inspections continue. The waste bin has not been emptied - the WG will organise this. Clerk will organise for the hedges to be cut. The grounds have been mown.
- b. **Parish Community Review Steering Group** - The survey is now live. Thanks to Cllr Connock for delivering the majority of the leaflets to households. The group will have a stall at the Pilton Show this coming Saturday. A big thank you to all on the Steering Group. The launch of the survey means that the group is halfway through its work. In the next phase the analysis will be used to formulate a suggested action plan. Analysis should be ready for the December Full Council.
- c. **Traffic Planning Working Group** - Some discussion about a hole at the side of the road at Cumhill, which is dangerous. County Roads will be informed. Barriers will be provided by S Russell-Yarde. Trees and bushes in Cumhill area need trimming. The Working Group has not met to make recommendations on parking; two members have surveyed village roads to measure feasibility of parking and passage of larger vehicles. The group will meet this month. Thank you to S Russell-Yarde for his help.
- d. **RESOLVED:** To suspend Standing Orders for item 83d. which was not on the agenda. Proposed Cllr Sumner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Woodhouse. Approved with one abstention, Cllr Roberts.

**Flooding Triad**

Heavy rain expected.

**RESOLVED:** That the community Flooding WhatsApp group be warned to be ready for potential ingress and to action flood plan measures. Proposed Cllr Woodhouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sumner. Approved.

A tree trunk remains in the river at the Weir Lane ford. Somerset Council will be informed.

**84. FESTIVAL FEEDBACK****RESOLVED:** To hold an Extraordinary Full Council to consider Festival feedback on 23 September, 6pm, at Pilton Village Hall, prior to the GFEL Liaison meeting scheduled for 16 October.**85. OVERGROWTH AND LOWGROWTH** - Summer vegetation continues to be a problem around the village. Cllrs to assess which areas require a cut. Cllr Connock will take photographs and provide what3words locations.**86. FINANCE**

- a. Noted £39,190 GFEL donation received. Noted that a High Interest Bank Account to be set up.
- b. Noted payments: £33.33 June meeting room hire; £80.00 Parish Online Annual subscription; £808.90 Salaries and payroll; £26 WFH allowance; £50.00 July meeting room hire; Microsoft annual subscription £66.66; £150 Internal Audit; £68.84 PDFSam. Proposed Cllr Woodhouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sumner. Approved with one abstention, Cllr Roberts.

**87. MATTERS OF REPORT**

- a. Articles for October Roundabout Magazine: Litter pick, hedge safety, Parish Plan, date of GFEL liaison meeting.
- b. Cllr Hall reported back from the LCN Planning for an Emergency training. He will provide notes at a later date.

**88. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

None required.

**89. CLOSED SESSION**

- i. Nothing to consider.

**NEXT MEETING:** Full Council - 2 October 2024