



BINEGAR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2022 in the Memorial Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Jon Abbott (Chair), John Bridges, Cath Law, Phill Roberts, John Scadding, David Stone, and David Wilson.

In attendance: Diane Abbott (Clerk) and Phillip Blatchford.

	Public Forum		
1	Apologies for absence The were no apologies for absence.		
2	Chair's Announcements The Chair made the following announcements: Parish Magazine The Chair informed the meeting that the January edition of the Parish Magazine would be the last.		
3	Declarations of interest There were no declarations of interest.		
4	Minutes It was RESOLVED to sign the Minutes of the 1 November 2022 meeting as a correct record.		
5	Local Government Reports There were no Government reports.		
6	Planning applications The meeting noted there were no planning applications for consideration.		
7	Financial matters 1. Financial Position The meeting noted the financial position to date. 2. Receipts noted since the last report £23.40 – C & G Collections – Textile Bank £1,000.00 – Thornhill Farm – Land rent £906.50 – Coombs – Land rent £371.52 – HMRC – VAT reclaim 3. Standing order payments noted since the last report £xxx.xx – Parish Clerk – November salary payment 4. Cheque/Online banking payments noted since the last report £530.00 – Combe Garden Maintenance – Grass Cutting £19.98 – D Abbott expenses – Light connector – Cemetery Christmas tree £60.00 – D Abbott – Contracted expenses £175.00 – J Griffin – Children's Party Entertainment 5. Quarterly Bank Reconciliation The meeting noted that the Quarterly Bank Reconciliation was due. John Bridges undertook to carry out the check.		
8	Budget and precept 2023-24 The meeting RESOLVED to approve the Budget and Precept of £10,000 for 2023-24.		



9	Playground The meeting noted the monthly playground report. The meeting noted the concerns about maintenance and David Wilson agreed to obtain a quote for repainting the Toddler Swing frame.		DW
10	Projects 1. Interpretation Boards The meeting noted there were no further updates. 2. Commemoration The meeting noted that a meeting had been requested with Brian Perry and the Clerk is awaiting a response from a local stonemason. 3. A37 Road Safety Phill informed the meeting he and Jon had met with Sara Davies, Somerset County Council Highways to progress the project and agree the location for the SIDs. A quote for the purchase of SIDs had been obtained – it was agreed at least one more was required. 4. Narrow Gauge Railway Footpath The meeting noted the Clerk has not received a response to correspondence sent. 5. Coronation Weekend – 6 May 2023 The meeting noted that there were no further updates.		DA
11	Binegar Bottom David Stone raised the issue of trees falling across the boundary fence. After discussion it was agreed to see if the Parish maintenance contractor would be able to fell the dead ash trees.		DA/ JA
12	Local Community Networks (LCN) Although more detail of the LCN was expected from the Unitary Authority in November nothing had been received.		
13	Remembrance Silhouettes Cath proposed that some Remembrance silhouettes should be purchased for the Parish. After discussion the Clerk agreed to get more detail for consideration at the February meeting.		
14	Events Attended Jon and Phill had met with Somerset Highways on 30 November to discuss A37 road safety.		
15	Highways and rights of way <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potholes at junction Tellis Lane and Station Road• Sunken manhole cover at junction A37 and Station Road• A37 viaduct		
16	Dates of future meetings 2023: 7 February, 7 March, 4 April, 2 May, 6 June, 4 July.		

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.52 pm.