

LUCCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 20th July 2022 in Luccombe Village Hall

Attended by Mr H Harington (Chair) (HH) Mrs R Gande (RG) Mrs J Stapleford (JS) Mrs L Tisbury (LT) Mr J Dascombe (JD) Mr M Harding (MH) SCC S Pugsley (SP) and Mrs R Clements (RC) Clerk

2. Apols	Mr B Parker, SCC Councillor F Nicholson	
3. Mins 26.4.22	Having been previously circulated the minutes were agreed and signed.	
4. M. Arising	Item 7 the AGAR form which was signed has subsequently been destroyed as it should not have been signed at that time, a new form is ready for presentation. HH had not yet approached the speeding resident, situation to be monitored	
4a	AGAR section 1 Agreed and signed	
4b	AGAR section 2 Agreed and signed	
5.Reports	RG spoke about the hedge on the far side of the Stoney Street stream which has not been cut back since pre-covid. RC to ring Paul Camp. HH spoke about the effect on the cottages which are damp and dark in the summer with lights having to be turned on during the day. He had raised the issue with Stephanie Wilson of the National Trust but had been told that there was a specific breed of moth living in the hedge. The Clerk asked if regular users of the Church Walks Path could confirm that it is cut twice a year as claimed by the National Park. HH regularly uses it and said no, the Clerk had asked other users who also could not confirm a twice yearly cut. Charlotte Wray of the ENP to be contacted. The sign stating that there was no vehicular access to Webber's Post appears to be working, the summer holidays are approaching and hopefully the sign will continue to prove effective. Thank you to JS for organising it. The proposed turning space at the top of Stoney Street has been delayed due to changes in legislation. HH had contacted the proposed mobile phone mast people, regarding extending the cable to Luccombe, but they have a deadline for the works to be completed by the end of September and they will not have time. HH has approached Connecting Devon and Somerset to see if they can help. A general discussion regarding the parking situation in the village took place	RC RC

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1.SCC	Councillor Pugsley joined the meeting at 20.35 and gave apologies for SCC Councillor F Nicholson. He spoke about the Exmoor Highways Pilot, Richard Gay is the Highways Steward, Sam Murrell SCC has his contact details. There is a pot of money available if local Councils have a highways project that needs funding. The Exmoor Panel Meeting on 1st Sept 6:30 pm at Cutcome will include a meeting for Highway wardens. HH referred to the recent difficulties regarding the Planning Application for a campsite during which there was a lot of “Buck passing” between the ENP, The National Trust and Natural England. SP said we should copy him into correspondence regarding planning issues using his ENP address, he is Deputy Chair of the ENP and Chair of Planning. MH asked when the SCC was taking over as the Unitary Authority. SP advised that it would happen in April 2023. The main office would remain in Taunton and it was hoped that the offices in Williton would also continue to be used. Until then Andy Milne is still our SWT Councillor. There was also a discussion regarding the bulky and complicated Election Forms SP advised that Elisa Day, Electoral Services Officer SWT is the person to contact. SP left the meeting 20:55. LT also left the meeting	
6. Finance	The Bank reconciliation was agreed and initialled. Accounts for payment as per schedule Writery and the Clerk including PAYE	
7. Village Hall accounts	RG read the Village Hall Accounts and Report. Mr John Norledge has taken over as Treasurer and he negotiated an electricity supply contract with Utility Warehouse, which has reduced their electricity bills considerably. RG also said that the Jubilee Party had generated an interest in bringing back Social Evenings, jumble sales and raising money for the upkeep of the Hall.	
AOB	None	

The meeting closed at 21:10

Signed..... Chair Date.....

Signed Clerk