	STURMINSTER MARSHALL PARISH COUNCIL Minutes the Meeting of the Full Council on Thursday 5 th October 2023 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall	
	Present: Chairman Cllr Palmer; Cllr S Cade; Cllr M Steel, Cllr L Seare, Cllr H Fookes, Cllr Purtill and Cllr J Jackson	
	Also in attendance: Dorset Cllr R Cook	
1	MEMBERS OF PUBLIC – There were 3 members of the public present.	
	A local developer spoke about the development at 97 and 99 High Street. They are proposing traditional brick built Victorian houses to be in keeping with the street scene.	
2	APOLOGIES – MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. Cllr A Godfrey and Mrs A Clothier (Parish Clerk) gave their apologies, and these were accepted by the committee.	
3	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none.	
4	POLICE REPORT See Appendix 1 . A meeting was held with PC Lawrence to outline the issues in the Parish.	
5	<u>MINUTES</u> The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 5 th September 2023 were approved as true record of the meeting.	
6	MATTERS ARISING A report from the Clerk which had been circulated and is attached to these minutes as Appendix 2. Ongoing issues from the Clerks Report are:	
	i. Churchill Close Green	
	ii. Neighbourhood Plan	Clerk
7	AMENITIES AND FACILITIES	
7	i Playground – No issues were highlighted from the monthly inspection. The playground signs will be installed as soon as possible.	
	 ii. Churchill Close Green – i. Football Club lease – The draft licence was agreed and the Clerk will send this to the Football Club for signing. Clerk to 	
	speak to John Hart regarding the issues with the Land Registry for the Churchill Close Green. ii. Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund - ongoing	
	iii. Trees – Clerk to request quote for tree works as advised by the tree survey. Clerk to speak to Andy Beale from Dorset Council about tree recommendations for Churchill Close Green. Clerk to write to Aster	Clerk
	about the overgrown vegetation at Tattersall Gardens. iv. Defibrillator at Mapperton – A quote has been received from Community Heartbeat Trust for £1925 for a defibrillator and cabinet.	

v. vi. vii. viii. ix. INVIRONMENT i. ii.	 This was approved with all in agreement. Clerk to order. Actions from Risk Assessment i) Maypole Green Noticeboard – this has now been ordered. ii) Churchill Close bench – this has been repaired iii) Stocks – this has been repaired. RAF Plaque – it was agreed that the existing plaque should be left in place and a new plaque should be installed near to the war memorial. Footpaths – Clerk to request a meeting with Rights of Way to discuss footpath signs. Memorial Hall – in progress. The title deeds need to be produced. Trafalgar Green – it was noted that some of the posts on Trafalgar Green have been removed. Clerk to ask Mr Miller to replace these. Drainage Ditches – awaiting works at Moor Lane. Climate Change Action Plan – the following actions have taken place: Neighbourhood Plan Trees – 4 new trees to be planted in Autumn Suppliers – local supplier used for playground repairs Electric Car Charge Point – expression of interest completed EV Charge Points – The Parish Council have been informed that Dorset 	Clerk Clerk Clerk
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	Council would like to progress the EV Charge point at Sturminster Marshall. Clerk to organise meeting with DC and Chair of Memorial Hall.	
RAFFIC & TRAN	ISPORT	Clerk
i ii. iii. iv.	A31/A350 – the road closure at Spetisbury has resulted in traffic diverting through Mapperton, which is a track. This road is unsuitable and an ambulance had to be called for a driver who became unwell whilst navigating the route. Highways – the Speed Watch training session will take place in the week of the 16 th October. Speeding on Mill Lane – an email has been received from Dorset Council suggesting cattle signs as a first step in reducing speed on this road. Clerk to respond to gather more details. Pedestrian Crossing Request – meeting to be requested with Dorset Council.	
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	iii. To discuss arrangements for Remembrance Sunday – Cllr Cade to speak to Vicar.	
	iv. Annual budget setting meeting – Clerk to email and arrange date	
	 Quarterly Report and Bank Reconciliation – it was noted that the bank reconciliation was 0.50p out but this was due to an underpayment to 	
	the Clerk which will be resolved next month.	
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12	CALANDER OF MEETINGS 2024 i. To agree meeting dates for 2024 – the suggested dates for 2024 will	
	be circulated by email. The date for May will be the 9 th .	
13	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	
	• The Neighbourhood Plan consultation report is being prepared.	
14	CORRESPONDENCE	
	 Overgrown lay-by in Parklea – this has now been cleared by Dorset Council 	
	 Traffic – Front Lane – Clerk to contact Alms House Charity 	
	Bartons Ground Fence – following identification of the person cutting the	
	 fence, this Police matter has closed Polling Stations – Clerk to respond on behalf of the Parish Council. 	
	 Clearing of Unclassified Road off Mill Lane – correspondence received asking 	
	for the clearing of the unclassified road.	
15	PARISH MATTERS	
	Litter and horse manure was reported on Churchill Close Green.	
	<u>The Parish Council meeting was suspended at 9.00pm whilst the Planning Committee</u> took place. See minutes 5 th October 2023 for details.	
16	The Parish meeting re-convened at 9.30pm	
	DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Thursday 2 nd November 2023 at 7.30pm	
	There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.30	
	SignedChairman 2 nd November 2023.	

