

UPPER MARSHWOOD VALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at Bettiscombe Village Hall on Thursday 16th May 2024, commencing at 7pm

Present: Cllr’s E Rowe (Chairman), A Cameron (Vice-Chairman), S Forsey, F Bailey, J Gillingham, J Piper, C Rabbetts and B Lumsden.

In attendance: The Clerk, Mr J Vanderwolfe and eight member of the public.

An apology had been received from Cllr E Blackburn. No apology received from Cllr D Wyatt.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting all members present made their Declaration of Acceptance of office.

001	Election of Chairman Councillor E Rowe was elected as chairman for the ensuing year. He made his declaration of office; witnessed by the Proper Officer
002	Election of Vice Chairman Councillor A Cameron was elected as Vice-chairman for the ensuing year
003	Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct Cllr F Bailey declared a pecuniary interest on the planning application for Prime Farm and Cllr S Forsey declared a pecuniary interest in an application for a grant by the Marshwood Church as she was on the PCC. Both stated they would leave the room whilst the issues were being discussed
004	Appointment to Outside Bodies Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils. Deferred at present In the hope that someone would volunteer to take this position on.
005	Minutes

	The minutes of the meeting held on the 21 st March 2024, having been previously circulated, were adopted as a true record.
006	Matters Arising No matters arising
007	Annual Governance Statement 2023/24 The Annual Governance Statement was adopted,
008	Accounting Statement 2023/24 Members adopted the Accounting Statement
009	Certificate of Exemption AGAR 2023/24 Members agreed to apply the exemption clause as both income and expenditure were below the ceiling level of £25,000.
010	Power of Competence Members agreed to adopt the Power Of Competence as the whole council had been elected and the clerk holds the CILCA qualifications.
011	Accounts for Payment and Financial Update . Resolve to agree the following payments: Moneysoft £36.00, HMRC 194.57, J Vanderwolfe £ 27.43 and FLYSO £7.19 Financial Assets as of 13th May 2024 was £29,349.23
012	Democratic Period A member informed the meeting that the CLT AGM had been well attended. She also spoke in regards to Speedwatch. It would seem that despite the Speed Indicator Device (SID) and a number of speed checks the amount of speeding through Marshwood has not decreased. One suggestion was the implementation of a Gateway at both ends of the village would be looked into The applicant for Pilsdon Farm explained why he had to apply for these applications following advice from various organisations. Another member of the public was concerned about the visual impact that the application, if passed would have on the area

013	<p>Applications for Funding</p> <p>Citizens Advice : Agreed to provide a grant of £250</p> <p>Marshwood Church: Agreed to provide a grant of £300 towards the upkeep of the cemetery.</p>
014	<p>Planning</p> <p>P/FUL/2024/01811,01812,01814 Pilsdon Dairy: Portal framed agricultural building over silage store (four applications). Members resolved to support these applications</p> <p>P/LBC?2024/02312 Primw Farm, Whitchurch. External alterations including repairs to roof, rainwater goods, replacement of three chimney stacks, repairs to wall and replacement of seven windows. Members supported this application</p> <p>P/TRC/2024/02573 Higher Farm, Beaminster. Dismantle tree in a Conservation Area. As the tree is diseased members supported the application</p>
015	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Correspondence circulated via email on a regular basis.</p>
016	<p>Items of Urgency</p> <p>The two members not present this evening would need to make their Declaration of Acceptance prior to the commencement of the next meeting.</p> <p>Members were reminded of the need to complete the on-line Register of Interest form. A link had been forwarded to them.</p>
017	<p>Closing of Meeting</p> <p>The meeting was closed by the chairman at 8.15pm</p>
018	<p>Future Meetings</p> <p>Thursday 11th July 024</p> <p>Thursday 19th September 2024</p> <p>Thursday 21st November 2024</p>

	Thursday 09th January 2025 Thursday 20th March 2025
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Signature of Chairman -----

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