

# CURBAR PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.00pm at the Wesleyan Reform meeting room.**

Cllrs present:	Martyn Games	Alexa Masterson-Jones
	Tony Crook	Caralyn Denver
	Rob Scott (Chair)	Charlotte Cooper
Others present:	Pip Gilbert (Clerk)	

**0924/01 Apologies for absence** – Anthony Boswell (PCSO), Cllr Hobson (DCC) and Kath Potter (PDNPA).

**0924/02 Variation of Order of Business** – None

**0924/03 Declarations of interest** – None

**0924/04 To determine if any items should be taken with public excluded** - None

**0924/05 Public participation** – None present

**0924/06 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 11 July 24** - It was resolved to confirm these as correct records.

**0924/07 Communications received not reported elsewhere on the agenda** – The Council noted the PCSO report received by email. They also acknowledged and noted the views expressed in an email received from Tom Cooper with respect to the biodiversity of the grass verges.

**0924/08 Planning applications** –

- a. Applications received after agenda set – NP/DDD/0824/0843 Gulshan, The Bent, Curbar – The Council has no comments on this application.

**0924/09 PDNPA local plan review** – Cllr Crook updated the Council on the progress of this review, noting that the full board has now received the paper. The Parish Council will be able to comment on the paper during the 10-week consultation period which starts in October.

**0924/10 Village picnic** – The Council discussed the feedback received from members of the Parish at this event. In particular the request for:

- play equipment such as a zip wire, climbing wall and something for toddlers
- benches
- a wildlife and/or community growing space e.g. orchard or vegetables
- information board including the geology of the area.

It was agreed for the Clerk to look into play equipment options and prices. Clerk to also investigate grants for trees and wildlife habitation. Chair also agreed to contact the Wildlife Trust on the matter.

The Council resolved to remove the exercise equipment after receiving feedback on them. The Clerk to investigate options.

**0924/11 Playing field matters** – The Council discussed the issue that dogs are not kept on leads in the playing field even though there are signs requesting this. No action was decided. Drainage of the playing field and a neighbouring property was discussed at length, the Council agreed to keep a watching brief on the matter.

**0924/12 Traffic matters** – Chair updated the Council that he had complained to Highways about several drainage issues in the village. Highways has not dealt with any of his complaints. The Council agreed to partake in the snow warden scheme this winter. Cllr Denver agreed to be the snow warden and it was agreed to request Harry White to continue as the snow clearance and gritting contractor.

**0924/13 District Council car park review** – The Council elected to complete this review on an individual basis only.

**0924/14 Curbar Well Dressing** – Cllr Cooper noted there is no further information.

**0924/15 Trough repairs** – The Chair and Cllr Crook informed the Council that they had now cleaned and repaired the trough. Cllr Crook also reported that he was regularly weeding the trough.

**0924/16 Clerk recruitment** – The Council accepted the Clerks resignation and noted their appreciation of her work. The Chair, Cllr Crook and Cllr Masterson-Jones agreed to be involved in the recruitment process with assistance from the current Clerk. The Council agreed for the job to be advertised as working from home and at the same pay scale as the current Clerk.

**0924/17 Statement of financial position** – The Clerk informed the Council that there is £14,733 in the bank before this months payment run.

**0924/18 Invoices for payment** - Following payments were approved:

- G E Davies £290 for July (paid) and £290 for August and £150 for installing benches
- W E Harrison £156 new Union flag
- Dean Hill £700 for strimming from April to August
- Rob Scott £49.58 for cement and timber posts
- EDF £76.50 direct debit
- Pip Gilbert £185.76 for August salary (paid) and £212.76 for September salary and expenses
- Marmax £1431.60 for new benches once arrived and are satisfactory.

Cllr Crook and Games agreed to approve the payment run. It was agreed to add Cllr Masterson-Jones as an authorised signature on the bank accounts.

**0924/19 Date of next meeting** Agreed as 7pm on 14 November at the Wesleyan Reform Church meeting rooms.

The Chair closed the meeting at 20.15pm.