

KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on June 7th 2016 in Kentisbeare Village Hall at 8pm.

Present: Cllrs. Mrs Q Broom (chair), M Disney, Mrs W Reed, A Southall, District Cllr. Mrs R Berry (part of meeting), County Cllr. Mr J Berry and the Clerk.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr. Wadsworth, the Vice-Chairman Cllr. Mrs Broom took the meeting. The meeting started at 8pm opposed to 7.30pm as publicised.

85/06/16. To accept apologies for absence. It was resolved to accept the apologies of Cllrs. R Shore-Quinain, J Wadsworth, Mrs S Woofenden, Mrs E Ellicott, Mrs D Jackson-Wootton and Mrs T Dominy.

86/06/16. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda. Cllr. Mrs Reed (personal) planning reference 16/00481/HOUSE & 16/00483/LBC.

87/06/16. To confirm the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 4th May 2016 in Kentisbeare Village Hall at 7.30pm. It was resolved to adopt the minutes as a true record of the meetings and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

88/06/16. Planning

a) Planning applications to be considered by the Parish Council.

-16/00481/HOUSE & 16/00483/LBC Permission and Listed Building consent for erection of a garden room and porch following removal of existing porch and outbuilding/fuel store. Hollis House, Blackborough. No objections.

-16/00715/HOUSE Erection of extension to existing lean-to and increase in roof pitch over lean to Western Cottage, Blackborough. No objections.

-16/00818/FULL Construction of an all-weather riding arena. Land at NGR 309279 107981 (Chancery Cottage). Cllr. Southall to review the plans in detail, following which a response will be agreed. An extension on response will be requested if necessary. To be noted at the next meeting.

b) Results of applications from Mid Devon District Council.

-16/00498/HOUSE Prospect House, Kentisbeare. Erection of detached garage. Approved.

-16/00076/FULL & 16/00077/LBC Erection of two storey extension, Lower Sainthill Farm. Approved.

-*For information only:* -16/00621/CLP for PROPOSED Use or Operation. Old Croyle House, Kentisbeare. Certificate of lawfulness for the erection of an orangery following removal of conservatory. Permission refused.

c) Planning Consultations: SCI and Refuse Storage SPD. Cllr. Southall to respond. Councillors welcome the introduction of refuse storage.

Highways.

89/06/16. To receive reports on repairs that are needed. The Clerk has made enquiries regarding the timescale of cutting the verges along Dead Lane. Highways has confirmed that this should be towards the end of the month.

90/04/16. Finance.

a) The combined bank balance was reported as at 19/05/16.

b) Cheques/payments were approved totalling £1067.84.

-Chq 0032 Kentisbeare Village Hall, room hire.

-Chq 0033 Mrs M Shore-Quinain, Clerk's salary and expenses.

-Chq 0034 Community First: Zurich Municipal Insurance Policy Renewal. IPT and admin fee.

-Chq 0035 Doug Richmond Computer Services. Re: installation of new laptop.

c) Tap Fund 2016/17. Brief details were given of the Tap Fund, together with notification of an underspend in the previous year. Clerk to make enquiries.

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90/04/16 Finance (continued)

d) Any other financial matters to be noted. i) Following the purchase of a new laptop, it was resolved that the Toshiba laptop will be scrapped due to its age and unreliability. Clerk to arrange destruction of the hard drive. ii) After recommendation from DALC, it was considered beneficial for the Clerk to purchase two publications as advertised through the DALC website; Charles Arnold Baker – Local Council Administration at £74.45, together with Governance and Accountability, A Practitioner’s Guide, exact cost to be confirmed (but of a similar cost). iii) Due to illness, the contracted internal auditor is unable to carry out the audit this year. The Clerk confirmed that following recommendation from a local parish council, details had been received of an alternative option. An extension may be required from Grant Thornton.

91/06/16. Reports.

- a)** The Clerk/Chairman – The Website Advisory Group will meet early in September to discuss costs for advertising on the Parish website. A date for the history day will be arranged.
- b)** Playing Field. MDDC has carried out an annual inspection and a report has been received.
- c)** Police Report. A monthly report was circulated to all. A crime prevention evening has been arranged at The Wyndham Arms for 21/06/16.
- d)** The Parish Paths. There was a small reduction in numbers attending the Annual Clifford Pike Memorial Walk. It was resolved to donate the scones to St. Mary’s for the Queen’s tea party on 12/6/16.
- e)** Devon County Cllr. Mr J Berry. There is no update on the eastern distributor road. Junction 28 continues to be problematic. Funding has been made available for the repair of potholes.
Cllr. Mrs Berry joined the meeting.
- f)** District Cllr. Mrs R Berry. A report is awaited is from the Environment Agency in respect of Junction 28 with reference to The Local Plan. The Chief Executive is due to make a visit to the area shortly. There has been a significant reduction in the rate of empty shops in Cullompton over the last year. Cllr. Mrs Berry will attend a meeting on 09/06/16 as organized by the BHPN regarding Broadband infrastructure.
- g)** Any other reports. The Clerk reported that the new bridge in Silver Wood was complete but not yet in use due to nesting Mallards.

92/06/16. Blackdown Hills Parishes Network.

- a)** Meeting on 09/06/16 in Broadhembury regarding Broadband infrastructure. Cllr. Mrs Berry to attend.
- b)** Results have been received of the Ballot to determine representatives of BHPN on the AONB Management Group.
- c)** Notification of the AGM on 22/06/16 at Buckland St. Mary.

93/06/16. Items for information and future agenda items. HMRC payment. Apologies from Cllr. Southall for 06/07/16.

94/06/16. Dates of future meetings of the Parish Council. Wednesday 06/07/16 at Blackborough Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting finished at 9.25pm.