

## OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Oake Parish Council held on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2109**, commencing at 7.00 pm in the Oake Hall.

Present: Cllrs S.Davies; F.Dunn; F.Gully; C.Hillier; Mr. D.Gliddon ( Clerk); and 9 members of the public.

16/19 **Public Speaking Time** on agenda items

None

17/19 **Apologies**

Cllrs I.Ramus; A.Dyke; L.Peace; Mr J. McClennan (Footpaths Officer)

18/19 **Declarations/Interests**

None

19/19 **Minutes:** To approve and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 2019  
**The minutes were approved and signed as a true record by the Chair**

20/19 **Planning:**

- (a) **Case Ref: 27/18/0020/CQ PROPOSAL:** Prior approval for proposed change of use of three agricultural buildings to two detached and two semi-detached dwellings at Heathfield Nursery, Heathfield, Taunton.  
**The Council resolved to support the application and would await the receipt of more detailed plans.**
- (b) **Case Ref: 27/18/0021 Proposal:** Change of use of barn from agricultural to B1 use (light industrial) to A3 use (cafe/restaurant) at Heathfield Barn Workshops, Halse Road, Oake **(as amended by agents email and plans rec on 30/1/19.)** Amendments in connection with the red line around the site to include the hedgerow to the south and the existing parking at the site and the provision of Bicycle storage. Visibility splays at the access is also included on the revised plans.  
**The Council resolved to support the amendments.**
- (c) Feedback on Collier Planning Meeting with the Parish Council  
**The Council discussed the informal meeting held on 10/1/19 with Mr Collier and Mr Mitchell. It was resolved that the clerk would contact the agent explaining that the Council could not currently support the application due to serious reservations it had. The applicants would be invited to attend a future meeting of the Council in open forum.**
- (d) Update on **First Step Homes** application for new housing in Oake.  
No further updates were available.

21/19 Plans for the **Annual Parish Meeting** March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m.

**The list of speakers was reviewed. It was agreed to invite the Mayor of TDBC. Refreshments in the form of wine, cheese and nibbles would be provided, with Cllrs Davies and Dunn taking the lead. It was resolved to purchase the refreshments from the local shop as a show of support from the Council. Cllr Davies suggested a gift be presented to Rev Norris as she was leaving the Parish. This was agreed.**

22/19 **Outdoor Gym Equipment** Update

**Cllrs Davies and Hillier reported on the equipment available and the likely costs ( circa £10,000). It was resolved that a site meeting would be held with the village hall committee to assess a suitable location. The council would revisit this project in June.**

23/19 **Village Shop** request for Planning Permission, by the Parish Council, for new premises

**It was resolved that the shop would apply for Planning Permission, to extend part of the Village Hall, in the name of the Parish Council ( as landowners.) This was agreed. Draft "Heads of Terms" were discussed and agreed so that the shop could begin to access funding from both the Lottery and The Somerset Community Foundation. Future legal advice may be sought, if it is deemed necessary, for a lease agreement to be drawn up between the shop and the council.**

24/19 **Dog Mess issues in Oake**

**After discussion it was resolved that the council would run an awareness and education campaign through posters, social media, village news articles and dog warden patrols.**

25/19 **Report SCC**  
None

26/19 **Report TDBC**  
None

27/19 **Parish Council Elections** May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019  
**A timetable of dates and deadlines was circulated. The clerk would be in receipt of nomination forms by the March meeting.**

28/19 **Training**  
**More training would be available after the May elections.**

29/19 **Reports:**

(a) Police Report for January 2019

**This was circulated and noted.**

(b) Parish Plan

**A very successful meeting had been held recently; consultant advice would be providing “issues and options” for the group to consider. It was important for the local community to be fully involved in the process.**

(c) Footpaths

**No report**

(d) Traffic Calming

**No report**

(e) Village Hall

**It was reported that the car park needed attention as pot holes were getting larger. The committee were also investigating deterrents to stop unwarranted use. e.g. travellers**

30/19 **Finance** - To discuss/agree the following:

(a) Clerks Salary & expenses for January £209.31; HMRC £44.20; Taunton Citizens Advice £100.00; Somerset Wildlife Trust £62.40

**Agreed.**

(b) Finance update

**A summary sheet was circulated and agreed.**

(c) Memorial Wood Financial Support request

**It was resolved that Oake PC would not contribute at this stage. It was agreed to investigate and report back on the number of fallen during WW1 in Oake Parish.**

(d) Life Education financial request

**It was resolved to contribute £85.00 towards the cost of visits to the local school. The clerk would inform Bradford and Nynhead councils of our decision, in the hope they would contribute 1/3<sup>rd</sup> each.**

31/19 **Matters of Report.**

a) Chairman

**The chairman noted that a Woolway property in Oake Close would be used as a trial for renovation or demolition. All residents have been informed by TDBC.**

(b) Members of Council

**None**

(c) Clerk

**None**

32/19 **Correspondence**

**None**

33/19 Suggested topics for inclusion on **next meeting** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 6 p.m.

None

**The meeting Closed at 8.17 p.m.**