

SOUTH MILTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25th NOVEMBER 2019

OPS

1. Present/Apologies: Cllrs M. Brice, T. Lewis, G. Collyer, P. Booker, A. Berryman, D Clift (SMPC) and Cllrs J. Pearce and M. Long (SHDC) all present. Attending for the National Trust was Jess Tatton-Brown. Apologies were received from Cllr R Luscombe (SMPC) and Cllr R Gilbert (DCC).

2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th October 2019 had previously been circulated and were taken as read. They were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising not raised in agenda items below

Ponding at Lane End: This has been reported officially to Highways and RG has followed it up on our behalf. The Clerk has raised the matter with West Alvington Parish Clerk. Unfortunately the 'Flood' signs had been removed following a short spell of dry weather but we had asked for them to be returned. Adam Keay had confirmed that it would be months before a full survey of the cause of the problem there would be undertaken.

4. Declarations of Pecuniary or Other Interests on agenda items None

5. Possible Speeding Controls through village

Councillors support the idea of putting up posters through the village and the Clerk will contact some children to become involved.

6. Review of Public Spaces Byelaws

No request for comment on this review had been received. JP confirmed that the review had been delayed.

7. Planning matters None

8. Defibrillator

- Mrs J Howey, the current contact for the defibrillator, had been contacted by SW Ambulance Trust to advise that our device would have to be replaced in September 2020. Cost of supply of new device and package to include training and maintenance is £1,800 + VAT. The Clerk had negotiated a special price of £1,000 + VAT by joining with other parish councils.
- It was agreed that we would investigate why these devices had to be renewed at four-yearly intervals as they have little or no use and therefore do not wear out.
- It was resolved that SMPC would become the lead on any fundraising required. SMPC pledged £500 and other village groups will be approached.

9. South Milton Sands/National Trust

- Jess went through the minutes of the recent Joint Working Group minutes.
- More car park staff this season meant that congestion was greatly reduced. Suggestion of leaflet for drivers when car park full showing locations of nearby alternatives.
- Café: As previously reported, significant reduction in offer to reflect feedback from the Council and the public; table service limited to Inside tables till 6pm. Heavily reduced daytime menu and consolidated evening menu resulting in reduced need for storage. Takeaway menu has been streamlined – quick, cheap and simple. Positive feedback so far. Plans to move takeaway from one end of servery to the other but the tenant is responsible for seeking planning permission etc.
- Concerns re increased litter due to takeaway element: the Trust confirmed the café is responsible for all refuse and new recycling bins have been installed.
- Toilet: discussions with SHDC are ongoing.
- Management Plan: little progress to date but AONB will take the lead on behalf of the Trust.
- Passing bays and junction: Agreement with farmers re cutting back earlier in the season.

10. County Councillor's Report

- **RG** passed on reports of road closures etc very regularly and also supported our requests for maintenance in particular at Lane End.

11. District Councillors' Reports

- **JP** reminded the meeting that dog waste may now be put in general litter bins but she was still anxious to have bins specifically for dog mess to be placed in South Milton and Thurlestone. Although they are more expensive, they are more suitable in coastal and beachside locations as they would hopefully deter the public from leaving their litter. It is felt that general bins encourage litter to be left.

12. Finance

MB had been in touch with Mr A Woollam and asked him to do tree work in the cemetery and the church bank. He will also be asked to tidy the little area at the far end of Backshay Close leading to the path.

Mr P Field had organised the poppy and flowers display at the memorial and he has been thanked.

Mr A Hammett will start doing some routine clearing of drains and gullies, and sweeping in and around the centre of the village. New broom has been purchased.

- Payments to approve

South Milton Village Hall rent	30.00
P Field (flowers)	14.00
M Brice (broom)	16.98
Clerk's salary October	210.00
- Bank Account Status After approval of the above cheques, balances at bank were £17,677.55.

13. Date of next meeting – Monday 27th January 2020 at 7.30 pm.

OPS None

Approved..... Date.....
(Chairman)