Bratton Clovelly Parish Council

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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting (no.214) held in the school room at 7:30pm on Wed 12th July 2023.**

**Present:** W. Jellyman, P. Gilbert, K. Huggins, C. Bowyer and S. May.

WDB Cllr T. Southcott and Clerk R Ward

It was agreed the Cllr P Gilbert would chair the meeting

1. Public Participation: Restricted to 15 mins in total. None
2. Apologies: To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence: Cllrs B. McNelis, C. Braidwood, and WDBC Mott
3. Declaration of Interest: None
4. West Devon Report: Cllr Southcott/Mott Committees are now formed and things should start to move forward. Affordable housing has been made a priority. Report was emailed out.
5. Planning
	1. None
	2. Other planning - None decision making
6. Agree and sign minutes: - from 14th June 2023 (213)  ***Approved***
7. Finance:
	1. Financial report (Clerk - emailed round) ***Approved***
	2. To note payment of Clerk’s wages and HMRC Payments

 4th June to 3rd July 2023 - £261. ***Noted***

To authorise the following Expenses: Cllr Bowyer – Printer ink £34.98 ***Authorised***

1. PHMC report – Cllr Gilbert also to consider the suggestion of a mobile shop in the Hall car park. This was approved and it was agreed to set up a coffee morning in the hall to coincide with the shop, to raise funds for the Church, Hall and School Room. There will be an open day/ fund raiser on 12th August 2023 to get ideas for the halls usage, to bring the community together and to get some volunteers. The Councillors agreed to have a “meet the councillor” day to coincide with this. The road outside the Hall has been top dressed,
2. Defibrillator – update: A discussion about First responders, Cllr Gilbert will draft a poster and Cllr May will draft something for the Face book hub. Cllr May now has the phone number for the pre defib pack and will order one.
3. Mobile Library: DCC are reviewing the Mobile Library facility next week. Concern about losing a valuable social and educational hub was raised. Cllr Southcott will write expressing our concerns. Cllr Southcott will find out if some of the money saved could come to parishes to set up their own libraries.
4. Police Liaison Update:  Cllr Huggins The police are recruiting at the moment for local officers to support the neighbourhood teams. Sgt. Ottley seems very proactive and will soon be sending out monthly newsletters. There may be a parish surgery in the future.
5. P3 – Cllrs Gilbert and Braidwood – Update: some equipment still seems to be missing. Nothing else to report.
6. Playground Report – work to finish group update (Cllr Bowyer) the quote from Richard Mitchell for £5850 has been ***agreed*** – work should start as soon as possible after the clerk has had the insurance cert. Staged payments will be made.
7. Correspondence – none
8. Items for next agenda: Cllr Huggins will look at the railings to see what needs doing and report to the September meeting. . The Bench has been uncovered after vegetation was cut back and A Barton will be asked to cut the grass regularly and bill the PC. Cllr Huggins will also ask for volunteer gardeners for this autumn. Cllr Gilbert will ask the BCPHMC if the PC can put a notice board on the Hall wall.
9. Date of next meeting: 13th September at 7:30pm