



Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Preston on Stour Parish Council

Held on: Thursday 19th January 2023 at 7:30pm
Place: Preston-on-Stour Parish Hall

Present: Cllrs Will Spencer (Chair), Anna Corser (Vice-Chair), Lester Smith, James Seccombe

In attendance: Laura Callow (Parish Clerk)

Members of the public: 1

64/22 **WELCOME and APOLOGIES** -Elizabeth Jonsson, CC Izzy Seccombe, DC Penny O'Donnell

65/22 **Declaration of Interest** - there were none to receive

66/22 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary meeting from 24th November 2022 were **confirmed** and **signed**.

Proposed: Cllr Spencer **Seconded:** Cllr Corser **All in favour**

67/22 **Open Forum** - Nothing to discuss

68/22 **Alscot Estate** - Tom asked if the Parish or Village will be doing anything for the Kings coronation as the Estate would like to contribute. Tree planting is underway, 6000 trees of different varieties are being planted currently. Planning application for roofs for lodge houses has been accepted and work to start soon. Solar application is currently still being looked at. The cricket club has sent a lease to Warwick third to take on the cricket club. The Estate will be consulting with SDC regarding development of all the redundant buildings in Preston.

69/22 **DC Penny O'Donnell** - No report received

70/22 **CC Izzy Seccombe** - No report received

71/22 **Ownership of Village Greens**- still ongoing, Cllr Spencer is keeping up to date with this matter.

72/22 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- i. The financial report was discussed and agreed
- ii. Bank Reconciliation
- iii. **ADDITION** - Mowing of Village green quotes discussed and a decision of using John Cawley was made due to his flexibility.
- iv. **Budget**-The suggested budget with total spends of £7235 for 23/24 was agreed. Councillors further agreed that given the current situation it would be appropriate to set the precept at £6000 and then use some of the current reserve to make up the rest.

Proposed Cllr Corser

Seconded Cllr Seccombe

All in favour

v. 4 invoices were approved for payment

Inv 35	AED (Defib Pads)	£126.75	Approved before meeting
Inv 36	Parish Clerk Wage	£312.40	
Inv 36	HMRC	£12.60	
Inv 37	Setsquare Creations	£120.00	
Inv 38	Setsquare Creations	£540.00	

Proposed Cllr Spencer

Seconded Cllr Corser

All in favour

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Planning

- i. **22/03578/Tree 50-51 Church House Road- No Objection** -Preston on Stour Parish Council have no objection to the proposed tree work BUT the area marked as track on the sketch plan is in fact part of the Village Green which is owned by the Parish Council and ask that any vehicular access to the site across this area is agreed with the Parish Council in advance so that no damage is caused to the Village Green. Previously submitted to SDC on 03/01/23.
- ii. **22/00114/OUT Willicote Farm- Object-** Preston on Stour Parish Council has always opposed this application and does so even more now as the recent additions will encourage even higher visitor numbers. Coming on top of what we consider to be over development along the B4632 this venture will very much increase traffic congestion. No viable compensatory road infrastructure has been agreed. For these reasons we strongly object to this application. Submitted to SDC on 19/01/23.

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Councillors Reports and items for future agendas

- i. **20 is plenty** – Cllr Corser gave a brief update on any new information she had been given and will continue to update us as and when needed.
- ii. **May Election** – will need to decide in the next couple of months as nomination papers need to be submitted to SDC in early April. Suggestion of putting leaflet out with Parish Magazine in February.

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DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

- o 16TH March 2023 at 7.30pm

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TO CONSIDER CLOSURE OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The meeting was closed at **08.46pm**

Proposed: Cllr Spencer

Seconded: Cllr Corser

All in favour

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PERSONNEL and CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

SIGNED:

