

BATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Batcombe Parish Council held on Wednesday 22nd March 2023 in the Old School, Batcombe, commencing at 8.00pm.

Present - Councillors: Janet Jones – Chair, Jayne Cox, Bryony Harling, Tom Price and Ian Sage.

Also Present: The Clerk – Rob Sage and two members of the public.

5389 – Apologies for Absence: Peter Glaisher and Clare Kingston.

5390 – Declarations of Interest: Ian Sage and Bryony Harling each declared an interest in the item on funding for the King's Coronation as they had both put forward ideas for funding.

5391 – Planning Application: Planning Application No: 2023/0356/HSE – Erection of outbuilding following demolition of two existing outbuildings – Mill Cottage, Mill Lane, Batcombe – Householder Application. The existing outbuildings had been erected without planning permission by the previous owners in the garden on the opposite side of Mill Lane to Mill Cottage. A neighbour noted that the new outbuilding would replace one that had been built right on the property boundary and the position of the new outbuilding in relation to the property boundary was not clear. Neither the fact that the previous buildings did not have planning permission or that there was a potential boundary dispute were considered to be material planning considerations. The Parish Council agreed to recommend approval but recommended conditions so that the outbuilding could not be used as ancillary accommodation or sold separately from Mill Cottage. The neighbour's concern over the boundary would also be noted in the response.

5392 – The Three Horseshoes Premises Licence Application Hearing: The hearing to consider the application for a premises licence for The Three Horseshoes would be held on Friday 31st March at 10.00am at the Mendip District Council offices. In addition to the Parish Council four neighbours had made representations regarding the application. The Agenda and papers for the hearing had been e-mailed to Parish Councillors. It was agreed that the Chair would represent the Parish Council at the hearing. The Clerk to inform the Committee Officer at Mendip. **Action: The Chair and The Clerk.**

5393 – Commemorating the King's Coronation: At the previous meeting it was noted that the Parish Council had made a contribution to previous Jubilee celebrations and had the power and the funds to be able to make a contribution to the celebration of the Coronation. Bryony Harling suggested crocheted crowns for the egg cups being given to the children, with eighty crowns at £3.50 costing £280. Ian Sage suggested commemorative mugs for the senior citizens and older children in the parish and had a price of £424.50 for 150 mugs with offers of £200 in donations towards the cost, resulting in net cost of £224.50. After discussion of the merits of both proposals, it was agreed to fund the purchase of the commemorative mugs. Bryony Harling stated that she would purchase some of the crocheted crowns to see if people wished to buy them. **Action: Ian Sage.**

5394 - Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday 5th April 2023 at 6.45pm in the Jubilee Hall to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm.

Janet Jones

5/4/23