



**St Giles on the Heath
With Northcott Hamlet Parish Council**

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8th JUNE 2021 AT 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr K Hamlyn (Chairman)
Cllr B Jewell
Cllr A Nicholson
Cllr G Thorne
Cllr R Nicholson
Cllr C McKenzie

In Attendance:

Clerk Mrs A Jones
Sandra Paulger
Cllr James Morrish
E Williams
Mrs E Thorne
Mr S Thorne
Mr Tony Watkins (Airband)

1. PUBLIC SESSION

- 1.1 Mr Tony Watkins of Airband addressed the Parish Council and the public attendees regarding the Airband within the Parish, as they are planning to bring fibre to the area. Airband has been running this business for 10 years and are based in Worcester and bid for Devon to install fibre internet, working alongside Connecting Devon and Cornwall making sure all homes and business are connected by 2025 with fibre. Airband believe they can provide internet to the ruralised of places on an 18-month contract, £40 installation fee and £30.00 per month contract. The Chairman thanked Mr Watkins for attending.

Cllr James Morrish thanked the Parish Council for the invite to attend the Parish Council meeting, and will try to make meetings where possible. Cllr Morrish described himself as “Devon born and raised” and currently resides at Riddlecome. Cllr Morrish is the Auctioneer for Kivells and would like to keep is Councillor Role and work Role separate. Cllr Morrish currently taken on the role of Chairman for the South West Flood Committee, Chairman of Investments and a committee member for the Scrutiny Board on the Hospital side. Cllr Morrish stated he has a big role to fill following in Barry Parsons’s and he a good man. Cllr Morrish has already in his recent post received 300 emails regarding the Highways in Holsworthy Rural, and informed the Parish Council that the road from Stibb Cross to Woodford Bridge is being completely renewed. The Parish Clerk addressed Cllr Morrish and requested some funding for the replacement of Play Area Equipment and Cllr Morrish is happy to grant £500, stating that St Giles has progressed nicely. The Chairman and Cllrs thanked Cllr Morrish for attending and look forward to seeing him soon at another Parish Council meeting.

- 1.2 New Councillor – Ms Sandra Paulger has attended the Parish Council meeting to become a Parish Councillor, and proposed 1st Cllr A Nicholson 2nd Cllr B Jewell with all Councillors in favour and giving Cllr Paulger a warm welcome.

2. RECEIVING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

- 2.1 Cllr S Trusler – apologies sent.
2.2 Cllr P Watson – apologies sent.
2.3 Cllr M Stanbury – apologies sent.
2.4 Cllr I Rixon – apologies sent.

3. MINUTES

- 3.1 Minutes of last meeting on 11th May 2021 agreed 1st Cllr A Nicholson and 2nd Cllr R Nicholson. All Councillors agreed minutes to be a true record and the Chairman has signed.

4. RECEIVING CLERK’S REPORT AND REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE.

- 4.1 Play Area Inspection – The Chairman, Clerk and Mr Genders have recently met at the Play Area to address the issues raised in the recent Play Area Inspection. Mr Genders will be working through these issues. Proposed 1st Cllr K Hamlyn 2nd Cllr R Nicholson with all Cllrs in support.
4.2 Community First Annual Insurance – Proposed to accept the Annual fee 1st Cllr R Nicholson 2nd Cllr G Thorne with all Councillors in favour.
4.3 Little Frimley – A recent complaint has been made to the Parish Council regarding the use of Security Cameras at this residence, the Clerk and Chairman have contact PCSO Mark James of Holsworthy Police and he has visited and has reassured the Parish Council he is happy with the properties Security Cameras that are in situ.

Chairman sign and Date _____



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5. RECEIVING REPORT OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE
 - 5.1 No applications received during this period.
6. REVIEWING PROGRESS OF COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN.
 - 6.1 Car Parking on Pavements– The Clerk has contact PSCO Mark James regarding the pavement obstruction, “if it is stopping somebody with a wheel chair or mobility difficulties, or a pushchair user, from using the pavement, and pushing them onto the road then if we are called at the time, we could look into it. I also have some ‘Pavements are for people’ leaflets that I could put on offending vehicles, but if I start doing it in one place then I’ll have to be fair and do it everywhere in the village”
 - 6.2 Playing Field– The Clerk has drawn up the contract for Mr M Stanbury and the Parish Council regarding the lease of the Playing Field. This will be for 10 years at a rental fee of £1.00 per annum. The Chairman is waiting for Mr M Stanbury to sign.
 - 6.3 Village Hall Internet – The Chairman holds concerns about the amount the Village Hall is being charged by the supplier for the Internet as in 2019 the Hall paid £800. The Parish Council pay an annual amount to the Hall for the use of this service and will grant £150.00 towards the costs. Proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr R Nicholson with all Councillors in favour.
 - 6.4 Code of Conduct – All Councillors are happy to adopt the Code of Conduct for 2021 – 2022. Proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr C MacKenzie.
 - 6.5 Financial Risk Assessment - All Councillors are happy to adopt the Financial Risk Assessment for 2021 – 2022. Proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr C MacKenzie.
 - 6.6 Standing Orders - All Councillors are happy to adopt the Standing Orders for 2021 – 2022. Proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr C MacKenzie.
7. FINANCES
 - 7.1 Authorisations of Expenses – proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr C MacKenzie
 - Mrs A Jones £64.64 Ink Paper, Postage, envelopes Rm Rnt & Intnt
 - Community First Insurance £375.95
 - 7.2 Current Account as of 17 May 2021 £ Statement not yet Rcvd.
 - 7.3 Monthly Budget Sheet – for Cllrs Information
8. NEXT MEETINGS
 - 8.1 Next Parish Council Meeting– Tuesday 13th July 2021 7.30pm.

Meeting ended at 9.10pm

Chairman sign and Date _____