

**PRIDDY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH AMENITIES, COUNTRYSIDE AND RECREATION  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2013**

**VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: THE HUNTERS LODGE INN, PRIDDY @ 7.30 PM**

	Present: Rachel Thompson (chair), Alan Hutfield, Richard White, Matt Clarke, Robin Maine, Kate Greet; also in attendance Alan Butcher (Clerk)	
1	<u>Apologies for absence:</u> 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 present.	
3	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> None.	
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 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record.	
6	<u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting:</u> a: Village gateways signage: the clerk to circulate results of consultation which finished today. Results to be included on Parish Council agenda. b: Car park adjoining village hall: additional information had been collated as requested by Mendip DC.  Any other matters arising will be dealt with under Agenda items 7 – 12.	
7	<u>Village Greens (Robin Maine)</u> a: Top Green condition, installation of dragons teeth or other surface protection: The top green condition had improved, it was agreed to topsoil the various areas during the school holidays. A meeting to be arranged with Neil Corp regarding the top green roads and other highway issues including the soiling of Pincross. b: Village green events in 2013: confirmation was required that the Folk Festival contingency plan was in place. c: Hurdle Stack replacement: hurdles would be ready shortly, confirmation as to whether they will be delivered or collected; clerk to confirm. New thatching to be used, Robin to contact thatchers via Judith Coles. It was agreed to keep a record of the number of hurdles, type of thatching, etc.	

		Rachel to order the two new benches and the clerk to source new sign; final wording to be circulated.	
8		<u>Highways, Verges and assets</u> a: Highways/Assets Report: Meeting with Neil Corp to be confirmed. It was noted that the verges had yet to be cut and there were road safety issues on the A39 junction at Blue Doors because of this. b: Verge erosion including Pincross triangle and Pelting: matter to be raised with Neil Corp.	
9		<u>Rights of Way, Commons, Open Spaces (Rachel Thompson)</u> a) Dark Lane / Priddy Pool restoration project: concern was expressed about the apparent loss of water from the pool following the dredging resulting in a low water level. Robin and clerk to look at works required to reinforce/raise the level of the dam. Martin Edwards to be asked to give a price for works to Dark Lane. b) PPLO ROW report: Richard had walked most of the footpaths and would prepare a report in due course.	
10		<u>SSSI's (Jean Mulchinock)</u> a) Mineries signs project: deferred	
11		<u>Ancient Monuments (Kate Greet):</u> Nothing to report.	
12		<u>Caves and Fracking (Alan Hutfield):</u> comments were made about the recent film shown in the village hall on the subject.	
13		<u>Committee Business:</u> a) Project funding: confirmation of funding levels to be agreed for forthcoming projects.	
14		<u>Recommendations to the Parish Council:</u> None	
15		<u>Matters of Report:</u> it was agreed to look again at the registration of Pincross land possibly with a different solicitor and via the OSS. It was noted that there had been two accidents, one fatal, at The Miners Arms crossroads recently.	
16		<u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u> 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2013; 7.30pm; venue Hunters Lodge Inn, Priddy.	

The meeting closed at 9pm

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