

MORCHARD BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Meeting 10 May 2021

Present: David Grant, Dawn Parkhouse, Les Partridge, Sarah Gillbard, Sheila Sinclair, David Gillbard, Derek Horn, Andy Hankins, Alasdair Cameron, Sheila Mannings, David Parker (Parish Clerk), County and District Councillor Margaret Squires, District Councillor Elizabeth Wainwright.

Apologies: Steve Watson

No members of the public attended.

1. David Grant was elected as Chairman, proposed Dawn Parkhouse, seconded Derek Horn, unanimous. David Grant took the chair and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman.
2. Dawn Parkhouse was elected Deputy Chairman, proposed Derek Horn, seconded Sheila Sinclair.
3. Then followed the election of officers:

Officer	Current Officer
Bad Weather Warden	Andy Hankins
Churchyard Committee	Les Partridge
Memorial Hall Committee	vacant
Parochial Church Council	Dawn Parkhouse
MB Playing Field Association	Alasdair Cameron
MB Sports and Social Club	Alasdair Cameron
MB School	Sheila Sinclair

All officer holders were elected *en-masse*, proposed Derek Horn, seconded Les Partridge, carried unanimously.

Dawn Parkhouse signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Deputy Chairman.

The Parish Paths Partnership (P3) was elected *en-masse* will consist of:

Chairman: Neale Meade
 P3 Coordinator: Jackie Patten
 Volunteers: Sonja Andrews, Roger Field, Claire Proietti,
 Massimo Proietti, Paul Trimming.
 Parish Council Rep: David Parker

Proposed: Derek Horn, Seconded: Les Partridge, carried unanimously

4. The Minutes of the 2019 meeting were agreed as accurate, Proposed: Les Partridge, Seconded Alasdair Cameron. The Chairman signed those minutes.
5. Clerk's Report. (Two Years)

For the year 2019-20

The attendance at Parish Council meetings was 89.02%.

A total of 26 planning applications were discussed, 4 were Listed Building Consents, others were Extensions / Modifications (6), barn conversion (1), Class Q (2), agricultural store/building (7), variation of plans (Class Q) (3), Change of Use (2) Replacement House (1).

Projects completed during the year include St Gatien Garden Wall and a Re-furbishing the Seats around the village, a First Aid Course and a Housing Needs Survey.

On-going Projects are the Grant application for a renewed play area,

The financial aspects of the year were presented to the meeting and accepted.

For the year 2020-21

The attendance at Parish Council meetings was 86.17%.

A total of 31 planning applications were discussed, 6 were Listed Building Consents, others were Extensions / Modifications (5), barn conversion (2), tree felling and reduction (5), agricultural store/building (3), outline permission for twenty new dwellings (1), Class Q application (1), Poly tunnel (1), Variation of Plans (1), Change of Use (Land) (1), Siting of a Composting Toilet (1), Revised Drawings/Applications (4).

Projects completed during the year include the Emergency Response team for the COVID-19 Pandemic, we enabled tree planting across the Parish, bought litter pickers for the community to use, we provided two new covered noticeboards, considered changes to the Electoral Ward Boundaries, considered proposed changes to the Planning System, we had a talk from District Planners about the "Q Application process", we had a talk from "Connecting Devon and Somerset Broadband Provision", we refurbished the phone box at Frost and Reviewed our own Governance Documents.

The Grant application for a renewed play area project was handed over to the Playing Fields Association.

Ongoing Projects are the Heart of Devon Climate Action Group, The Heart of Devon Community Energy Group formed to build a community Wind Turbine, A new Defibrillator at Frost, Campaign for better Broadband connection, an Electric winder for the Church Clock and Chimes.

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The meeting ended at 7.53pm