# West Crewkerne Parish Council

# NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE WEST CREWKERNE PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CLAPTON AND WAYFORD VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00pm on THURSDAY 25th JANUARY 2024

Rose Richards, Clerk to the Parish Council: 19th January 2024

ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

#### PUBLIC FORUM

This provides an opportunity for members of the public to participate before the meeting by asking questions of, raising concerns and make comments, regarding the Parish Council. A speaker in the Public Forum may only represent his or her point of view and shall not speak for more than 5 minutes. The Chair of the meeting has absolute discretion to request the speaker to stop, or adjourn the Public Forum at any time. No decision can be taken on issues raised unless the matter is already an item on the agenda. As this is not part of the formal meeting minutes will not be produced.

#### **Reports from Somerset County Councillors**

County and District Councillors may give short verbal reports on matters affecting West Crewkerne. Minutes will not be produced.

#### AGENDA

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 and Disorder, Health & Safety, Bullying & Harassment and Human Rights

- 174 Members to receive apologies for absence and to approve the Reasons given (LGA 1972 s85(1))
- 175 To receive any Declarations of Interest (pecuniary or non-statutory Interests)

176 Approve the Minutes of the Council Meetings held 23rd November 2023 (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))

## **177** Outstanding Items Update

#### **178 Planning Matters**

West Crewkerne Parish Council is a Statutory Consultee for Planning Applications and as such does not make the final decision on any application. Any decisions and comments made by the Parish Council will be reported to the Planning Officer. South Somerset District Council is the Planning Authority and will issue the final decision notice.

- a) Members to resolve Applications received:
- Application Reference: 23/03081/FUL Applicant: A H Warren Trust Ltd Location: Coombe Farm, Hill Dairy Hewish Lane West Crewkerne Proposal: Proposed permanent replacement of a temporary calf building Observations Required by: 10th January 2024
- b) Applications Decisions received None
- c) Applications Awaiting Decision None

## 179 Finance

Proposals:

- a) Members to approve the December payments and sign cheques
- b) Members to approve the bank reconciliations for November and December
- c) Members to approve the 2024/25 Budget and Precept requirement

## **180 Document Review**

Proposal: Members to review and adopt the following policies:

- a) Homeworking Policy No Change
- b) Home Working Risk Assessment Updated
- c) Safeguarding Statement Updated
- d) Publication Scheme Updated
- e) Retention and Disposal Updated

# 181 Report from the Joint Burial Committee

## 182 Highways Matters

- a) New drains fitted on the long straight to Clapton Farm towards the Toll House by the turning to Woolminstone are all blocked and do not continue up to the farm which floods more often.
- b) The section of the B3165 between the bends in the road at Coppersfield and before Hewish crossroads, new drains fitted either side have now increased flooding both sides of the road
- c) Cathole bridge near to the Wydale Factory since new power cable have been fitted the two drains have now blocked for the last two years and all Highways have done is put flood signs up

# 183 Brief report from the LCN Meetings held 18th January 2024

## 184 Clerk's Report and Correspondence -

- Price of Grit Bins researched
- Highways chased about repainting the 30 mph signs on the road leading into Clapton
- Blocked gullies along Clapton Road and recent flooding reported to Highways
- Checked if there was any data available from Speed Detector Vans in Clapton but there is nothing
- Application for SID funding followed up and will now be decided by the PCT at the end of January

## **Confidential Items**

Proposal: Under Standing Orders 3d and 10xi the Parish Council resolves that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted (legal, personal, or commercial), the press and public be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

## 185 Members to decide whether to purchase a Grit/Salt Bin for Hewish

186 Date of Next Meeting: 28th March 2024