

KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on February 7th 2017 in Kentisbeare Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. J Wadsworth (Chair)(part of meeting), Mrs Q Broom, R Shore-Quinain, Mrs D Jackson-Wootton, Mrs T Dominy, A Southall, M Disney, Mrs E Ellicott, Mrs W Reed, District Cllr. Mrs R Berry, County Cllr. Mr J Berry and the Clerk.

Public Question Time: None.

12/02/17. Apologies: Cllr. Mrs S Woofenden.

13/02/17. Declarations of interest. Cllr. Shore-Quinain DPI (as spouse) payment to the Clerk.

14/02/17. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council, held on 17/01/2017 were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

15/02/17. Planning.

a) Applications considered by the Parish Council. (Cllr. Mrs Ellicott joined the meeting).

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-17/00166/FULL Internal and external alterations to facilitate the change of use under Class R (planning ref: 16/00418/PNPD) Land at NGR 309470 109287 (Black Barn) Blackborough. Concern about the lack of information received regarding the part of the application that states “food processing”, together with concern about the foul drainage assessment, due to insufficient information within the application. The Parish Council is unsure as to whether the reed bed will be fit for purpose.

-17/00153/HOUSE Erection of two storey side extension and single extension to rear. 8 Parsons Close. No objections.

For information only: 15/01357/FULL Details pursuant received. Land and Buildings at NGR 307932 107348 (Orway Porch Farm). Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling.

b) Results of applications from Mid Devon District Council.

-16/01875/HOUSE Erection of extension to form double car port and oil store, Warren Farm. Approved.

-16/01896/CAT Notification of intention to remove 1 fir tree within the Conservation Area. Rose Cottage, Fore Street. Approved.

-17/00018/CAT Woodlands. Intention to remove a group of Conifer trees within the Conservation Area. Approved.

-16/01864/HOUSE Pirzwell Manor Kentisbeare. Conversion of outbuildings for domestic use. Permitted with conditions to discharge.

c) Local Plan Review Proposed Submission - (incorporating proposed modifications) and Revised Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule Consultation 03/01/17-14/02/17.

d) To agree on a response to the above, from Kentisbeare Parish Council. Concerns of the Parish Council include; insufficient infrastructure to cope with any more development in Cullompton, the size of the proposal and flooding issues. A response will be submitted by 14/02/17. No comments made in respect of the CIL Draft Charging Schedule.

e) To report on the recent Parish meeting held on 25/01/17. A Parish meeting was held where around 160 people attended to receive details of the Local Plan Review Proposed Submission, together with information on the recent approval by the government of Garden Village Status on the land to the East of Cullompton. The meeting focussed on what the public could do and only a small number of queries were raised.

f) Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan 1st Consultation Draft. Cllr. Mrs Broom reported on a recent presentation where Cllrs. Southall and Mrs Dominy were also in attendance together with a few neighbouring Parishes as invited. Details of the Plan are available on-line. Enquiries will be made regarding the possibility of Cllr. Mrs Broom attending future meetings as a representative for Kentisbeare Parish Council.

g) Any other planning matters. Cllrs. Mrs Broom and Mrs Dominy will attend a presentation on Eden Westwood on 22/02/17. The Clerk will remind the Head of Planning and Regeneration at MDDC that a meeting regarding the recent approval by the government of Garden Village Status on land to the East of Cullompton is needed when more information becomes available.

16/02/17. Highways.

a) To report on work carried out to receive reports on repairs that are needed. The surface of the road is poor along Yerris Road (W17977282) and Long Drag. The verge below Ponchydown Farm needs attention (W17977276). Cllr. Mrs Broom will report a blocked drain at Orway. Notification of road closures: Road from Croyle Cross to Nibby's Cross 27/3/17-31/3/17 and Yew Wood Cross to Fore Street 26/04/17-10/05/17.

b) Report on recent meeting regarding highways issues within the Parish. Cllr. Wadsworth reported on a recent informal meeting where he was in attendance with the Clerk, Cllrs. Southall, Mrs Broom, John Berry, two representatives from Highways and a possible contractor for undertaking works within the Parish. Areas of concern will be reviewed and a quotation will follow for consideration by the Parish Council.

c) Any other highway matters. None.

