

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on
Monday 15th April 2024 at 7.00pm, in the Parish Office, 2 Killick Way, Williton.

Attendees:

Councillors	Denton (Chairman), de Burgh-Thomas, Aldridge and Payne
Public	None
Other	Mrs Charlotte Hirst (Committee Clerk)

Apologies:

Councillors	Peeks, Nye and White
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23/176B It was advised the meeting would be recorded

23/177B Apologies as noted above and reasons for absence approved as indicated (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

23/178.1B Declarations of Interest

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Aldridge	23/181.1B	Personal	Advised meeting

23/1179B Approval of Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 11th March 2024

It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes. **Proposed** Cllr de Burgh-Thomas **seconded** Cllr Payne.

23/180B Matters from the Minutes

23/181B Correspondence

23/181.1B An email had been received from Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance requesting assistance with their Coast to Coast Challenge

Resolution: That it would be put in the Parish Council's Article for Williton Window and to contact Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance to request a poster for display in the office.

23/182B To Consider the Following Planning Applications

23/182.1B The following applications were considered.

23/182.2B

Application No	Location	Details	Comment
3/39/21/028	Land North of the Transmitting station, Washford, Williton.	Installation of a ground mounted solar farm with battery storage	Object that there is a National Field Shortage, loss of landscape value, loss of good arable land, Solar glare, the structure can not be referred to as a temporary structure. New Evidence - Photo evidence of glare.

Resolution Cllr Payne **Proposed** any new comments raised at the Public Meeting regarding planning application 3/39/21/028 to be added to Parish Council Comments **Seconded** Cllr de Burgh-Thomas **Unanimously resolved**.

23/182.3B To Note the Following Planning Decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/24/001	Wibble Farm Nurseries, Wibble Farm, Williton, TA4 4DD	Grant
3/39/22/001	Mamsey House, 30 Priest Street Williton	Grant

23/183.B Highways Matters

23/183.1B Robert Street – deferred due to absence of Cllr White.

23/183.2B It was noted that a reply had been received from the Planning Enforcement Officer regarding the adverting trailer they await the response from the Land Owner.

- 23/183.3B An update was received regarding the meeting between Mr Gliddon of J Gliddon and Sons, Cllr Payne, Cllr White and Cllr Aldridge.
Resolution Cllr Payne proposed to invite Highways Planning Department to a meeting which would be held at the Parish Office to discuss whether the drawings received would be viable Cllr Aldridge added an amendment that the Portfolio Holder should also be invited Cllr Payne Accepted the amendment Cllr Aldridge Seconded unanimously **resolved**.
- 23/184B Items to Report on Footpaths/Pavements**
- 23/184.1B It was noted that the committee was grateful to Cllr Peeks for contacting Alpha Housing and would await an update in due course.
- 23/185B Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers**
- 23/185.1B Bellamy's Corner – nothing reported.
- 23/185.2B Street Furniture – Cllr Aldridge updated members on the Finger Posts. It was noted that Cllr Aldridge had now cemented the poles to support the finger posts and that the finger posts would be installed once he had the equipment to secure them.
- 23/186B Finance and Budget – Nothing to report**
- 23/187B Flooding Matters**
- 23/187.1B Flood Plan and Flood Shed – it was noted that the Flood Plan would not be viable unless there were more volunteers.
The Flood shed would be looked at in more detail with suggestions from Dulverton Flood Group regarding what equipment would be most useful.
- 23/187.2B It was noted that the next meeting would be held on 17th April 2024, Dulverton Flood Group would attend to discuss their recent flooding.
- 23/188B Disrepair of BT Phone Box, North Croft, Williton**
Defer until next meeting.
- 23/189B Community Payback Scheme**
It was noted that Watchet Task Force had been supplied with the contact information for the Community Payback Scheme.
It was also noted that any work allocated to the Community Payback Scheme locally would need to go through the Parish Office for Insurance purposes.
- 23/190B Play Equipment in Recreation Ground**
- 23/190.1B It was noted that an exceptionally detailed plan had been gratefully received from a parishioner and that this would be discussed at the next Amenity Group Meeting.
- 23/191B Matters for the next Meeting to be held on 13th May 2024**
A resolution was passed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting due to commercial sensitivity proposed Cllr Payne seconded Cllr Aldridge all agreed.
- 23/192B Flagpole**
- 23/173.1B **Cllr Payne** proposed to accept quote number 1 but noted that installation fee was an estimate and therefore gave the Committee Clerk a figure that was not to be exceed in the installation costs. **Cllr Aldridge added an amendment** that the actual figure mentioned would not be disclosed to the supplier **Cllr Payne accepted** this amendment **Cllr de Burgh-Thomas seconded unanimously resolved**.
- 23/174B Installation of a double play tower**
It was noted that not all the quotes had been received **Cllr Payne Proposed** if the quotes arrive before the next Full Council meeting it would be discussed Full Council meeting on 7th May 2024 **Seconded Cllr de Burgh-Thomas unanimously resolved**.

Meeting closed at 8.16pm

Signed as a true and correct record Dated