

KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on September 12th 2017 Kentisbeare Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. J Wadsworth (Chair), Mrs Q Broom, Mrs S Woofenden, Mrs D Jackson-Wotton, Mrs W Reed, M Disney, Mrs T Dominy, R Shore-Quinain, Mrs E Ellicott, J Berry and the Clerk.

Public Question Time: None.

102/08/17. Apologies. Cllrs. A Southall, Mrs R Berry.

103/08/17. Declarations of interest: Cllr. R Shore-Quinain, payment to the Clerk (DPI as spouse). Cllr. Mrs Reed (DPI as applicant) planning application 17/01304/FULL. Planning application 17/01176/FULL: Cllr. Mrs Broom personal (as related to the applicant) and Cllr. Mrs Reed personal (as known to the applicant).

104/08/17. The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 01/08/2017 were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

105/08/17. Planning & Planning Correspondence.

a) Applications considered by the Parish Council:

[-17/01176/FULL](#) Kentismoor Farm. Erection of a replacement agricultural livestock building (601.81 sq. m.). See declarations. No objections.

[-17/01304/FULL](#) Land at NGR 308735 108732 France Farm, Blackborough. Change of use of land for the temporary siting of an agricultural workers caravan. See declarations. Cllr. Mrs Reed left the room for this item. No objections.

b) Results of applications from Mid Devon District Council and items of information:

[-17/00669/OUT](#) Outline for the erection of a poultry manager's dwelling. Land at NGR 306382 109466 Jarmins Cross, Kentisbeare. Permitted with conditions to discharge.

For information only: - [17/00166/FULL](#) Black Barn, Blackborough (i) Details pursuant discharged. Land at NGR 309470 109287 Internal and external alterations to facilitate the change of use under Class R (planning reference 16/00418/PNPD).

(ii) [-17/01320/NMA](#) Permission granted for proposed non-material amendment to allow addition of fire escape door on West elevation and insertion of additional ground floor windows on West and North elevations – Black Barn, Blackborough.

[-17/01109/PNCOU](#) Change of use refusal of prior approval. Prior notification for the change of use of a building from office use (Class B1 (a)) to 2 dwellings (Class C3) under Class O. Land and Buildings at NGR 306735 107685 (1-4 Warren Units, Kentisbeare).

[-17/01146/PNAG](#) Agricultural/Forestry Development Acceptance. Prior notification for the erection of an extension to an agricultural storage building. Land & Buildings at NGR 306145 107024 (Woodstock Farm) Kentisbeare.

c) Following a recent informal meeting of the Parish Council where Devon Communities Together gave details of a Neighbourhood Plan, it was resolved not to go forward with a Plan at this time. It was agreed that many aspects of a Plan would be of benefit, but that presently, the future regarding development is uncertain. Enquiries will be made with other Parishes locally that have been affected by development, and councillors were interested in discussing same with other Parishes. It was noted that the process of a Neighbourhood Plan is costly and involves a great deal of time, commitment and work. DCT advised that the minimum period from start to finish is 18 months.

d) Any other planning matters: Kentisbeare Primary School wishes to be represented on the stakeholder forum in relation to delivery of Culm Garden Village. MDDC will be asked if other organisations may join the forum at a later date. The Clerk reported that 10-12 parishioners have expressed an interest in being part of a steering group to work alongside the Parish Council. It was resolved that as there has not been any further information, the steering group should be put on hold until further notice; councillors are grateful for those that have expressed an interest, and the Clerk will inform them of the situation. Contact will be made again when a decision is made to move forward with the steering group. (ii) The new owner of Blackborough House is holding an open day to give information on “the future of Blackborough House” at Blackborough Village Hall on 04/10/17; details have been displayed.

106/08/17. Highways.

- a) To note works carried out and to receive reports on repairs that are needed: The Clerk will remind Highways about the rusty warning signs that were reported earlier in the year.
- b) The road past Stoford Water Cross to Blackborough; concern from parishioners. A letter has been received from a parishioner regarding some bollards that have recently been erected in an entrance way, close to the road between Blackborough and Sainthill. It is hoped to achieve a resolution to suit all.
- c) Report on a possible permissive path to the playing field, to take people off of the Highway: A report has been received from the NHO and further communication has been received from the landowner. Details of both were given to all following the visit to site held back in the summer. It was agreed to speak with the landowner.
- d) Any other highway matters: Following enquires made with DCC, it was confirmed that DCC no longer assist with the pulling of Himalayan Balsam alongside the road. A working party will be formed next summer to help with this in Machine Lane and Silver Wood if necessary.

