

MONKKEHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited the following people to address the meeting: There being no public attending the meeting, the Chairman opened the meeting.

Minutes of the Monkokehampton Parish Council Meeting that took place on Wednesday March 8th 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Old School Room.

Present: Chairman Councillor T Dennis, Vice Chairman Councillor S Smallacombe, Councillor P Fishleigh, Councillor B Pearce, Councillor V Allin, Councillor J Murrin, Councillor V Murrin.

Also Present:

- 1. To receive apologies for absence and consider if the reason for the absence should be formally approved by the council:** None received
- 2. To receive any Declarations of Interest from members:**
Councillors are reminded to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in any agenda items: None declared
- 3. To receive the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Wednesday January 4th 2023:**
Copies of which have been previously circulated to members and are to be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the previous meeting held on January 4th 2023. It was pointed out that Borough Councillor B Ratcliffe was not present and the Chairman and Clerk have signed the edited minutes.
- 4. Report by West Devon Borough Councillor:** not in attendance
- 5. Past subject matters for further discussion**
 - 5.1 [5.1] Air band: some poles have been set into place, mostly into the banks. There are no cables attached as yet.
 - 5.2 [9.1] Kings Coronation: it was decided not to have mugs but coins or medallions to give to the 20 parish children. The clerk has looked for some but there is a limited choice at the moment but it is expected other sources will be advertising soon. The clerk will contact Councillors Dennis, Murrin and Smallacombe when there are choices available.
 - 5.3 [9.2] Water around Vellaford Farm: this has all drained away and the road is clear.
 - 5.4 [9.3] Street Lighting: this is still a problem and the clerk was asked if she can contact them again and ask for it to be turned off at midnight.
 - 5.5 [9.4] Weeds: some people have taken notice and weeding has taken place. This all helps to keep the village tidy.
- 6. Clerks Report and Correspondence received:**
 - 6.1 Elections: the clerk reported that she will be receiving the election forms soon.
 - 6.2 Road Flooded: this has now dried up. The clerk discovered that if a road closure is caused by heavy rain fall then highways won't deal with this as an emergency. They state that the water will drain away by itself in time.
 - 6.3 Temporary road closure: the works have been completed.
- 7. Planning:**
None received

Signed:

Dated: 10/3/23

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8. Finance:

8.1 Statement of Accounts: Current Account: £12,537.29 Reserve Account: £6,791.89 The Clerk suggested that as the interest rate has increased it would be prudent to transfer some money from the Current Account to the Reserve Account. After some discussion a sum of £8,000 should be transferred over. The clerk will arrange this.

8.2 The clerk reported that a cheque written at the last meeting has not been cashed yet. Councillor Smallacombe said he would chase it up.

9. Matters for further reporting:

9.1 It was reported that the river is flowing better as a contractor from the Environment Agency has cleared the trees and other debris.

9.2 It has been reported to the Council that plaster is coming off the wall in the car park where the plaster is bulging. This is causing concern as it is dangerous and needs to be made safe.

10. Confidential Matters:

11. Date of Next Meeting May 10th 2023 APM & AGM

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed:

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10/5/23

Chairman Councillor