



MINUTES OF MONTACUTE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23RD MAY 2022 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

AM/22/01/a PRESENT:

Members: Mrs C Saint, Mrs A Gihon, Mrs J Folkard, Mr R Folkard, Mr M Myram and Mr D Warry.

Others: Mrs S Moore (Clerk), Mr Tony Capozzoli (District Councillor), Mr Mike Hewitson (County & Unitary Authority Councillor) and 3 members of the public

AM/22/01/b APOLOGIES:

None declared

AM/22/02 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATED COUNCILLORS:

Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance which was witnessed by the Clerk. The Clerk handed out the Register of Interests.

Cllrs Gihon, J Folkard and R Folkard handed in their resignations.

AM/22/03 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN & ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:

Cllr Saint stepped down as Chairman.

The Clerk asked for nominations for chairman and Cllr Warry nominated Cllr Saint. It was RESOLVED for Cllr Saint to be Chairman. The Acceptance of Office was signed by Cllr Saint and witnessed by the Clerk.

AM/22/04 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN & ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:

Cllr Saint asked for nominations Vice Chairman. As there were no nominations it was decided to defer assigning this post.

AM/22/05 CO-OPTION:

Cllr Saint introduced Mr Alasdair McFarlane and nominated him to be co-opted onto the council. It was RESOLVED to co-opt Mr McFarlane onto the council. Cllr McFarlane signed the Declaration of Acceptance which was witnessed by the Clerk. The Clerk asked Cllr McFarlane to complete the Register of Interest form.

Cllr Saint introduced Mrs Sue Richings and nominated her to be co-opted onto the council. It was RESOLVED to co-opt Mrs Richings onto the council. Cllr Richings signed the Declaration of Acceptance which was witnessed by the Clerk. The Clerk asked Cllr Richings to complete the Register of Interest form.

Cllr Saint introduced Mrs Leona Drayton and nominated him to be co-opted onto the council. It was RESOLVED to co-opt Mrs Drayton onto the council. Cllr Drayton signed the Declaration of Acceptance which was witnessed by the Clerk. The Clerk asked Cllr Drayton to complete the Register of Interest form.

AM/22/06 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The Chairman's report for 2021/22 was circulated to councillors. A copy is attached to these minutes.

AM/22/07 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL MEETING:

It was RESOLVED to approve the Annual Parish Council Minutes of 4th May 2021.

AM/22/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

There were no matters arising.

AM/21/09 APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS & WORKING PARTIES:

Planning	Cllrs Saint, Warry and 1 tba
Finance	Cllrs Saint (Chairman), Drayton, Warry and the Clerk
<u>Recreation Ground:</u>	
Pavilion	Whole Council
Play Equipment Inspection	Cllr Richings
National Trust	Cllr McFarlane
Allotments	Cllr McFarlane and the Clerk
Footpath Officer	Cllr Saint mentioned a resident maybe interested and asked if the Clerk could forward the footpath spreadsheet to her
Street Lighting	Cllr Warry
<u>School Liaison:</u>	
All Saints	Cllr Warry
Stanchester	Cllr Saint
Highways	Cllrs Myram and McFarlane
Triangle Trust	Cllr Warry
SALC	Clerk
Environmental Warden	Cllr Warry
Neighbourhood Watch	To be advertised
Village Magazine	Clerk
Speedwatch/SID	Cllr Myram

AM/21/10 FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Clerk reported that the accounts and annual governance statement were with the internal auditor and would bring them to the June Parish Council meeting for approval.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 7.30pm



MONTACUTE PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 23RD MAY 2022

2022 has still held its challenges due to the Covid pandemic but the Council has been able to hold face to face meetings for most of this year. There has, however, been discussions as to whether councils should be able choose how to hold their meetings in the future, but this has not yet been decided.

I think that the Parish Council's biggest achievement this year has been to obtain planning consent for a building to go on the recreation ground. This project has been ongoing since 2014. This new building will include a changing room, a small kitchen, a storage area and toilets; one of which will be for the disabled. A great deal of thought has gone into this building to ensure that it is all inclusive both for the able bodied and the disabled. I would like to thank Roy Littlefield for all his work on this project and the National Trust for their continuing support.

A great deal of work has gone into the allotments and these continue to flourish with most of the plots being taken, and there are plans for future improvement to the site. A lot of this is due to the commitment of Councillor Ann Gihon with the help of David Fox.

The speed of traffic through the village has been a concern for many years, and the Council has now purchased a Speed Indicator Device which warns drivers of the speed at which they are travelling. The device can also record the speed of traffic and the data stored can be downloaded.

In the last year, the Speed Watch team has been revived and this is mainly thanks to Councillor Martin Myram and a group of volunteers.

We continue to have our lengthsman, Darren, who comes to the village every fortnight to carry out duties from weed spraying and gully clearance to minor maintenance jobs. He also moves our Speed Indicator Device from one end of the village to the other and is always willing to carry out any other task asked of him.

To commemorate our Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the Parish Council have ordered a beautiful carved wooden seat which will be placed in the Borough for the whole village to enjoy.

I would like to record my thanks to Becky Maddison who carries out a weekly check on the parish defibrillator.

Finally I would like to thank Sarah Moore, our Clerk, for all her work, to Ann Gihon, my Vice Chair, for her support and to all the other councillors.

Christine Saint
Chair of Montacute Parish Council.