

DURRINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on

Tuesday, 28th September 2021 at 7.00 p.m.

In the Robinson Room at the Village Hall, Durrington

Present	Cllr G Wright Cllr K Sharp Cllr D Healing Cllr S Paines Cllr M Wardell Cllr P Galan-Bamfield Cllr W Clarke Cllr S Burr Cllr S Rennie Cllr S Rennie Cllr I Silk Jo Tudor There were 2 members of public present	Chairman Vice Chairman Clerk
Item	Minute	Action
64/21	Apologies received from Cllr P Paul and Wiltshire Cllr I Blair-Pilling,	

65/21	There were no declarations of interest	
66/21	MINUTES - The Town Council Resolved to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 27 ^{th of} July 2021.	
67/21	PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS – Two members of the public raised questions about the future of the River Park. They wanted reassurances of its future use and maintenance. Cllr Wright provided a copy of his proposals for the upkeep maintenance of the park which was on the agenda for adoption and answered questions on the future of the park. He confirmed there were no plans to stop the public from using the River Park, he confirmed the issue of fishing would need to be looked at, at another time. There was a request from Mr Ian Silk to be co-opted onto the Council. The request was approved, and Cllr Silk signed the acceptance of office form.	Clerk to send out new councillor information.
68/21	REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN Cllr Wright – Cllr Wright circulated his report by email before the meeting. He added to his report that he and Cllr Sharp attended the church service on Sunday representing the Council at the service giving the keys of the schools to the headteachers.	

69/21	HALF YEARLY UPDATE FROM COUNCILLORS – The Chairman thanked Cllr Rennie for his emailed report which was circulated prior to the meeting. He then confirmed that with the arrival of the new facilities supervisor he felt a lot of the work the Councillors had to do would now be taken away giving them time to focus on different projects and giving them the chance to be more proactive. Cllr Rennie added that the youth services hope to re start the Friday Kids Club by Christmas,	
70/21	 REPORTS – from representatives of other organisations and meetings attended on behalf of the Council: - a. Stonehenge area Board – there was a virtual meeting, but they are still waiting to see whether the tunnel will proceed or not. b. CATG – no meeting c. Larkhill Community Partnership – no meeting, one is planned to plan the way forward with the partnership d. There was a virtual World Heritage Site Meeting attended by Cllr Sharp - they are currently waiting to see whether the tunnel will proceed or not. 	
71/21	CLERK'S REPORT – The Clerk reported that she had settled the dispute with BT having been given a reduction in the bill due to the issues that had arisen so that the payments start from the 1 ^{st of} September. The facilities supervisor started on Monday. The Youth Club had to close early on Thursday after some bad behaviour. The frog puzzle at the play park was damaged and removed by the Clerk and the CCTV footage has been given to the Police. The River Park project starts on Monday and the Clerk asked Cllrs to attend at the river to thank the volunteers throughout the week. The Electrical report for the Hall and the Pavilion shows items which require immediate attention. A few of the benches at the cemetery are rotten and need replacing. Nat's bench has been taken	

	away for restoration. The Clerk outlined the projects completed so far this year, Shed roof, Projector, Laptops, CCTV, Lawnmower, Office counter, cooker, Tennis courts and MUGA all of which have in the main come in under budget by a total of £9,000. The projects yet to come are a tree survey the redecoration of the hall and the riverbank project. The Clerk asked for a Councillor to assist with the CIL funds. Cllr Wright offered to help with these funds.	
72/21	WILTSHIRE COUNCILLORS REPORT – Cllr Wrights report was circulated to all prior to the meeting.	

73/21	ACCOUNTS – The Council RESOLVED to approve the Bank reconciliation and income and Expenditure for August 2021.	
74/21	MATTERS – Remembrance Day was discussed as were the street poppies. The Junior school will arrange to lay the crosses at the cemetery. There is a fence post at the Play Park in the Recreation Ground which is very loose. A new fence has been considered and quotes will be obtained. The Parish Plan was mentioned, and it was thought a Council Plan was more appropriate. The Electrical issues at the hall and the lighting used by other hirers of the hall will need to be addressed.	fencing and prepare a report.

75/21	The electrical report of the Hall and the Pavilion raised some concerns, and it was agreed that the C2 recommendations would be quoted for initially and agreed after which the Council will look at the C3 recommendations. The Lights in the Robinson Room need to be replaced as well.	The Clerk to arrange quotes
76/21	 Proposals a, b, c and d will be considered by a working party comprising Cllrs Wright, Rennie, Galan-Bamfield, Paul, Paines and Silk. The Council RESOLVED to approve: - e. The mileage Policy to include Councillors as well as staff. f. The new Health and Safety Policy. g. The generic risk assessment. h. The Plans for looking after the River Park. i. The donation to the Royal British legion under section 137 of the Local Government Act. j. The Sale of the Marquee for £500. k. The appointment of Auditing Solutions as internal auditors for 2021/22. I. An application for a grant from the area board for the Jubilee celebrations in 2022. m. Not approved to be investigated further n. A schedule of all meetings during the year. O. The response from the external auditor following completion of the AGAR. p. The planting of a tree by the WI on land owned by the Council at River Park, for the platinum jubilee. 	Working party to arrange meetings. Clerk to publish new policies on website and circulate the Health and Safety Policy and Mileage Policy to all staff. Action to publicise and open a public consultation Clerk to arrange Clerk to obtain quotes and put forward details for grant application. Clr Burr to look at appropriate gifts. Clerk to complete and circulate. Clerk to arrange with WI
77/21	CORRESPONDENCE – The Clerk had received an email from the member of public about the river park being very unsightly as it hasn't been cut and they have concerns about a tree which will be looked at by the tree surveyor when the inspection is organised.	_

78/21	DATE OF NEXT MEETING -	
	26 th October 2021.	

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