**MINUTES**

1 **Apologies**

There were no apologies received by the Chair.

2 **Public Question Time**

There was a question raised by a member of the public about the clearing the interconnected drains and this will be raised with Highways.

Also, the potholes at the entrance to Westleigh Quarry were raised, and clarification will be sort by the Parish Council on the process of reporting potholes, and the classification of a pothole.

3 **Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct**

There were no Declarations of Interest made under the Code of Conduct.

4 **Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2023 be signed as a correct record.

1. **Chairman’s Announcement’s**
2. Allotments at South View

Councillor Worrow announced that Burlescombe Parish Council has formally approached Mid Devon District Council with a keen interest in discussing potential plans and collaboration to facilitate the restoration and/or acquisition of the allotments situated at South View. We believe this endeavour holds the promise of fostering community engagement and promoting green spaces for the benefit of our residents.

1. Burlescombe Community Advisory Board

Councillor Worrow introduced the Burlescombe Community Advisory Board, a vital link between Burlescombe Parish Council and the community. He invited members of the community to be a part of shaping decisions, representing diverse perspectives, and contributing to our community's growth.

The first event will be held on 23 September, 2023.

1. Clearstone Junction 27 Energy Hub

Councillor Worrow provided an update to the Council, stating that the Junction 27 Energy Hub has received press coverage on DevonLive.

In addition, a public consultation event was held on 31 May 2023 at Sampford Peverell Village Hall, which was attended by 56 local residents. For those interested, the exhibition boards displayed during the event can be accessed online.

Furthermore, the project team engaged in meetings with members of Burlescombe Parish Council on 19 May 2023 and with members of Sampford Peverell Parish Council on 31 May 2023.

1. Petition to Request a Speed Limit Change

Councillor Worrow announced a petition to reduce the speed limit in Canonsleigh from 60 miles per hour to 30 miles per hour. This change aims to prioritise safety by lowering the risk of accidents and enhancing road safety for all residents, pedestrians, and motorists. Additionally, it will make Canonsleigh more pedestrian-friendly, fostering a healthier lifestyle and stronger community engagement. The safety of children is a significant concern, and a lower speed limit will create a safer environment for them to play and go to school. Moreover, this adjustment will improve our overall quality of life by reducing noise pollution and promoting a sense of pride in our community. Supporting this petition means contributing to a greener and more sustainable future by reducing fuel consumption and emissions.

6 **Petitions**

There were no petitions received by the Chair.

7 **Notices of Motions**

There we no motions from members of the council.

8 **Reports**

To receive and consider the reports, minutes and recommendations of the recent meetings as follows:

1. Clerk’s Report

* The Clerk’s expenditure report was presented to the Council:
  + Expenditure Incurred Since Last Meeting:
    - ICO – Data Protection Fee recurring Direct Debit Annual £35.00
    - Microsoft 365 Basics – Lewis Worrow £59.99
    - Clerk’s Salary May, June, July 2023 - £393.38 each month
  + Expenditure Approved at the Meeting:
    - ORL Regular Maintenance Programme – Sylvester Services £255.00
    - P3 PROW Clearance – Nicholas Page £338.00
    - Clerk Salary August, September, October 2023 £393.38 each month
* It was **MOVED** by Councillor Lewis Worrow, **SECONDED** by Councillor Luke Trevelyan, and **RESOLVED** that the Clerk’s Report on Council Expenditure be approved.
  + Report on Park Woods – The Owner of Park Woods reported that children were attempting to create a cycle track in the woods which was causing damage. He asked the Parish Council to remind villagers what permission was granted for access to enjoy the woods but not to do damage. A report was placed in the Parish Magazine reminding people.
  + Report on Recreational Vehicle at Ayshford – The Parish Council and individuals have reported this to DCC. DCC were investigating, but reported that they had been advised that it had been removed. The Clerk reported to DCC that it was still there, and is awaiting an update from them on this.
  + Report on Westleigh Play Park – The URC reported issues at the children’s play park, with problems with the gate. This has been reported to MDDC who own the land.
  + Report on Dog Waste Bins – a large amount of dog waste has been reported on the ORL, and the Clerk has reported this to MDDC and asked for dog waste bins to be placed on the ORL. Awaiting an update on this.

1. Planning Committee

* None

1. Public Rights of Way (PROW)

* None

1. Quarry Liaison Committee

* None

1. The Grand Western Canal Joint Advisory Committee

* None

9 **Member’s Business**

The Council is currently unable to comment on any potential sale or purchase of Redland's property at this time. Additionally, the Council cannot provide comments regarding any subsequent planning permission that might be sought. We appreciate the public's interest in these matters and will provide updates as appropriate and when able to do so.

10 **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was **AGREED** as Thursday, 2 November 2023 at 19:00.