

Teston Parish Council

These Minutes were approved at the meeting on 30th November 2021

Minutes of Meeting on 12th October 2021
7.45pm Teston Village Hall

Cllr Coulling (Chairman)
Cllrs Douglass (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Levett
Cllr Owens
Cllr Miss Page

Mrs Michelle Tatton (Clerk)

Members of the public - none

21/103	Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: In the interests of transparency, all Parish Councillors declare that that they have an interest in (a) Ash Tree Corner, Courtlands Verge and the Allotments, as the Parish Council owns the land; (b) the Village Green and Village Hall as Custodian Trustees; (c) Teston Land Conservation Trust Matters as they are Trustees; (d) Teston Village Stores CIC as they are Directors of the CIC; d) Cllr Douglass, Cllr Miss Page and Cllr Mrs Wheat have an interest as members of Teston Village Hall Management Committee; and e) Cllr Burgon, Cllr Owens, Cllr Miss Page, and Cllr Mrs Wheat have an interest as members of the Parochial Church Council. It was noted that the Chairman does not have a dispensation for CIC money matter and Cllr Douglass did not have a dispensation for the Village Hall for money matters.
21/104	Apologies for Absence: Received from Cllr Ms Burgon and Cllr Mrs Wheat and these were <u>accepted</u>.
21/105	Broadband Facilities at Teston Village Hall: The Chairman had circulated a briefing prior to the meeting. The supply of unlimited broadband via BT would cost £52.95 per month, based on a 24 month contract, plus a one off fee of £9.95 plus vat for the router. The Parish Council's position with regard to VAT was noted. Wifi would be available to all users of the village hall thereby serving a wide public benefit. It was <u>agreed</u> that, subject to an email from Cllr Douglass as Chairman of the Village Hall, that the Parish Council should proceed to engage with BT upon the installation of broadband and would donate the service to the Village Hall. The situation would be reviewed towards the end of the 24 month contract. Further consideration would be given to the possibility of purchasing a projector or whiteboard. Cllr Ms Burgon would be requested to investigate whiteboard options.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed.....Chairman
30th November 2021