

**MINUTES OF THE BULFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 12 JUNE 2023**

Present: Cllrs D Morrison (Chairman), G Jenkins (Vice Chairman), S Cannon, S Turner M Ibbotson, M Tunnacliffe, B Alsop

Apologies: Cllrs: None

In attendance: Wiltshire Councillor M Verbinnen

Apologies by Representatives: WO2 D Wood - Support on behalf of Squadron Sergeant Major (SSM)

Council in Informal Session

1	<p>a. Cllr Verbinnen reported that Cllr Caroline Thomas, Wiltshire Councillor Cabinet Member for Transport, will host a webinar on 19th June 2023 from 6-7pm to find out more about how the council manages potholes in the county.</p> <p>b. A notice was recently served on the Travellers at Bulford Recreation Ground.</p>	
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Council in Formal Session

2	<p>a. Approval of the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Transitional Meeting held on Monday 15 May 2023 The Minutes were approved as a true record.</p> <p>b. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Transitional Meeting held on Monday 15 May 2023 Council agreed to approve quote options 3&4 submitted by Peter Roberts for the replacement of facias and deep flow gutter at a cost of £3,708.00. In addition, Council agreed to approve the quote submitted by Peter Roberts to re-felt the roof and re-use the existing roof tiles making good any damaged tiles, at a cost of £19,364.40. See Agenda Item 9 a 3&4. After further discussion, Council agreed that it was not best value to reuse the old tiles and resolved to replace with new roof tiles at a cost of £32,010.00. See Agenda Item 9 a 1. In addition, Council agreed not to replace the facias, but to have them cleaned and any defaults repaired reducing the cost to £1,500.00. The Parish Clerk received a reply from Avon Dale School regarding concerns raised about the perceived condition of the trees on the boundary of the school. The Parish Council were advised that an "arboricultural surveyor will be carrying out an assessment in the coming weeks of the trees and any remedial work for tress of concern will be carried out. Please bear in mind that the trees are under a preservation order and a maximum of 10% can be removed annually".</p>	
3	<p>a. Approval of the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Monday 15 May 2023 The Minutes were approved as a true record.</p> <p>b. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Monday 15th May 2023 None</p>	
4.	To receive Members' Declarations of Interest - None	
5.	Co-option of a new Councillor - None	
6.	Chairman's report	

	<p>b. <u>Council to consider a request received from the Childrens Air Ambulance to place a clothing reuse bank on the village hall car park</u> Council agreed to placing a clothing bank in front of the tennis court provided it will be placed on a firm base. The Clerk was actioned to make the arrangements.</p> <p>c. <u>Council to review Councillor Responsibilities including Representation on other bodies.</u> Due to time restraints this item was deferred to the July meeting.</p> <p>d. <u>Council to consider a response to the Wiltshire Bus Review Stakeholder Survey.</u> The Government have provided a £2.1M award to Wiltshire Unitary Council (WUC) for improvements to bus services within the county. WUC are therefore consulting by means of a survey. Cllr Jenkins had glanced the survey and, in his view, felt that Bulford Parish Council are probably not the right organisation to fill in the on-line survey. The questions are pitched toward a response from an individual. This may not be the case for larger towns and cities so it may be more appropriate for them to respond. Cllr Jenkins suggested that Council either respond collectively, using those who make use of the bus service on a regular basis, or nominate an individual bus service user within the Council to complete the survey. Cllr Jenkins was nominated as an individual user to complete the on-line survey.</p>	Parish Clerk
10.	<p>Reports by Councillors having Special Responsibilities including Representation on other bodies</p> <p>Parks Cemeteries and Allotments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report currently 	
	<p>Highways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SID will move to the bottom of Milston Road. Cllr Jenkins has written to the Governors of Kiwi School enclosing a copy of the data report based on their first dataset. Some progress has been made in the filling of potholes. 	
	<p>Town & Country Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PL/2023/03616 7 Water Street – Replacement fencing with new gates. No objection with the following comment: Bulford Parish Council has no objection to this planning application providing the upright steel supports are trimmed to the height of the fence or gates as appropriate and are fully clad in matching timber. Additionally, all steel supporting structures are painted to match the timberwork. Bulford Parish Council also advises that the bi-fold gates are constructed to open inwards so as not to encroach onto the highway. PL/2023/03503 River Avon, South of Countess roundabout to point North of Totterdown Clump, adjacent to Woodhenge and to include access works to Ratfyn and from Bulford. Proposed works to the Hampshire Avon, involving the restoration/habit improvements to a 3km length of the Hampshire and Avon (upper). A portion of the land in the application lies at the western boundary of Bulford. Application Supported. Five Year Land Supply and Housing Delivery Test. Bulford Parish Council received an updated Wiltshire Unitary Council (WUC) Spatial Planning positional report showing that it has identified enough areas for housing development to cover 4.6 years. In essence this is irrelevant to Bulford 	

	as we can only achieve organic development within our area as we are surrounded by MoD land. For this reason, Bulford will not be included in the targeted areas for housing development unless the MoD chooses to start selling off land within the parish. There is no reason for Bulford Parish Council to review its decision and choose to put together a costly local plan.	
	Parish Steward Liaison <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Parish Steward will be repairing potholes. 	
	Rights of Way - No report currently	
	Village Maintenance Contract – Gavin Jones Ltd to cut back overgrown weeds and grass at the BMX Track	
	Village Hall Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Cannon gave Council an overview of the Village Hall improvement works and order of priority, with the focus on the roof. The work to the roof is expected to start at the end of August. This matter is ongoing. 	Cllr Cannon
	Area Boards (representation on "Other Body") - No report currently	
	Young People's Recreational Facilities (Caretaker to report through the Clerk) – No report currently	
	Police Liaison – No report currently	
	Supervision of Parish Accounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next review is planned in July 2023 by Cllr Ibbotson. 	Cllr Ibotson

Date of the next meeting

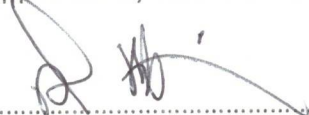
Monday, 10th July 2023

N. A. Grove

Date: 22nd June 2023

Clerk to the Council

Approved by Council as a true record



Date 10 Jul 2023

Chairman of Bulford Parish Council

