

# BATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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## You are Summoned to the Monthly Meeting of Batcombe Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 6.45pm in the Jubilee Hall, Batcombe

*Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.*

### Agenda

**1. Apologies and Acceptance of Reasons for Absence**

**2. Declarations of Interest**

*It is the Councillors' responsibility to declare any interests they may have in any item on the Agenda. If you are uncertain please ask the Clerk before the meeting.*

**3. Public Participation – Open village meeting for any member of the public to raise any issue relevant to Batcombe Parish**

*The Chairman can invite members of the public to speak at this or any other appropriate point in the meeting.*

**4. Minutes of Meetings held on Wednesdays 1<sup>st</sup> March and 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023** to be agreed and signed. *Attached/enclosed.*

**5. Matters Arising** – information updates only.

*Allotments – One of the two vacant allotments has now been let.*

**6. Footpaths and Highways**

*Nothing to report.*

**7. Playing Field - Maintenance Report**

*Nothing to report.*

**8. Planning Application**

Planning Application No: 2023/0411/FUL –

Change of use from agricultural land to residential garden.

Creation of driveway, hardstanding, turning and parking area.

Stonecot, Batcombe – Full Application.

*An application for the creation of the driveway, hardstanding, turning and parking area was considered a year ago by the Parish Council, who recommended approval. The application was withdrawn (presumably when the requirement to apply for change of use became known). No details of the application are yet available on the District Council's planning website.*

**Planning Application Updates.**

*As reported at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the application for a rear extension at Churchill Cottage has been approved. The application for tree works at Pastoral (crown reduce an Apple tree and fell a*

*Juniper) has been approved. An application for prior approval for the conversion of a barn to a dwelling on land opposite Higher Greenscombe has been refused.*

**9. Authorisation of Payment**

- £1,158.43 The Clerk – Salary for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter. *See enclosed sheet.*
- £96.97 The Clerk – Expenses for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter. *See enclosed sheet.*
- £180.00 Kevin Gale – Grass cutting in March
- £509.40 Ian Sage – 150 Coronation Mugs (includes £84.90 in VAT)
- £25.00 SALC – Councillor Training – Responding to Planning Applications.

**10. Other Business** – matters of information only.

*The Annual General Meeting of the Somerset Association of Local Councils Ltd will take place on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April from 10.00am to 3.00pm (lunch included) at Edgar Hall in Somerton. Two representatives from each Parish Council belonging to the Association are invited to attend.*

**11. Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 at 7.30pm in the Old School Rooms, Batcombe.** *This is the Annual Parish Council Meeting at which the Parish Council Chair is elected for the year.*

Rob Sage – Clerk

29<sup>th</sup> March 2023