107/08/17. Reports:

- a) The Clerk: (i) MDDC training: The Clerk will attend training on 19/10/17. (ii) The website advisory group will meet shortly. (iii) The Kentisbeare Oil Buying Syndicate has in excess of 60 members. (v) MDDC has been asked to supply extra equipment for litter picking.
- b) The Chairman: A thank you has been received via email for funding the Chapter 8 qualification for special events which lasts five years. Details have been received from the Christmas Eve Committee of the application that the committee has submitted to DCC for the road closure on Christmas Eve. Advanced road closure signs will need to be purchased, and these will be in place a few weeks beforehand. Closure of the road will also create more space in the village on the evening. This matter is being dealt with by the Christmas Eve Committee and not the Parish Council.
- c) DCC Cllr J Berry: A section of road on Canal Hill in Tiverton will be closed for up to nine weeks whilst works to the retaining wall take place. Cllr. Berry has been approached about possible support for The Apple Trail.
- d) MDDC Cllr Mrs R Berry: An electronic report will be circulated to all, due to apologies.
- e) Playing Field: MD Fabrication is continuing with works to the roundabout. Arrangements need to be finalised before order and delivery of the table tennis table is arranged. It was considered that it would be beneficial to lower the hedge alongside the car park later in the year.
- f) Police: Attention will be paid to both the village hall and playing field car park during the evening when possible. Crimes reported: 3 in July and 3 in August. No issues to raise with the Parish Council at this time.
- g) The Parish Paths and Silver Wood. (i) The Apple Trail: Cllr. Jenny Brown, the councillor for tourism at EDDC has given details of a possible new walking trail and details of an application which has been made to Making it Local for funding. The walking trail which will link Taunton with Sidmouth and will cover 55/60 miles, taking in part of the part of the Blackdown Hills, including Kentisbeare Parish. (ii) The culvert in Silver Wood needs to be replaced and this will take place once the stile at the end has been removed by The Woodland Trust. (iii) The weekly Parish walks took place over the summer and were attended by a maximum of 18-20 on occasion.
- h) Any other reports.

108/08/17. Finance.

- a) The bank balance was confirmed as at 31/08/17.
- b) Payments totalling £860.88 were approved as follows:
 - Chq 001465 Mrs M Shore-Quinain, Clerk's salary and expenses. See declarations.
 - Chq 001466 SMA Services Ltd. Payroll provider.
 - Chq 001467 Mrs M L Thorne. Website and newsletter.
 - Chq 001468 DALC. Booklets.
- c) The Nest Pension Scheme deduction was confirmed for August 2017.
- d) Jenny Tots toddler group: The toddler group is not running at the moment; it is hoped that it may start again later in the year. The organiser will see if a new leader can be found.
- e) Tap Fund 2017/18. (i) Phase 1: As per minute 98/08/17 (ii) support has been given to Kentisbeare Village Hall in an application. (ii) Phase 2 – It was agreed to apply for overhead projectors for both rooms in Kentisbeare Village Hall.

f) Any other financial matters to be noted: Cllr. Mrs Broom reported that she was looking into an internet connection for the village hall. £933.84 is held in reserve (previously awarded via the Tap Fund) and as per minute 110/08/16 (c), if required the Parish Council will assist with ongoing costs. Cllr. Mrs Broom will forward quotations to the Chairman and Clerk before going ahead, and it is hoped to get a connection in place as soon as possible.

109/08/17. Correspondence. Clerks and Councils Direct. DALC Annual Report 2016/17. Lloyds Bank; updating business accounts.

110/08/17. DCC Consultation – Mineral Safeguarding Guidance. Noted, no comments. See: [Draft Supplementary Planning Document](#).

111/08/17. Items for information and future agenda items: Apologies from Cllr. Mrs Broom for 10/10/17 and Cllr. R Shore-Quinain for 07/11/17. Litter Picking. Parish e-newsletter. Working party at Silver Wood (March/April 2018).

112/08/17. Dates of future meetings of the Parish Council. 10/10/17, 08/11/17, 05/12/17 Kentisbeare Village Hall – start time 7.30pm.

Finish time: 22.00 hours.