

**Minutes of the Meeting of Mapleton Parish Council held on
Thursday 8th July 2021 at 7.30pm**

All Cllrs were in attendance – Cllr Astill, Cllr Duckmantion, Cllr Washer, Cllr Marsh (from 7:45pm)
Clerk – Fiona Raistrick

**24/21 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish
Council held on Thursday 13th May 2021**

Cllrs agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting and the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council were true and accurate record of the meeting(s). The Minutes were signed off by the Chair, Cllr Washer.

25/21 Declarations of Members' interests

There were no declarations of interest in any items.

26/21 Public Participation

One member of the public was in attendance for Item 5.

27/21 Co-option of Cllrs

Lesley Marsh had sent in an expression of interest in joining the Parish Council. Cllrs discussed her application and unanimously agreed to her co-option as a Parish Cllr. Cllr Astill, who was appointed as a temporary Cllr at the May meeting, agreed to stay on as a permanent Cllr.

Action: Clerk to issue welcome packs to the new Cllrs

28/21 Highways

Update - work reported to Highways

340739 - Litter – Main road up to Spend Lane. This was reported to DDDC.

Action: Cllrs to check if litter has been collected

Items for Reporting to Highways

- 1) Hedge cutting – the hedge along the Sports Field is obstructing the pavement. The Clerk explained that the Okeover Estate say that the cutting of the hedge is the responsibility of the Social Committee.
- 2) Other field hedges along Main Road – these are the responsibility of the Okeover Estate.
- 3) Cllrs raised concerns about vehicles speeding along Main Road and suggested that 30mph signs should be painted on the road at either end of the village.
Action: Clerk to contact DCC Highways regarding the above items
- 4) Gutters along Main Road are blocked with weeds.
Action: Clerk to contact DDDC

29/21 Rights of Way

Items for Reporting

No new jobs to report.

Update – jobs reported to Rights of Way

F736843 – FP 10 & 13 – reported 12/10/2020. There was no update from DCC.

30/21 Maintenance

Telephone Box

Cllr Marsh reported that the most popular suggestions for using the telephone box were as a library or a swap shop. Cllr Marsh said that Ken Marsh would be happy to install shelving. Cllrs were grateful for the offer.

Action: Cllr Marsh will check the telephone box for leaks prior to any shelving being installed (subject to cost)

Cllr Marsh suggested using WhatsApp to publicise a competition, aimed at children, for the best sign for the telephone box, with the prize being a £10.00 WH Smith gift voucher. Cllrs

agreed.

Action: Cllr Marsh to promote

Noticeboard

Cllrs discussed refurbishing the current noticeboard or buying/installing a new one. The Clerk said a larger noticeboard would be useful, with one side for the Parish Council and the other for community use and suggested contacting Cllr Fitzherbert (DDDC) and Cllr Spencer (DCC) for contribution from their respective local project funding pots. Cllrs suggested contacting the Social Committee.

Action: Clerk to contact Cllrs Fitzherbert and Spencer and the Social Committee

31/21 Finance

Bank Balance at 07/2021 - £3,435.62

Financial Expenditure - The Clerk presented the expenditure to date, there were no queries from Cllrs.

Invoices presented for payment

Name	Item	Action	Authorised
Fiona Raistrick	Salary (May) £85.20 (June) £63.90	Paid by BACs	Payment set up by the Clerk & authorised by Cllr Washer
Social Committee	Rental of Pavilion for meetings Item 20/20 £50.00 (2019 – 2020) chq 000206	To be paid by BACs	Agreed March 2020
Fiona Raistrick	Salary (July) TBC	To be paid by BACs for 26 th July	
IOC	Data protection fee renewal £40.00	To be paid by BACs	
Fiona Raistrick	Expenses - reimbursement for domain renewal (WordPress) £11.00	To be paid by BACs	

Cllrs approved payment by BACs of the invoices by the Clerk and Chair.

Action: Clerk to set up payments and ask Chair to authorise

32/21 Planning Applications

For Comment: None

Decisions: None to report.

Consultation & Draft Planning Services Statement - No comments from Cllrs.

33/21 Queen's Platinum Jubilee – 2nd June 2022

Buckingham Palace has suggested that communities may wish to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next year. Ideas include a beacon and tree planting. As the Parish Council doesn't own any land tree planting was discounted. Cllrs discussed possible locations for a beacon.

Action: Clerk to contact the Estate about a potential site for a beacon

34/21 Correspondence

All correspondence was emailed round to Cllrs prior to the meeting and included as an Agenda item where appropriate.

35/21 Items for next Agenda

None

36/21 Date of the next meeting / location

Cllrs agreed to start the September meeting at 7pm: Thursday 9th September 2021 at 7:00pm, Sports Pavilion

Action: Clerk to contact Church re November meeting

Meeting finished at 8:34pm

