October 2022 Draft Minutes

**Tuesday 11 October 2022,** at **7.30pm, at Minety Village Hall**, Hornbury Hill, Minety, SN16 9QH

Attending.

Cllr Slucock, Cllr Anderson, Cllr Pinkney, Cllr Crompton, Cllr Read, Cllr Shephard, Cllr Dupree, Cllr Cain

Clerk, Emma Furman, Cllr Berry and 9 members of the public. Names noted.

1. **PUBLIC CONSULTATION –**
2. A parishioner gave a presentation on the benefits of having a community basketball hoop. The council in principle think it would be of benefit but have advised the parishioner to speak to the MPFA with the assistance of Cllr Read at the next MPFA meeting regarding the location of a basketball hoop. A parishioner also attended the meeting said they would be very happy to contribute to any costs if the go ahead was given.
3. Conrad Energy regarding planning PL/2022/04524 Installation of a battery energy storage facility and substation at Ravensroost Farm. 3 representatives attended the meeting with a power point presentation for the Parish council and attending parishioners. There was the opportunity to ask questions and to gain a better understanding of how this would impact the immediate and surrounding areas, the effect on residential properties, the ecological effects and safety concerns. The council agreed to discuss the matter later in the meeting to decide their position. There was strong opposition from the villagers that attended the meeting who would be directly affected if the planning was approved.

Cllr Slucock opened the meeting at 730pm with the public consultation.

The parish council meeting recommenced at 915pm

1. **Chair for meeting confirmed** Cllr Slucock
2. **Welcome, Apologies, Absences** All Councillors present
3. **Dispensations/ Declarations of interests** None declared
4. **Minutes from the previous meeting (12 July 2022)** The minutes were agreed.
5. **Clerk and Councillor Vacancy.** A potential candidate for the clerk position attended the meeting and will be sending in their CV. No one has come forward to express an interest in joining as a councillor
6. **Standard Reviews**
   1. Cllr Read Minety Playing Field Association

No update

* 1. Cllr Shephard Village Hall

Art Exhibition on the 15 and 16th of October

* 1. Cllr Slucock Communications and Media

Help required from another councillor to keep updated. Discussion of including this in the new clerk’s role once this has been filled.

* 1. Clerk Highways

Reports of the poor condition of the railway Bridge by the White Horse Pub on the B4040. Reported on the App to Wiltshire council. Cllr Berry advised best person to contact in Wiltshire Council to help get this prioritised.

Reports of poor repairs to several roads in the area, one unadopted.

* 1. Cllr Crompton Area board

Next meeting is on the 29th of November. Cllr Read will attend. Discussion of the warm places grant and suggestions of approaching the Tuesday luncheon club and Friday coffee morning to advise that there is funding available via grants if they are providing a safe, warm space for local villagers. There was discussion about a proposal from Charlton Parish Council to provide a central warm space to be shared among the villages, but due to the practicality of this, it was thought it might be better to let local groups know that there are funds available but that we could suggest Minety Village Hall as it an be rented very cheaply by the hour, with heating, has kitchen and toilet facilities and super-fast WIFI.

* 1. Cllr Cain, Anderson, Dupree and Slucock LHFIG (formally CATG and footpaths.)

A number of complaints have been received about the poor state of the local footpaths and deliberate obstructions by land owners. Wiltshire Council have advised that councillors should not approach landowners directly but report issues via the app and to our representative at the council.

* 1. Cllr Shephard, Anderson Flood working group liaison

No update to the flood defence plans as the land that was proposed to use is not available and it would mean looking into the possibility of purchasing additional land in the area for the project to progress.

* 1. Cllr Pinkney School liaison

Cllr Pinkney has attended the latest Governors meeting and the school have expressed an interest in being involved in the Minety litter picking for the Spring 2023.

* 1. Cllr Shephard, Crompton: Speeding

Two traffic surveys (on Silver Street and the B4040) have been completed and did not meet the threshold where further measure for traffic calming would be approved.

* 1. Clerk Grants. Applications received. Application decisions.

Cllr Cain and Crompton to work on a policy for the November meeting.

* 1. Cllr Crompton: Planning Applications Received since previous meeting

No objections

* 1. Cllr Cain, Crompton: GREEN Planning Applications Received since previousmeeting

Application PL/2022/05412 Amended application for the proposal of a battery storage facility and ancillary infrastructure at Land of Dog Trap lane. Cllr Berry to check this has been called in.

1. **Planning.**

**Please see October Agenda for listings**

1. **Special projects**
   1. **Cllr Slucock: Jubilee update.** The jubilee committee will be attending the next Parish council meeting to discuss spending the funds raised during the jubilee on decorating the village bus stops.
   2. **Cllr Cain: Jubilee trees update.** Cllr Cain has had positive feedback from one land owner and will be approaching others
   3. **Cllr Slucock, Cllr Read: MPFA car park update.** No update
   4. **Art Club, Lunch club, Fit club, Friday club… etc** Cllr Slucock will be attending the preview of the village art Exhibition which will be held at the Village Hall on the 15 and 16th of October.
   5. **First Aid.** Cllr Dupree to look at other options as any courses looked at so far have been very expensive
   6. **Security Cameras.** Nothing to report
   7. **Auto-Speed watch.** Nothing to report
   8. **Defibrillators.** Cllr Read to check service dates and any expiry dates on the village machines and to speak to Charles Cook regarding the upkeep of the machines.
   9. **New project proposals** Reviewal of titled deeds for the Parish council with Forester’s solicitors. Cllr Cain awaiting a quote to implement a land search.
   10. **Correspondence from Parishioners to address.**

Addressed earlier in the meeting.

1. **Finance**
   1. **Clerks report**

The Parish Councils insurance has been renewed for the next 3 years with Arthur Gallagher LTD.

* 1. **Account balances**
     1. Account ending 232. £39815.87
     2. Account Ending 338. £38424.30

Approved

* 1. **Issues to address** nothing to report
  2. **Payment sent out since 12 July 2022**
     1. Parish clerk wages £267.50 (Aug) £428.20 (July) £267.50 (Sept)
     2. Aden Vaughan. Bus shelter cleaning £60.00
     3. Khan Adamson LTD £1200.00 Accountancy fees
     4. Idverde. £218.40 Dog bins.
     5. Neil Crocker, grass mowing. £275.00 Aug. Sept £375.99
     6. Village Hall £18
     7. Minety playing Fields. £112.50 Grass cutting up to Sept 2021
     8. Minety Playing Fields. £80.00 Grass cutting up to June 2022
     9. Community heart beat trust. Inv.12993 £198.00 Inv 13847 £151.20
     10. Gallagher insurance £1377.00
  3. **Awaiting to receive payment**
  4. **Payments received**
     1. Lower Minety Community grant £517.50
     2. Minety Community grant £517.50
     3. Wiltshire Council £9026.95
     4. Interest £1.27 and £1.63
  5. **Accounts for payment**
     1. Aiden Vaughan phone box cleaning £48.00
     2. Neil Crocker, grass mowing. £250.00
     3. Parish clerk wages £267.50 (any additional hours to be calculated and signed off at meeting)
     4. Play Safe. ROSPA inspection of play park. £105.00

**approved**

1. **Forthcoming calendar events** Precept
2. **Outstanding Actions not covered by previous proceedings** Cllr Shephard has reported bus stop markings and yellow lines to Wiltshire Council
3. **Closing comments, chair to close meeting.** Meeting ended at 1012pm.
4. **Date of Next Meeting: November 8th 7:30pm. Village Hall.**