



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

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13th JULY 2021 AT 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr K Hamlyn (Chairman)
Cllr S Paulger
Cllr A Nicholson
Cllr G Thorne
Cllr R Nicholson
Cllr I Rixon
Cllr S Trusler

In Attendance:

Clerk Mrs A Jones
Cllr P Watson

1. PUBLIC SESSION
No Members of the Public Attended
2. RECEIVING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.
 - 2.1 Cllr B Jewell
 - 2.2 Cllr C MacKenzie
 - 2.3 Cllr M Stanbury – apologies sent.
3. MINUTES
 - 3.1 Minutes of last meeting on 8th June 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 Temporary Traffic Road Closure – Heale Bridge will be closed for a maximum of 5 days from 16th September for testing of Telephone lines.
 - 4.2 Holsworthy Advisory Meetings – A message from the Chair of Holsworthy Area Advisory Group, Councillor Pete Watson, and the Chair of Torrington Area Advisory Group, Councillor Simon Newton, are proposing a merge of the Holsworthy Area Advisory Group and the Torrington Area Advisory Group to form the Torrington and Holsworthy Rural Areas Advisory Group. They believe this will provide a better forum for the consideration of those concerns which matter most in your parish/rural town with a strong focus on rural matters. It is anticipated the meetings will be held remotely via Zoom and for an initial trial period of 1 year. They have requested to put this forward for discussion at your next parish/town council meeting, considering especially whether you feel the meeting would be beneficial and what sort of things you would like to see on the agenda. Feedback is needed back by Friday 30 July. The Chairman has attended several of these meetings over the years and would prefer that meeting still take place in Holsworthy, as he would not be able to attend if they are conducted via Zoom.
5. RECEIVING REPORT OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE
 - 5.1 No applications received during this period.
6. REVIEWING PROGRESS OF COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN.
 - 6.1 Play Area Grants – Thank you to Cllr Morrish and Cllr Watson for granting the Parish Council £500.00 each towards the Play Area. The Clerk has applied to the Big Lottery Funding for a further £10000.00.
 - 6.2 Code of Conduct – All Councillors are happy to accept and sign this document.
 - 6.3 Financial Risk Assessment – All Councillors are happy to accept and sign this document.
 - 6.4 Standing Orders – All Councillors are happy to accept and sign this document.
 - 6.5 Rumble Strips – The Clerk has submitted to Devon County Council a request for the Rumble Strips at either end of the Village to be reinstated as they have worn away.
 - 6.6 Tipple Cross – It is believed that the Chief Officer has carried out a visited has found no freezer lorries and pigs on this site. Cllr Watson will also speak to the Case Worker as this has been going on for several years.

Chairman sign and Date _____



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- 6.7 ST Giles on the Heath Primary – Ms Smith has spoken to the Clerk to request some grants from the Parish Council towards a Horticultural/Sensory Garden. The Councillors would like the FPTA to apply in writing to the Parish Council and will be discussed at the next meeting. Cllr Watson is also happy to provide a grant but also request the FPTA apply.
7. FINANCES
- 7.1 Authorisations of Expenses – proposed 1st Cllr S Trusler 2nd Cllr G Thorne
- Gareth Pollard Accountancy £75.00 Audit
- A Jones £25.50 Postage.
- Mr D Genders £1152.00 Grass Cuts April - July
- 7.2 Current Account as of 17 June 2021 £ 10221.07
- 7.3 Monthly Budget Sheet – for Cllrs Information
- 7.4 Audit – Councillors are happy with the External Audit carried out by Gareth Pollard Accountancy and for the Chairman to sign the forms. Proposed 1st Cllr G Thorne 2nd Cllr A Nicholson.
8. NEXT MEETINGS
- 8.1 Next Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 17th August 2021 7.30pm.

Meeting ended at 8.30pm

Chairman sign and Date _____