

KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th July 2019 in Kentisbeare Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. Mrs Q Broom (Chair), Mrs E Ellicott, M Disney, E Southerden, Mrs F Ryan, N Sanders, R Shore-Quinain, County Cllr. Mr J Berry (part of meeting) and the Clerk.

Public Question Time: None.

95/07/19. Apologies: Cllrs. N Allan, N Woofenden and Mrs S Woofenden.

96/07/19. Declarations of Interest: Cllr R Shore-Quinain (DPI as spouse), payments to the Clerk.

97/07/19. Approval of minutes: of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11/06/2019. Following an amendment due to a typing error in the numbering, which the Clerk reported on, the minutes were approved and duly signed by the Chairman – the final minute reference number is now 94/06/19 opposed to 96/06/19.

98/07/19. Matters Arising: None.

99/07/19. Planning & Planning Correspondence.

a) Applications considered by the Parish Council:

-19/00947/FULL Erection of 2 dwellings (Revised Scheme). Land Adjacent to Brick House, Silver Park, Kentisbeare. MDCC will be informed that the Parish Council is disappointed that the failures in the above application were not picked up during construction.

-19/00932/FULL Erection of a holiday lodge. Land at NGR 306194 108960 (Wressing Farm, Kentisbeare). No objections.

-19/00848/HOUSE & 19/00849/LBC Listed Building Consent and permission for the erection of a replacement single storey extension and replacement of existing windows and doors. Wressing Cottage, Kentisbeare. No objections.

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

-19/00305/ARM - Reserved Matters for the erection of dwelling and formation of a vehicular access following Outline approval 18/00485/OUT. Development Site at NGR 306483 108170 (Adj. Fairholme) Silver Street, Kentisbeare. Permitted with conditions to discharge.

-19/00923/CAT Notification of intention to crown thin and crown lift 1 Silver Birch tree by 2m within the Conservation Area. Larkrise, Fore Street, Kentisbeare. Approved.

-19/00753/FULL Erection of extension to existing covered silage clamps and erection of roof to provide covered yard. Land and Buildings at NGR 308054 107324 (Orway Porch Farm), Kentisbeare. Approved.

c) Culm Garden Village Proposal. (i) A brief report was given on the recent Delivery Board and Stakeholder meetings where details were given following the consultation held earlier in the year – details are available via the Garden Village website - <https://culmgardenvillage.co.uk/masterplanning/> (ii) The Clerk will make contact with MDCC to arrange a public meeting with the Chairman of the Delivery Board – this will take place sometime in the autumn. A separate informal meeting will be arranged with the Parish Council and the land agent.

d) Neighbourhood Planning Courses: Cllrs. Allan, Mrs Broom and the Clerk will attend a course on 10/09/19 and Cllr. Allan will attend a further course on 24/09/19. Other councillors should inform the Clerk if they wish to attend.

e) Any other planning matters: The planning department is currently experiencing delays in responding to customers and processing planning applications due to a high volume of work. There are no further details with reference to the timing of the application for Blackborough House (17/01904/MFUL) being put before the Planning Committee.

100/07/19. Highways.

a) To report on work carried out and any upcoming road closures, and to note any repairs that are needed: The verges at Post Cross have been cut. **b)** Any other matters: None.

101/07/19. Reports.

a) The Clerk: Notification of the DALC Annual Conference on 23/10/19 in Exeter, the Clerk will endeavour to attend. The Clerk will make enquiries about training for councillors. There is one vacancy on the DALC County Committee 2019-2023.

b) DCC Cllr. J Berry: Health and Adult Care Scrutiny have been into NHS departments, visited and observed GP Surgeries, the Ambulance Service, and hospitals for reports on the service provided, its needs and time factors. A new Mother and Baby Unit opened at the RD&E. Statistics on the health of the population of Devon can be found on

