

BICKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the Regular meeting held on 12th February 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Bickington .

Present; Cllrs Briddock (Chair) ,Bruckner , Cox , Warren and White. District Cllr Nutley
Clerk - Karen Gilbert 3 Members of the Public

24/02/01 - Apologies - Cllr Meek **APPROVED.** ALSO Dist Cllr Rogers

24/02/02 - To elect a Chairman -

Cllr Briddock was elected to serve and signed the acceptance of Office

24/02/03 Declaration of Interests - Cllr White in Planning - Chipley Heights Farm

Standing orders were suspended

24/02/04. Public participation

Bill Allen - DNPA ranger attended to update the Council on the work of the National Park rangers . He commented on the flytipping and damage to Ramshorn Down by vehicles - advising of the preventative measures being considered . Bill spoke on the work to the Rights of Way and also alerted the Public to the oncoming lambing season when Dogs needed to be kept until strict control

A Parishioner requested the percentage increase in the precept for 24/25

He also wanted details of the Staffing cost

ACTION ; CLERK TO EMAIL THE PARISHIONER

24/02/05 District / County Cllr reports

Cllr Nutley -

Residents were encouraged to comment on the council's priorities via its annual budget survey. The majority of Teignbridge residents look set to have an expected council tax rise cancelled out thanks to a planned cost-of-living payment to households. The district council, which receives nine per cent of a household's total council tax payment, is proposing to increase its portion by 2.99 per cent in the next financial year – an annual rise of £5.54 for a band D property.

However, to help with the cost of living, Teignbridge plans to give all households liable for council tax on their main home a one-off payment of £5.54. The payment, which will need to be agreed by the council, would be universal for properties in bands A-H, including those that are on 100 per cent council tax support. It is estimated this could cost the council in the region of £330,000 plus administration costs.

If the draft budget is approved this month, councillors will continue to provide 100% council tax support to those who need it most through its council tax reduction scheme and will for a second year provide £20,000 for town and parish councils to support local cleanliness initiatives through the 'Tidy Teignbridge' scheme.

Councillors also want to continue to invest in the Teignbridge 100 affordable and social housing initiative which has seen the first council houses built in the district for decades.

Standing Orders were re-instated

24/02/06 - Minutes of January 2024 meeting

The Minutes from the Bickington Parish Council meeting held on 8th January 2024 were approved and signed

24/02/07 - PC ADMIN

a) To note that John Nutley is DNPA contact for Bickington PC - **NOTED**

b) To note the Annual Parish Meeting will take place on 11th April 2024 - **NOTED**

**POST MEETING NOTE - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING TO BE HELD ON 8TH APRIL
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED IN 03/24**

24/02/08 - Clerk's report

The Clerk advised that she had reported the issues at Goodwill to TDC enforcement and also Highways

24/02/09 - Update on progress regarding the bus shelter on old A38

The Bus shelter had been delivered to a nearby site - **NOTED**

A quote was accepted - For the removal and disposal of the old Bus shelter on the old A38 and replacement with the one provided. Concrete and 6mm Tarmacadam for reinstatement of the holes included. **Total £794.52 + VAT**

ACTION ; CLERK TO ASK CONTRACTOR FOR POTENTIAL START DATE

24/02/10 - Finance

a) **Approval of cheques - APPROVED**

Karen Gilbert	Expenses/mileage for 02/24	£66.50
Bickington VH Trust	Rent 01/24 - 03/24 incl	£72.00
Karen Gilbert (reimburse)	Domain renewal.	£140.82

24/02/11 - Planning -

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow the applicants of 23/2290/OUT to clarify certain matters

Ref. No: 24/00043/LBC Cable bracket to southeast elevation
Bickington Village Hall Road Past Dove Cottage Bickington Devon TQ12 6JX
SUPPORT

23/02290/OUT Chipley Heights Farm , Bickington.
Outline application (with all matters reserved) for a permanent agricultural workers dwelling
SUPPORT

24/02/12 - To receive reports on

a) **Bickington Village Hall.** - Cllr Cox commented that the Hall had been decorated and the large curtain had been removed . A decision was to be made as to whether curtains or blinds would be hung at the windows . Cllr Cox assured the meeting that the Clock would be replaced

- b) **Highway matters** - The Clerk advised that the system for obtaining County Council Grit Bin grants had changed - and that Scott Riddell Highways Officer would be coordinating the two new grit bins for the Parish
- c) The footpaths were generally in good condition - albeit wet and muddy

24/02/13 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence required major debate - copies having been emailed to Cllrs in advance

24/02/14 Matters for future agenda -
Grit Bin for DNPA side of the Parish

24/02/15 Date of next meeting. - 11th March 2024

There being no further business , the Meeting closed at 8.29 pm

Signed..... Dated

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MINUTES AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE PRIOR TO APPROVAL