

PRIDDY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH AMENITIES, COUNTRYSIDE AND RECREATION
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17th OCTOBER 2012**

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: THE NEW INN, PRIDDY @ 7.30PM

	Present: Rachel Thompson (Chair), Matt Clarke, Tina Bath, Alan Hutfield.	
1	<u>Apologies for absence:</u> Kate Greet, Richard White, Robin Maine, Jean Mulchinock.	
2	<u>Public Forum:</u> The meeting will be adjourned for 5 minutes to allow public participation. No members of the public were in attendance.	
3	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> Tina recorded a personal interest in the matter of Priddy Circles.	
4	<u>Resolutions relating to the conduct of the Meeting:</u> None.	
5	<u>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 19 th September 2012 were accepted and signed as a true record.	
6	<u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting:</u> a: PARC project list: The updated list had been circulated. b: "A" boards outside New Inn: Matt and Rachel had had a discussion with George from the New Inn and explained the situation concerning the bye-laws. George had subsequently written asking for permission to site the A Board. This matter to be passed to the Parish Council for consideration. Tina queried the PCs insurance liability and felt that signs shouldn't be placed on the green. Matt felt that the PC should support local businesses where possible. The clerk to check and advise on insurance liabilities in this and similar situations. c: Sheepwash Area: Martin Edwards had quoted for clearing the area but had advised that it was too wet to carry out the works at present. The use of the stone from the area in the proposed gateways was considered; Martin Edwards to be asked to assess whether the stone was suitable. It was agreed that, if possible, a date should be arranged for volunteers to clear the area and place the stone onto pallets. Rubbish to be placed into a skip for removal. Rachel to prepare an SDF application for volunteers, digger and skip. Tina expressed her concern about the removal of an historic area.	Agenda/ PC Clerk RMT

	<p>d): Village Gateways: It was agreed that further quotes should be sought for the gateways, Matt had spoken to a number of parties about building the walls. Clerk to pass copies of the specification onto Matt.</p> <p>Any other matters arising will be dealt with under Agenda items 7 – 12.</p>	MC/Clerk
7	<p><u>Village Greens (Robin Maine)</u></p> <p>a: Village Green drainage: The finance committee had selected D Gibbons as the contractor to carry out the works, the clerk was awaiting confirmation of the grant from PFF before instructing Gibbons to proceed.</p> <p>b: Reinstatement of lower green: Clerk to ascertain the cost of using Gibbons subsoiler machine for inclusion in the budget.</p> <p>c: Kerbing project: This was in hand.</p> <p>d: Review of village greens maintenance: Additional quotes were still required for this work.</p> <p>e: Location for opening Hunt meet: It was hoped that the gravelled area in front of the New Inn could be used, hunt to liaise with Robin Maine before the opening meet.. The green was now roped off and it was agreed that a letter should be drafted for circulation to the Hunt and Friendly Society pointing out the need to prevent traffic on the green during forthcoming events.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8	<p><u>Highways, Verges and assets (Tina Bath)</u></p> <p>a: Highways/Assets Report: Tina requested a copy of the most recent asset register for review.</p> <p>Tina to check on an apparent drainage problem in Pelting outside Chinewood. It was also noted that there was flooding in a number of other places including at the turn to the Glider Station off the Cheddar Road which had been reported a number of times before.</p> <p>b: Wild flower project: deferred.</p> <p>c: Defibrillator: Alan H had prepared the inspection schedule which was to be passed onto Lilly Neal who would undertake regular inspections.</p> <p>A training event was proposed for 17th November and it was hoped that this could also be a fund raising event for Duncan Massey as a first responder; Alan H to organise final details.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>AH</p> <p>AH</p>

9	<u>Rights of Way, Commons, Open Spaces (Rachel Thompson)</u> a) Dark Lane / Priddy Pool restoration project: The clerk circulated a draft specification for the proposed excavation works. Figures/quotes to be obtained as soon as possible for an SDF application to be made. Martin Edwards also to provide quote for cutting back the trees to the edge of the pool. b) PPLO ROW report: no report.	Clerk/RMT
10	<u>SSSI's (Jean Mulchinock)</u> a) Mineries signs project: Nothing to report	
11	<u>Ancient Monuments (Kate Greet)</u> a) Priddy Circles update: Nothing to report	
12	<u>Caves (Alan Hutfield):</u> Nothing to report	
13	<u>Committee Business:</u> a: Car park adjoining village hall: The clerk had spoken to the planners who had requested a drawing/location of the area before advising if the site was suitable. Alan B and Alan H to meet on site on 20 th October to set out proposed area.	AB/AH
14	<u>Recommendations to the Parish Council:</u> Matter regarding A Board outside New Inn	
15	<u>Matters of Report:</u> None	
16	<u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u> 21 st November 2012; 7.30pm; venue to be confirmed.	

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

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