17/02/17. Reports.

a) The Clerk. None.

b) The Chairman. The latest K-net e-newsletter was sent out last week.

c) DCC Cllr J Berry. The hospital in North Devon is not due to close. There are to be no reductions in public transport. There will be an increase in the budget for social services. Information was given on environmental grants via Tesco. Parents are encouraged to respond to the National Funding Consultation in respect of the "Campaign for Fair Funding for our rural schools" which runs until 22/2/17, and also to write to the local MP.

d) MDDC Cllr Mrs R Berry. The projected Budget deficit has been reduced to £94,000. Kingfisher Reach is designated a through road connecting Swallow Way and the North West development, for which it is totally unsuitable. Many residents were unaware until recently, that the road through Kingfisher Reach was designated a through road, and most were not told before they bought their properties. **Broadband** - Gigaclear have the contract for Phase Two in Mid Devon which should improve broadband for many, but some more rural areas will still not have access to reliable broadband by 2019. Possible solutions are being explored. People are encouraged to write to the local MP. A new Director of Operations is due to start on 01/03/17.

e) Playing Field. Nothing to report.

f) Police. One crime reported. News of possible reductions in PCSO's; an opportunity to speak directly to the Police Crime Commissioner at the Annual Community Safety Partnership conference in Broadclyst on 05/04/17.

g) The Parish Paths. The Clerk and Cllr. Mrs Ellicott are in the process of completing the annual P3 survey and finance/bid forms. A request for a site visit with the site manager of Silver Wood will be made to discuss the option of upgrading the surface of the path. The site manager will be invited to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting and Reception.

h) Kentisbeare Village Hall. Latest news to date was put into the last e-newsletter.

i) Any other reports. It is thought that the Eel Pool sign is broken; the Clerk will investigate. *(Cllr. Wadsworth left the meeting and the Vice-Chairman, Cllr. Mrs Broom chaired the meeting thereafter).*

18/02/17. Finance.

a) The bank balance was reported as at 19/01/17. Credits since the last statement include £140 in respect of advertising on the Parish website and £7.50 for allotment rental.

b) The following payments were approved totalling £655.43:

-Chq 001418 Mrs M Shore-Quinain, Clerk's salary and expenses.

-Chq 001419 Kentisbeare Village Hall. Room hire.

b) The Nest Pension Scheme deduction for January 2017 was confirmed.

c) S106 funds. Following information received from the S106 Officer at MDDC, it was resolved for the reservation of funds towards Kentisbeare Playing Field. Quotations will be sourced in respect of a BMX track and/or a skate ramp.

d) Audit 2017/18. Due to illness, the long standing internal auditor is no longer able to carry out work. It was agreed to instruct Sandra Aldworth for 2017/18 (as 2016/17).

e) Defibrillator at Sainthill. Following electronic correspondence received from Life Saver Technology, regarding annual maintenance of defibrillators at a cost of £28 per annum, it was agreed that if required, the Parish Council will meet the cost of this in respect of the three defibrillators within the Parish.

f) Review of Fixed Asset Register. The register was agreed for audit; amendments reflect the purchase of another Parish noticeboard, a post for the sign in the village square and a new laptop.

g) Any other financial matters to be noted. Hemyock Parish Council has confirmed support for an application to the Tap Fund Phase 2 for the purchase of an outdoor table tennis table at the playing field (as previously agreed minute ref:

150/11/16 g.). Due to a grant being held in reserve, an application will be put forward for £1400 to include supply and delivery; installation costs to be taken from reserve. *(Cllrs: Mr and Mrs Berry left the meeting).*

19/02/17. Correspondence. CPRE Devon Seminar 10/2/17. Eden Westwood Presentation on 22/2/17. Annual Conference East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership 05/04/17. *(Cllr. Shore-Quinain left the meeting).*

20/02/17. Annual Parish Meeting and Reception for 2017. A date was agreed of 25/04/17. It was resolved to invite a speakers on behalf of the Blackdown Hills Parishes Network and The Woodland Trust. Other attendees will be invited to speak (advance notice will be given).

21/02/17. Possible flood prevention aids/ideas. It was resolved to defer this item to a future meeting.

22/02/17. Devon Air Ambulance – Community Landing Site Information. Cllr. Mrs Dominy agreed to make enquiries to see what is involved regarding night landing sites.

23/02/17. Litter Picking in 2017. Cllrs. Disney and Miss Dominy. Deferred - to be discussed in the spring.

24/02/17. Items for information and future agenda items. Apologies from Cllr. Wadsworth for 07/03/17. Possible flood prevention aids/ideas. Annual Parish Meeting and Reception. Litter Picking.

25/02/17. Dates of future meetings of the Parish Council. 07/03/17, 04/04/17 (Sainthill), 25/04/17 (Annual Parish Meeting) 09/05/17 (Annual Parish Council Meeting).

The meeting finished at 10.10pm.