

12. Planning Applications – Responses to be noted from Somerset Council

- (a) **2023/0564/TPO** TPO M1375: - T4/109 – Common Lime – Remove basal epicormic growth and raise low canopy to 3.6m, remove broken limb. T7/112 – Common Lime – Remove basal epicormic growth and raise canopy to 3.6m. T13/118 – Common Yew – Cut back from building by 2.1m. T21/126 – Scots Pine – Fell. Westbury House, Church Lane, Westbury Sub Mendip. **Decision from Somerset Council** This is a **notification** only and in line with the Council's Constitution and the adopted scheme of delegation and terms of reference, the decision for this application is delegated to officers. This notification is therefore being provided as a matter of courtesy for your information

13. To Be Resolved / Discussed

- (a) Proposal to renew the annual membership of The Countryside Charity (CPRE), the membership has increased from £36 per annum to £60 per annum.
- (b) Lichfield's have asked for a decision from the Parish Council as to where the preferred location for the Community Building could be sited, the barns outside the development off Roughmoor Lane or within the development itself.
- (c) Proposal to accept the quote and appoint a company to produce a Settlement Character Report for Westbury Sub Mendip
- (d) Proposal to accept the quote and appoint a company to produce a Village Transport Statement for Westbury Sub Mendip.
- (e) Proposal for the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to raise funds via crowdfunding or other means and whether the Parish Council would match fund the community fundraising £1 for £1 to a maximum of £2,000. Also, if community funding is not successful whether the Parish Council would cover the full costs.
- (f) If the above items have been resolved, discussion and proposal as to whether the Parish Council wishes to cover the costs out of the reserves or remove items from the budget.

14. Clerk's / Councillors Report

- (a) Further to a request for a site visit with regard to installing a Zebra crossing, the Traffic Engineer has replied stating it does not fall into their remit and to contact the Improvement Scheme Delivery Team. A separate report was attached with the supporting papers.
- (b) A request has been received for extra signage on the roads to inform motorists there are pedestrians in the road for areas where there aren't any pavements.
- (c) The dog waste bins have been ordered and were hopefully delivered between the agenda being issued and the meeting. Cllr Adamos Euripodou will arrange installation.
- (d) A letter has been received from Lichfields in response to the zoom meeting on 23rd February and a Pre-app Summary, these have been published on the website as requested.
- (e) Following the resignation of a Councillor and the formal notice being adhered to, the Parish Council may co-opt a Parish Councillor.

15. Finance

Bank Balances as at 24th April 2023

Current Account £2,684.95

Reserve Account £30,180.05

End of Year Budget Review

Approval and signature of Bank Reconciliation as at 31st March 2023

Receipts

(a) Somerset Council – Annual Precept - £12,595.00 – received 24.04.23

(b) HMRC – VAT Refund - £546.87 – received 13.04.23

Payments

(c) Do the Numbers Ltd – Internal Auditor - £190.00

(d) Glasdon – Dog waste Bins - £788.19

(e) Parish Clerk – Salary and Expenses – April - £368.16

16. Correspondence

(a) Publication of Wells Neighbourhood Plan – forwarded 26.04.23

17. Matters to report / items for next agenda

18. Date and time of Next meeting – Wednesday 7th June 2023 to be held in the Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm.