

## Draft

### Minutes of the Pilton West Parish Council meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.00 pm in Pilton Meeting Rooms

Present

Cllr M May (Chairman)  
Cllr A May (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr I Brodie  
Cllr R Fallis  
Cllr C Muggleston

There were no members of the public in attendance

#### **Mar24/1 Apologies for Absence**

County Councillor Mrs. A Davis

#### **Mar24/2 Minutes of the meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

**RESOLVED** the meeting minutes as previously circulated be approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Mar24/3 Matters arising**

##### **Flooding in the Westaway Plain Area**

*Cllr A May had declared a personal interest in this item as he owns property in the area.*

It was reported by Cllr A May that the work had been carried out and seemed to be successful in stopping flooding in Westaway Plain.

The Councillor conveyed their appreciation to County Councillor Mrs A Davis for her part in raising the matter with the County Council.

#### **Mar24/4 Gulley Clearance**

There had been no progress with arranging a site meeting. It was noted that routine works had been delayed by the extremely wet weather **RESOLVED** the Clerk to raise with the County Councillor

#### **Mar24/5 Report of the County Councillor**

County Councillor Mrs A Davis had apologised for her non-attendance as she was at a meeting in London but had forwarded her report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

### **Mar24/6 Questions to the County Councillor**

The Councillor recorded their thanks to County Cllr Mrs Davis for her assistance in solving the long running flooding problem as Westaway Plain. There were no questions.

### **Mar24/7 Report of the District Councillor**

There was no report

### **Mar24/7 Questions to the District Councillor**

There were no questions

### **Mar24/8 Correspondence**

NHS News sheet  
DALC news letter  
Grants and Community news  
Neighbourhood mediation service  
**County Councillors report**

### **Mar24/9 Planning Applications**

- **Planning Application 78444 Barn at Poppys View, Shirwell Road Barnstaple.** Prior approval for change of use of agricultural building to a residential dwelling (class Q (A&B)). Councillors noted their Colleagues at Shirwell PC concern at how a Class Q application was available to a building that had been used for equestrian and not farming purposes
- **Planning Application 76816 at 80 Trayne Heights Barnstaple Devon** Retrospective application for the retention of existing glazed frontage to detached double garage for use as a hobby room RESOLVED the Parish Council have no objection subject to this alteration not contravening development guidelines for Trayne Farm

### **Mar24/10 Planning Decisions**

There were none reported at the meeting

### **Mar24/11 Reports from Councillors**

There were no reports but Councillors expressed their sympathy to the family of ex-councillor Peter Saunders who had died recently. Peter had also acted as the internal auditor for the Council

**Mar24/12 Public Question Time**

There were no questions

**Mar24/13 Appointment of an Internal Auditor**

Councillors discussed possible replacements for Peter Saunders to act as the internal auditor.

**Mar24/14 Clerks Report**

The Clerk reminded Councillors that his email address had changed to *geoff.dwyerg@outlook.com*. although he would monitor his old address until such time as Plusnet discontinued the facility, Councillors thanked Cllr Brodie for setting up the system for the Council.

**Mar24/15 Cheques for Payment**

A cheque for the clerk's salary (£125.0) was signed at the meeting.

**Mar24/16 Urgent Business**

There was none

**Mar24/17 Date of Next Meeting**

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024

The meeting finished at 7.55

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....