

Babcary Parish Council

9th May 2022 Parish Meeting Draft Minutes

8pm at The Hut

Present: Mr Simon Hoar, Mrs Glynis Kingston, Mr Philip Sketchley, Mr Graham Hughes, Mrs Melinda Terleske, Mr Steve Street, Mr Henry Hobhouse (SSDC), Mr Kevin Messenger (SSDC) Mrs Jasmine Tucker (Parish Clerk), 3 Members of The Public.

Apologies: Mr Damien Pick

- 1) Minutes of the Previous Meeting 11th April 2022 agreed,
- 2) Election of Mr Simon Hoar as Chairman & Mr Phillip Sketchley as Vice Chairman
- 3) Open Forum Annual Parish Meeting – open floor opportunity for members of the public to raise any issues of concern, none raised.
- 4) Babcary Playing Field Committee Chairman’s Annual Report 2021-2022 received, Covid restrictions have had a major effect on the Playing Field usage and Road Race coverage however the Annual Bonfire night saw record attendance. New Fly Ball dog activity is now a weekly event in the field open to all comers. New community project The Verandah commissioned this year, with the help of SSDC grant, the intention is to increase community use of the Playing Field and attached Hut.
Paul Cuff, Playing Field Committee Chairman, thanked all the Committee for their continued hard work during what has been an unprecedented year.
- 5) Matters Arising
 - i) Static property in Dilkes Lane, enquiry currently with South Somerset Enforcement Officer (Heather) for further information, Henry Hobhouse followed up on behalf of parish council along with Dave Kenyon, South Somerset Planning. No further updates.
 - ii) 2 temporary traffic monitors to ascertain extent of speeding in and around the village, traffic devices currently on order, awaiting delivery. Simon Hoar to chase Gary Warren regarding completion.
 - iii) Parish Council election result: Seven Parish Council members duly elected on 5th May; Glynis Kingston, Simon Hoar, Graham Hughes, Damien Pick, Phil Sketchley, Melinda Terleske and Steve Street.
Register of Members Interests & General Notice of Registerable Interests along with Declaration of Acceptance of Office were read and signed to be returned by Mrs J Tucker.

Finance

Capital Reserve Account stands at £23,473.61 (of which £6,500 Veranda grant).

Current Account Balance is £50

SSDC Remittance 11/04/22 £4,137.00

Parish Domain Website subscription £129.45, cheque raised.

New Signatory now required.

6) Planning Consultations

- i) Ref. No: 22/00669/HOU | Received: Tue 08 Mar 2022 | Validated: Wed 06 Apr 2022 | Status: Awaiting decision
- ii) The Hut Ref 22/00063/FUL-Recreation Ground, North Street, Babcary, response due 04th March 2022. Approved.
Mr J. Ellis, member of the Playing Field Committee, attended the meeting (11/04/22) with preliminary viewing of quotes and options, final decision emailed out to all Parish Councillors, all agreed, work has commenced!
- iii) Ref 22/00059/FUL-Land South of Hams Lane Babcary – comments by 01st of March 2022 Proposed Change of use from pasture to equestrian.
Decision APPROVED (approval subject to non-profit usage).
Entrance to land under review recess to gate to be amended Mobile stables pre-emptively installed.
- iv) Planning Application No 21/01054 and others The Red Lion Inn, still awaiting phosphate investigation.
Decision awaited. Area East Planning on line Meeting to discuss 18/05/22 Simon Hoar to attend, Mr Henry Hobhouse to Chair the event. Youtube link for viewing...
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E17wtl8ewDs&t=11631s>
- v) Land At South Barrow Road Babcary Somerton Somerset
Ref. No: 22/00393/FUL | Received: Fri 11 Feb 2022 | Validated: Mon 28 Feb 2022 | Status: Awaiting decision
- vi) APPLICATION NO. 22/00465/LBC APPLICANT Mr Nik Feltham
Awaiting decision
- vii) Reference 21/03624/FUL Land At Baker Street Babcary Somerton TA11 7DU
Erection of 2no. detached garages to serve 2no. dwellings approved by 17/00593/OUT (18/02433/REM)
Notification of removal of Northernmost garage from the plans was received from Stanley Norris (SSDC).
- viii) Reference 22/00726/FUL Land Adjoining Dove Cottage Formerly Shurlock Row North Street Babcary Somerton Somerset TA11 7EA Plan for a single detached dwelling. Received: Sat 12 Mar 2022 | Validated: Thu 07 Apr 2022 | Status: Awaiting decision
Jo Fryer, agent for North Street planning application above to attended the meeting with a view to answer any questions or concerns.
No concerns were voiced.

7) Correspondence

- i) The Big Count Take part in the Big Count by spotting and counting as many of our 12 species within a one hour period. When you are out on a walk, exploring your local green space, on school grounds, at work, on a nature reserve – anywhere – we need you to keep your eyes peeled for our special twelve! Take a snap and log it on the iNaturalist platform. The Big Count launches on the Big Wild Weekend on the 17th - 19th June which is part of our annual 30 Days Wild initiative. And because we want as many people to take part as possible from individuals, families, schools, businesses and more, we are going to keep it going until the 26th June. Will be sending details out in Babccary social media.
- ii) Somerset's public Health Update, 29/04/22 Covid 19 updates the last ONS data from early April showed that 1 in 10 people in the South West of England were infected with covid19 at that time. The virus is still very much with us though, and we still encourage everyone to stay at home if they experience symptoms to avoid the spread. Some settings, like hospitals and care homes, continue to have measures in place to protect people from Covid-19. This includes wearing face coverings, alongside other measures to reduce the virus spreading. We ask everyone to follow any requests from these settings and act in ways which will help protect our more vulnerable residents. Please check our local NHS website Covid-19 vaccinations in Somerset - Somerset CCG to find clinics in your area or use the national portal to find a walk-in site: www.nhs.uk/grab-a-jab.
- iii) Get SuSSed (Sustainable South Somerset Education) committed to being carbon neutral, check out South Somerset environment website.
Option of Solar Panels being placed on The Hut roof was mooted along with possible electric car charging points, food for thought!

8) Any Other Business

- i) Sparkford to Perry Hill pot holes mentioned as a particular problem for drivers. Highways to be chased up.

Date & Time of Next Meeting: Monday 13th June 2022 in the Hut.