www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna

Education – According to the Coalition of Teachers, Education Departments, MPs and others, an extra £12.6 billion is needed by 2022/23 for education and Special Needs. 20 mile an hour survey and reports have been completed and there is discussion over any change. It is suggested that residential roads where there are more than 50 homes could have a 20mph speed limit, but this would have to be agreed Government policy. **MDDC Report from Cllr. Berry:** Climate Change Emergency Policy agreed with Devon Climate Emergency Response Group to achieve net zero by 2050, with an amendment agreed by MDDC Council to aim for net zero by 2030. Council Tax collection was 97% last year and Non Domestic Rate improved to 99.3%. MDDC has submitted a bid to Historic England for a Heritage Section Zone for Cullompton, now that the relief road is underway. If successful, this would attract funds for upgrading the town centre. There is a proposal that there should be free car parking in Mid Devon towns at weekends to attract more footfall. MDDC has a duty to bury or cremate the body of anyone who has died or been found dead, where there are no suitable relatives or other arrangements. Some developers are using netting over trees and hedgerows to stop birds nesting when building, but so far not in Mid Devon. MDDC is against this practice and called on Government and Developers to ban it. Electric charging points are to be considered on new developments. Recycling - the final result for the year was just above target at 53.2% compared with 51.9% last year. *Cllr. Berry left the meeting.*

c) Playing Field: A new padlock is to be purchased for the inner gate.

d) The Parish Paths and Silver Wood. (i) The Annual Clifford Pike Memorial Walk and summer evening walks will be publicised shortly. The wooden steps at Goodiford have been repaired. A contractor will be asked to cut the hedge at Miry Lane.

e) Any other reports. (i) The Eel Pool – quotations are being sought for refurbishment of the site (see 102/07/19 f).

102/07/19. Finance.

a) The bank balance was reported as at 28/06/19; direct payments taken from Nest on 07/06/19 and Utility Warehouse on 28/06/19 of £41.05.

b) To note that cheque number 001664 is to replace cheque number 01654 which has been cancelled internally.

c) Payments were resolved totalling £2631.44:

-Chq 1659 M L Thorne. Website and e-newsletter.

-Chq 1660 Spoilt cheque, replaced with cheque 1666

-Chq 1661 SMA Services Ltd. Payroll provider.

-Chq 1662 HMRC. Quarterly PAYE. (*note: cheque made out to the Clerk as re-imburement for making the payment*). *See declarations.*

-Chq 1663 Devon Association of Local Councils. Booklets.

-Chq 1664 Kentisbeare PCC. Churchyard grant.

-Chq 1665 LexisNexis. Local Council Administration publication.

-Chq 1666 Clerk - salary & expenses. *See declarations.*

d) Provision of refreshments following the Annual Clifford Pike Memorial Walk: A quotation of £4 per head was agreed from The Wyndham Arms; 30-40 walkers are expected.

e) It was agreed to enter into an annual service and maintenance agreement from MAT Electrics Ltd in respect of the operating system for the night time landing site.

f) The Eel Pool - works to the site: Quotations are being sought for a replacement fence and renovation of the bench. A quotation was agreed of £45 for a new sign.

g) Audit 2018/19: As required, all documents have been submitted to the external auditor and the Notice of Public rights has been displayed with the necessary documents; dates run from 20/06/19 to 31/07/19.

h) Any other financial matters to be noted: Cllr. Mrs Broom will verify the first quarter; a summary will be circulated to all. The Nest payment for June was reported (to be taken in July). The possibility of grants for two groups in the Parish will be discussed at a future meeting.

103/07/19. Blackdown Hills Parishes Network. Call for BHPN Nominations for representative to Blackdown Hills AONB Management Group – noted, details given to all.

104/07/19. Proposed Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Changes - 12 Week Consultation. Noted, circulated to all.

105/07/19. Kentisbeare Play Park.

a) Update on night time landing site – notification just received from Devon Air Ambulance Trust that the community landing site is operational.

b) Improvements to the play park: It is hoped that a date will be arranged for an open morning in September for a drop in to view possible plans for a cycle track.

106/07/19. Correspondence: Clerks and Councils Direct. Devon Communities Together – Devon Senior Voice Club. Letter of thanks from Blackborough Village Hall and Sainthill Baptist Church.

107/07/19. Items for information and future agenda items: Renovation of The Eel Pool area.

108/07/19. Dates of future meetings: 13/08/19. 17/09/19.