Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council which took place on Monday 15 January 2018 at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

<u>PRESENT</u> Cllrs Bishop, Cripps, Finlay, Joy, Rowswell, Wakely, Messrs A Dance (District & Councillor), C Raikes (District Councillor).

APOLOGIES Cllrs Brunt, England, Lillywhite.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

MINUTES The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

DC REPORT

Crispin Raikes said there was nothing to report and the next full Council Meeting would take place the following week.

CC REPORT

Following the County Council's decision to discontinue its Speed Indicator Device programme, South Petherton Parish Council is considering purchasing a device, which it may rent out to other villages.

The Clerk will express the Parish Council's disappointment about cuts in the Park & Ride Service at Taunton.

A reminder will be sent about renewing the white lines in the village.

SOUTH SOMERSET ELECTORAL REVIEW

The Local Government Boundary Commission had published draft recommendations on the future electoral arrangements for South Somerset District Council and a ten week public consultation will now take place. Shepton Beauchamp is to remain in the South Petherton Ward and there are proposals for Barrington and Stocklinch to join it.

PLANNING

No objections were raised to an application to erect a side extension and porch to Brimley, Brimgrove Lane.

There were no objections to plans for alterations, loft conversion and erection of garden room extension to rear of The Gables, Middle Street, but it was noted that an extra bedroom is proposed with no extra provision for parking.

Permission was granted for the erection of detached dwelling and garage on Plot 3 Shells Lane.

VILLAGE SHOP

The Councillors discussed the future of the Village Shop and Post Office and it was decided to invite anyone with constructive ideas or a willingness to become involved to come to the next Parish Council Meeting at 8pm.

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ACCOUNTS

Cheques were drawn for:

Shepton Beauchamp Village Hall – grant	£500.00
Shepton Beauchamp Parochial Church Council – grant	1,000.00
Lethbridge Memorial Recreation Committee – grant	1,900.00

The Precept for 2018/19 was unanimously agreed at £17,603.

DEFIBRILLATORS

The defibrillators have been ordered and now that the Shop is on the market it was suggested that the defibrillator which was to be sited there is now moved to the Village Hall.

ALLOTMENTS

The manure has been delivered and the Allotment Holders have been advised to help themselves to three barrow loads.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35 pm.