



# AXMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL

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**A meeting of Axmouth Parish Council was held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019, at 7:00pm at Axmouth Village Hall**

## Minutes

### Those present:

Cllr Ken Steven      Cllr Morag Steven      Cllr Graham Mather      Cllr Chris Garrett  
Cllr Glenn Hyde      Cllr Paul Britton

**In attendance:** Becki Davey (Clerk) and two members of the public.

The Councillors were summoned to attend a meeting of the Axmouth Parish Council to discuss the following matters;

- 1) **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllr Nigel Daniel, Cllr Ian Hunt, Cllr Ron Badger, Cllr Ian Thomas (EDCC) and Cllr Ian Hall (DCC). Approved.  
  
Clerk confirmed that the meeting was quorate.
- 2) **Declarations of Interests:** None received.
- 3) **The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019:** were **approved** and signed as a true record.
- 4) **Items to be dealt with after the public, including the press have been excluded:** Councillors agreed that there were none.
- 5) **Public Forum:** Marc & Paula Smith have recently moved into the village and wished to introduce themselves to the Councillors and become involved in village life. Councillors welcomed them both to the village and meeting.
- 6) **Police Report:** No members of the force were present. A report for June had been received prior to the meeting. 3 CRIMES – 1 x Theft from motor vehicle & Criminal Damage – window broken & bag taken from delivery driver van Stepps Lane (2 crimes in one) 1 x Public Order - Neighbours arguing. 5 LOGS – 3 x public safety – branch in road, upset female from Rousdon located in Axmouth, Children in trouble in the water off Axmouth harbour (washed out to sea – needed air rescue by coastguard) 2 x transport – Road Traffic Collision & a broken down vehicle. The children in trouble in the water brought some attention, as RNLI and Coastguard attended and they required airlift out of the water.

The police are hopefully going to the schools to give a talk, along with Coastguard, to remind children of the dangers of the water and tombstoning prior to the summer holidays.

7) **To accept reports and agree actions on Highway matters:** Cllr Hyde reported the sight line at Boshill Cross (from Musbury) is so overgrown that vehicles need to pull out onto the main road to see if anything is coming from the Lyme Regis direction. A new resident at Axe View Farm has contacted the Council and DCC Highways concerning the lack of pavement outside their property and the speed with which vehicles drive through this section of the village. Highways have advised them that a neither a pavement nor a speed reduction is deemed necessary. Councillors are also concerned about the speed of vehicles within the whole village. It was recommended that those with concerns contact DCC highways direct. It was again confirmed that the road is not straight for long enough to try a speed camera. Highways have advised that there are no funds for the suggested platform at the end of Chapel Street. The post outside Haven Cottage has been knocked down. **ACTION: CLERK** to report to Highways.

8) **Financial Matters:**

- a) **To approve the financial statement to the end June 2019:** Councillors resolved to **approve** the financial statement.
- b) **To review quarterly budget:** The budget was reviewed – there are no areas of concern.
- c) **To consider grant request from TRIP:** Councillors agreed that on this occasion no grant payment would be made.
- d) **To approve the following payments:**

Mr John Widger	Cut & Strim Cornation Corner	CHQ	£ 270.00
Axmouth Village Hall	Hall Hire (April – June)	BACS	£ 42.00
Seaton Print & Design	Information Board Proof	BACS	£ 60.00

The Clerk also asked for the following payments at the meeting:

Mr G Hyde	Phone Box maintenance items	BACS	£ 52.79
Mr P Tuckley	Repairs to Bench towards Boshill Cross	BACS	£ 80.00

Councillors **approved** the above payments.

9) **Planning Applications and Correspondence:** No new applications.

10) **Coronation Corner – Update on furnishings:** Cllr K Steven advised Councillors that the 6ft bench has now been received. Cllr Hunt has previously offered to prepare a concrete plinth for this to be sited upon. Cllr K Steven advised Councillors that there is another bench in poor condition and proposed that the Council purchase an additional bench (at the cost of £368 inc VAT) so that both benches are placed on the green at the same time. Councillors **approved** the purchase of the additional bench. Councillors were advised that a plank on one of the picnic benches has rot. Marc Smith has offered to look at this. Cllr K Steven advised Councillors that the proof for the information board has been completed.

11) **Footpaths: Update on project and footpaths:** Cllr Daniel was unable to attend the meeting. Defer.

12) **Telephone Box: Painting of:** Cllr Hyde has purchased paint and undercoat for the phone box. Both people who Cllr Hyde contacted about the work are unable to carry it out. Marc & Paula Smith have offered to help with the prep and painting of the phone box. They will liaise with Cllr Hyde.

Councillors thanked them for their help. Cllr Hyde advised that there may be sundries required. The Clerk advised him to get them from Bradfords where the Council have an account.

- 13) **Roadside Benches: Update:** Phil Tuckley has repaired the bench towards Boshill Cross. Clerk is still discussing ownership of the land upon which the other bench sits with Bindon.
- 14) **No Overnight Parking – Squires Lane lay-by signage:** Clerk explained that South West Signs are happy to make another sign but cannot guarantee that they are able to site the sign in a manner to prevent theft again. Councillors should still like a sign but will put up themselves. **ACTION: CLERK** to advise SWS.
- 15) **Village Leaflet: Update:** Cllr Daniels has updated the information which has been proof-read by Cllr M Steven. The clerk will now get quotes for new leaflets to be printed.
- 16) **To accept reports and agree actions from the following:**
  - a) **County Councillor: Cllr Hall** was unable to attend the meeting. No report had been provided.
  - b) **District Councillor: Cllr Thomas** was unable to attend the meeting. See [www.trinitymatters.co.uk](http://www.trinitymatters.co.uk) for information.
  - c) **Parish Councillors:** Cllrs Hyde and Britton discussed the bin at Chapel Street. It is too small and is constantly full with additional waste being placed underneath. The Clerk advised them that it has been reported to Suez again and also EDDC have asked what size they should like there so as to provide a quote to purchase a larger bin. The Clerk suggested that if it was not possible for EDDC to provide a bin that the Council purchase a bin direct, once confirmation from Suez that they would empty the new bin is obtained. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact EDDC and get prices for a replacement, larger bin. Cllr Hyde is concerned about the condition of the posts alongside the brook and Chapel Street. It was agreed to have this as an agenda item for September. **ACTION: CLERK** to add to September agenda.
  - d) **Parish Clerk:** The clerk had issued a report prior to the meeting. Accepted.
- 17) **To accept any relevant correspondence:** All correspondence accepted.

**Next Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

The meeting ended at 7:58pm

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Chairman: .....