

SOUTH POOL PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 13th July, 2020 in the Church Village Hall at 6.30p.m.

**Present – Cllr. J. Milne, B. Perrett, M. Warren, P. Wotton , F. Green
in the chair, Cllr. J. Brazil, 2 Members of Public.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting the first to be held following the lockdown for the Corona virus (Covid19) from March. Social distance, hand sanitizing and a one way system were observed.

- 1. Apologies – Cllr. Hirst.**
- 2. Declarations of Interest Item 8 Planning Application – 1811/20/HHO
Cllr. Milne.**
- 3. Public Participation – Potholes –** the Potholes along Scoble Plain have been repaired except one, Cllr Milne will report this one.
Planning – drainage – Cllr. Wotton gave a report on the drainage system at Middle Coombe with reference to surface water drainage and items to be aware of in future planning applications.
Cllr. Brazil stated there will have been drainage conditions, if a problem occurs contact the Environment Agency & SW Water.
Hemlock Weed – A Member of the Public raised awareness of the problem of this weed growing along the back stream banks. This is a poisonous weed but not notifiable to the authorities. It was explained to the Parishioner that the removal of this weed is the responsibility of each landowner, the Parish Council do not own any of this land or the stream. Cllr. Brazil warned against erecting any warning notices. Item 9 on the agenda is Hemlock.
- 4. Cllr. Brazil's Report –** This is the second face to face meeting he has attended. **SHDC** would like feedback on how they could have helped further during the lockdown period. All agreed the waste collection had been excellent and South Pool had received a grant of 250.00 for material for facemasks, sown by volunteers. The South Pool and Surrounding Villages help group organized by Andie Day had worked really well.
Job Centres – Government has promised more money for Job Centres, concern was shown that there is no Job Centre locally.

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5. Minutes – Minutes of meeting 02.03.20. were approved and signed.

6. Clerks Report/Finance/Audit. - The Clerk thanked Cllr. Milne for his help during lockdown.

Finance – Current Acc – 341.09. Business Acc.- 12,794.00.

Lloyds bank interest will fall to 0.1% from 01.08.20.

Payments made during lockdown –

DALC – subscription - 59.93.

EDF Electricity - 89.95 - 04.04.20

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Community First - 282.94 - Insurance – 2nd. yr of 3 agreement

SHDC - 76.12 Uncontested election/ Clerks Visa.

The above cheques were signed by Cllrs. Milne and Green.

Sign cheques 13.07.20 - 10.50 – J. Green Expences.

76.12 – J. Green – Reimbursement SHDC.

Report – Parish Council Insurance – Cllr. Milne and the Clerk had checked the renewal policy for the P.C.Insurance and renewed this policy for the 1st June 2020 to 31st May 2021.

Condolence and Thank you on behalf of the Parish Council –

Condolence to Brenda Elliott.

Thank you to Andie Day and helpers for organising The South Pool and Surrounding Villages Corona Support Group, an invaluable service to us all during this time, organised and run so well.

Thank you to Christine Milne for supplying beautiful hanging baskets at the bridge again this year.

Cllr. Warren for replanting the flower boxes on The Square.

Robert Wells for helping Cllr. Wotton with the finger post project.

Linda Wotton for carrying out our Internal Audit again this year

Presentation of Accounts – Copies of the accounts were circulated before the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. Wotton, seconded by Cllr. Milne, passed unanimously the accounts be accepted.

Audit – The Internal Auditor had carried out a successful audit and congratulated the PC on their accounting.

The Accounts have now been placed on the website and notice board and advertised for public inspection. This date is later this year.(Covid19)

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Audit Contd. – AGAR – It was proposed by Cllr. Milne, seconded by Cllr. Perrett that the PC apply for Exemption from External Audit passed unanimously. (AGAR) SPPC turn over is less than 25,000 so qualify for this exemption.

Audit Governance Statement – The Councillors agreed to all parts of the Governance Statement.

The Clerk will now arrange for all documents to be placed on the website and the AGAR returned to the External Auditor.

- 7. Vice Chairman/Chairman's Report – The Chairman** thanked Vice Chairman Cllr. Milne for standing in as Chair during his recent illness. He had recently received notification from T. Charlton re changes to Little Lower Combe's five bar gate. Repairs to seat at Pitching stones had to be put on hold, Cllr. Wotton & Cllr. Milne will help with this project.
- Vice Chairman** – reported Signs had been erected during the Covid19 crisis and cones placed around the bridge area..
- Projector – he will contact a Parishioner for advice before the next meeting.

8. Planning application -1612/20/HHO – Erection of garden room Spindleberry, South Pool.

It was unanimously agreed to SUPPORT this application
Comment – Condition of planning permission – Must NOT be used for ancillary accommodation.

**8. Planning application – 1811/20/HHO – Prowses, South Pool
Addition of unheated glass conservatory with sliding glass doors.**

It was unanimously agreed to SUPPORT this application.
Comment – A Condition of planning permission must be
No internal lighting, reason – to protect our dark night sky
Policy within South Pool Conservation Area.

- 9. Hemlock growing on the stream banks** – Following discussion in Item 3 – Public Participation it was unanimously agreed to send A letter from the Parish Council to all parishioners living along Side the stream to make them aware of this weed and remind them It is the landowner's responsibility to manage the stream banks..

Chairman.