

CLERK'S REPORT – 11th March 2025

Parish Matters and Works – Agenda Item 6

Parish Council Vacancy – The vacancy arising from the resignation of Charles Carr has been duly advertised with no election being called by ten electors. The Council is therefore free to Mark Wormsley at this meeting, if he is willing and able to stand.

Move to monktoncombe-pc.gov.uk domain and e-mail address changes – Councillors are urged to move to the new .gov.uk e-mail address as soon as convenient. The previous addresses will continue to forward all mail for the foreseeable future.

Community Improvement projects for CIL – the Clerk has received correspondence with suggestions and will report this here at this and future meetings.

These are in addition to the Missing Footpath Sections at Mount Pleasant and Shaft Road highlighted to Ward Councillor Fiona Gourley, and listed below under Highways and Footpaths.

Equipment and Facilities – Checks by Councillors to report

- **Car Park** – Any Report
- **Village Playground** – Any Report
- **Neighbourhood Watch** - Any Report
- **Lockup** – We have received an Invitation to Comment on the Application to Amend the Designation Listing. – Any further report.
- **Miss Davies Garden**
- **Village Hall**
- **Church Drung Wall** – In need of repair, highlighted by Village Sweeper.

Wheelwrights Public House – The Clerk circulated all the papers concerning the registration of the Packhorse Public House as a Community Asset.

Highways and Footpaths – Agenda Item 8

A36 Closure – Impacts on Tucking Mill Lane and elsewhere. The A36 has re-opened a single carriageway under traffic light control at 1st March. The road closure of Tucking Mill Lane has therefore been lifted.

However, it appears there has been some damage caused by the heavy use as a diversion when it was open.

Shaft Road - Tarmac drive extension protruding into road – Any report on progress from last meeting.

There is none physically.

Combe Down Allotments – A Report on the current situation regarding closure. B&NES Newsroom Update have published a statement on their website. But basically there is no progress as the owner has not engaged at all with any attempt to discuss this matter. There is nothing further to report beyond this.

Footpath BA16/12 Brassknocker Hill to Dundas – Works have been carried out to resolve the problems due to the flooding.

Temporary Closure of Public Footpaths BA16/2 & BA22/18, Tucking Mill Reservoir – 19/05/2025 six months. We have received a notice of this closure.

Brassknocker Hill – Correspondence has been received from a resident raising concerns about the Highways safety on this road.

Reports – Agenda Item 9

School – Any Report following up on the report that the condition of the Ash Trees along the Clank and parallel footpath appears to pose a possible risk to Public Safety due to Ash Die back.

Correspondence Received – Agenda Item 10

Meet Your Ward Councillors Saturday 1 March at the King William in Tunley 10.30-12.30pm – Any Report

Ward Councillors Empowerment Fund – Ward Councillor Fiona Gourley has drawn your attention to this.

Licensing Consultation – Licensing Act 2003 – The Clerk has responded to the Consultation suggesting the Policy should be revised to include Parish Councils as a Consultee to a Licensing Application. Also to highlight the issuing of a Temporary Event Notice that contradicts any Planning or Licensing restrictions already in place.

Dates for Future Meetings – Agenda Item 12

To confirm dates for the coming year all at 7:00 p.m. other than the Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 28th April 2025 at 7:30 p.m. Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 13th May 2025 – Annual Parish Council Meeting (Audit and Annual Return).