

# PUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Puxton & Hewish

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## You are summoned to a Council Meeting at 7pm on January 6th 2022

*Meetings are held at 7.00pm in the Village Hall unless stated otherwise*

*All are welcome, unless precluded by a procedural resolution. You will not be entitled to speak, except within the Public Session*

*We have vacancies for Councillors - contact the Clerk or a Councillor, in the first instance, to apply*

**Don Hill - Clerk**

## AGENDA & AGENDA NOTES

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

### 3 PUBLIC SESSION *15 minutes - Contributions are limited to 3 minutes: they should be concise and to the point*

### 4 LAST MEETING MINUTES + MATTERS ARISING December 2nd minutes to be agreed and signed.

### 5 PLANNING *Details at <https://planning.n-somerset.gov.uk/online-applications/>*

- i. **New: 21/P/3525/CQA Villa Farm** - conversion of 2 barns to 2 dwellings.
- ii. **Decisions Due 19/P/0815/FUL** Puxton Park car park. **21/P/2320/FUL** The Grange Glamping Cabin  
**21/P/2949/FUL** The Elms 2nd floor. **21/P/3150/CQA** New Orchard Barn Conversion.
- iii. **Approved: 21/P/1063/AOC** Mendip View Conditions Discharge. **21/P/2593/OUT:** East Hewish  
New cottage for Willowbrook Farm. **21/P/2637/FUH:** Oakacre retrospective roof amendment.

### 6 FINANCE

- i. **2020-21 Accounts:** Pre-circulated with meeting papers.
- ii. **2021-22 Budget Draft:** For approval.
- iii. **Payments Due:**

### 7 HIGHWAY MATTERS

- i. **Maysgreen Lane 20mph speed limit:** Regulations surrounding the imposition of 20mph speed limits seem to be vexing several NSC District Councillors. Puxton PC - still insistent that Maysgreen Lane needs a 20mph limit - is awaiting a briefing from our District Councillor in due course - see below. Hopefully this will start easing the process towards becoming a reality!

**Curb break-up** by the cheese factory, where a passing space has been mooted, is being persistently ignored by NSC, and is spreading to other curb-side areas of the lane. When will the issue of curb-side safety on this narrow, twisting lane, populated by high volumes of heavy traffic, be effectively addressed? A long term remedy will continue to be pressed for.

- ii. **Warning signs re blind bends:** Puxton Road - The Appletree Cottage bend to Chestnut House, and Willow Farm to The Cottage. Maysgreen Lane would need a sign at each end to warn of a narrow winding lane. Further NSC response awaited.
- iii. **Puxton Lane/Puxton Road Junction:** Of possible alternatives, a mini-roundabout incorporating the (re-positioned?) green and fingerpost and with clear white-lining arrows on the highway was favoured. The parish share of costs (a back of envelope figure of some £10,000) is likely to be significant. An NSC reaction to this idea is awaited.

**The council will pursue the goals of i-iii at an operational level as they are currently doing.**

- iv. **A370 Pedestrian Crossing:** This is on a legacy project to-do-list, but without a firm funding timetable. As long as PPC wish to pursue the project it will remain on that list.
- v. **A370 lay-by blocked gullies:** These have been identified and their emptying ordered.
- vi. **A370 Village Entry Planters:** Cllr C Penfold awaiting proposal from possible sponsor in Smallway.

## 8 OTHER MATTERS

- i. **NSC Footpath initiative:** Decisions awaited.
- ii. **Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022:** Planning update - including: sources of mugs - how to establish the number of children in the parish - what is the age group to which should mugs be offered?

## 9 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

**10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Thursday February 3rd 2022 in the Village Hall at 7pm.