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**Minutes of Whatley & Chantry Parish Council Meeting  
held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 7:00pm  
at Holy Trinity, Chantry**

19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Member Present:**

Councillor Andrew Bramston (Chair)  
Councillor Richard Evans

Councillor Will Palmer  
Councillor Jon Scott

**Officers Present:** No officers were present

**Members of the Public:** Ellie Swinhoe (ES) – assisting with communications for the Council

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## Agenda

- 072024.1 Chairs Welcome**
- 072024.2 Apologies for absence:**  
Apologies received from Colin Boorer
- 072024.3 Declaration of Councillors' interests and requests for dispensation:**  
To declare any interests relating to the business of the meeting and receive any dispensation requests from the Clerk (Localism Act 2011 s29-34)
- None Declared**
- 072024.4 Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024**  
Approved.
- 072024.5 Somerset County Councillors' report**  
None in attendance.
- 072024.6 Public Participation relating to meeting agenda items**  
None present
- 072024.7 Presentation from external organisations:**  
None Received

- 072024.8 Clerks Report**  
There were no comments regarding the Clerks report.
- 052024.9 Finance: (Responsible Finance Officer)**
- The council resolved to approve:**
- Current Expenditure at 30th June 2024
  - Invoices for payment in July and August
  - Payment of the 2 x Defibrillators to British Heart Foundation
- The Clerk is also asked to check what the details of public liability insurance cover are for events held on the parish field and playground area. Are there any notable restrictions on events?
- 052024.15 Local Farmers Liaison**  
Nothing to report
- 052024.16 Roads & Highways Liaison**  
Cllr Bramston mentioned fly tipping was reported to Highways at the bottom of Bulls green lane near Dead Woman's Bottom.
- 052024.17 Chantry Village Liaison**  
Cllr Evans reported that the Quarry loop walk was a success with 53 residents of Whatley and Chantry completing the circuit. Heidelberg Materials have agreed to donate £1000 to the village Friends groups as sponsorship. We plan to repeat the Quarry loop next year. Cllr Evans also reported the works in Chantry church are completed. A celebration of this will be held on August 9th.
- 052024.18 Whatley Village Liaison**  
Cllr Palmer reported that the launch of Friends of Whatley at St Georges was a success with a strong village turnout. They are gathering ideas for village events currently.
- 052024.19 Quarry Liaison**  
Cllr Bramston circulated a report before the meeting and advised that whilst blasting complaints are down, there are some problems with quarry lorries going through Chantry. Issue to be raised at the next Liaison meeting.
- 052024.20 Communications**  
Defibrillators are now installed and working in Chantry and Whatley. A resident highlighted that to be effective there should be volunteer response teams to assist in a crisis. Each village to have its own teams that are trained. For an incident there should be 3 responders – 1 for CPR, 1 to collect the defibrillators and 1 to handle communications with ambulance 999 etc. We should get 5/6 volunteers per village in order to have back-ups. David Galvin is arranging training. We need a solution for how the teams can be reached in an emergency. ES to consider WhatsApp group/etc.
- 052024.21 Local Business Liaison**  
Nothing to report
- 052024.22 Planning Applications**  
None to consider
- 052024.24 WCGT Update**  
Chantry received funding for rare snowdrop bulbs for the church yard.

**052024.25**      **Items for next Agenda / Items to Report**

**052024.26**      **Date and venue of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024, St Georges, Whatley

**052024.27**      **Exclusion of press and public**

Nothing required

**The meeting finished at 8:00pm.**