



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14 JUNE 2018 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillor Grantham, Councillor Manktelow, Councillor Phare, Councillor Tobin, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox.

In attendance: Clerk K Taylor, MDDC Councillor Chesterton, MDDC Councillor Evans, one member of the public

1. Apologies: Councillor Mander, Councillor Scott, Councillor Glover, MDDC Councillor Doe, Sgt McNeill

2. To receive any declarations of interest from Members on any of the agenda items.

Councillor Grantham declared an interest in item 6c, the Gables site, as a Trustee of the WH&CC.

3. The Chairman opened the meeting at 19.05 and said that it would be recorded. He gave a brief report on the MDDC Cabinet meeting in May that he had attended and asked public questions concerning the 10 million pounds funding for Cullompton.

4. There were no public questions

5. The Minutes of the AGM and the Full Council held on Thursday 10 May 2018 had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Phare seconded by Councillor Grantham, and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

6. Progress Reports & items brought forward from other meetings

a) Councillor Wilcox proposed that the special motion regarding Orchard Way Play Area that she had put forward with Councillors Scott and Sellick be discussed Councillor Phare seconded the proposal and it was agreed. Councillor Wilcox proposed that as MDDC had now indicated that they would replace the fencing along Orchard Way that the Clerk be instructed to write on behalf of the Parish Council with a view to taking on a 25-year lease for this play area on the same basis as the lease for the other play areas once the new fencing against Orchard Way was installed. Councillor Grantham seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed. **ACTION:** Clerk

b) The Clerk and the Chair of Council had been in contact with the grass cutting contractor who had indicated that they accepted that the standard of cuts had not been as expected and it was noted that the latest cut had been to a higher standard. They will continue to be monitored.

c) The Gables site

The Clerk reported that she had been in contact with the solicitor who had advised that in order to offer a lease to the pre-school a rent and review valuation should be sought. Following discussion about issues surrounding the site, and the possible consequences of a valuation and the further delay that this could bring Councillor Manktelow proposed that the Clerk, Chair of Council and Vice Chair of Council be given delegated authority to take this forward, liaising with the Valuer and then providing instruction on a lease to the Solicitor in order to minimise any delay. Councillor Tobin seconded the motion and it was agreed by four votes with one vote against and Councillor Grantham abstaining from the vote due his previously declared interest.

ACTION: Clerk/Councillors Warren & Phare

d) In the absence of Councillor Glover any update regarding the poster competition and the placing of the posters was referred to the next Environment committee. It was requested that the Clerk be provided with an update on this if for any reason Councillor Glover was not available for that meeting.

ACTION: Councillor Glover & Clerk

e) Councillor Warren confirmed that he had received a positive response from DCC Councillor Radford regarding the application for Invest in Devon Funds towards new play equipment. He had agreed to provide £3,000 Councillor Warren proposed that he, the Chair of Environment and the clerk continue to progress this with any shortfall up to £4,000 being provided from the Parish Council budget reserve. Councillor Wilcox seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

ACTION: Clerk/Councillors Warren & Grantham

7. Reports

a) There had been 7 instances of crime reported on the crime map in Willand during April

b) Councillor Chesterton reported on the Local Plan hearing dates in September, he had also attended a Cabinet meeting where it had been agreed that littering fines would go up to £150. The general fund had an out turn of an underspend of £159,000. They had transferred the ground maintenance team out of Tiverton into Hitchcocks Farm.

Councillor Evans reported that the cycle of meetings had started for year, with chairs and vice chairs elected. He reported that he had managed to obtain some money to bring in a new piece of equipment to assist the ground maintenance team to mulch on site. This was to be trialled in Willand. He would also encourage the Parish Council to ensure people contact the Environment Agency regarding noise and smells from the Two Sisters, the number is on the Willand Matters website.

The Chair recorded thanks to Councillor Evans for taking up the problems with grass cutting in the village with MDDC.

c) County Councillor Radford had sent in a report which the Clerk would circulate. He had highlighted changes within DCC for the coming year, the outturn of the budget for last year and general issues with funding.

8. Finance

a) Payment Authorisation of invoices for June 2018

PAYMENTS TO	INVOICE FOR	AMOUNT	
Astra Printing	Magazine printing	938.00	Magazine
Came & Company	Insurance renewal	711.80	Office/Admin
Halcyon Landscapes	Grass cutting April	722.40	ground management
Barclaycard	stamps	15.66	Magazine
	Prizes	45.00	Village projects
	Printer ink	21.34	Office/Admin
XLN	Wifi rental	20.34	Village projects
Ken White signs	sign replacement	339.60	Village projects
doodlebug Creative	Website development	870.00	office admin
Countrywide	Weed spraying	588.00	ground management
Od Well	new plants	184.80	Village projects
Halcyon	Grass cutting DCC verges	1444.80	ground management
Ken Broom	grass cutting	100.00	play areas & ground management
Brian Bussell	Cemetery	838.00	cemetery
	TOTAL	6839.74	

Councillor Wilcox proposed that the payments be actioned Councillor Phare seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

ACTION: Clerk

b) Income in May

8 Companies advertising in magazine	487.00
DCC grass cutting contribution	4171.00
HMRC VAT refund 2017/18	4437.12
TOTAL	9095.12

The income was noted

9. Community Together Fund which is the renamed TAP fund, applications now open. Councillor Wilcox informed that the village hall would like to apply to the fund. Councillors to think of other ideas, the Clerk would circulate information about the rules of the Fund.

ACTION: Clerk

10. Meeting dates

Thursday 14 June 2018 – Full Council and Planning Committee meetings
 Thursday 21 June 2018 – Finance and Administration Committee meeting
 Thursday 28 June 2018 – Planning and Environment Committee meetings
 Thursday 12 July 2018 – Full Council and Planning Committee meetings

11. Councillors Roundtable to receive any further information from Councillors and to highlight future agenda items.

Councillor Wilcox informed the meeting that the lorry area in the K&S auto yard has been cleared of most of the rubbish.

12. Communications

a) To consider

- i. It was confirmed that the Parish Council Chair would attend the rescheduled hearings for MDDC Local Plan review on 20th & 21st September 2018 and that as two seats were reserved, although only one person was expected to speak if someone else wished to attend to support the Chair they would be very welcome.
- ii. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not formally respond to the consultation on the Gambling Act.
- iii. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not formally respond to the consultation on how to improve mobile library and outreach services to rural communities

b) Communications received since 3 May and forwarded to Councillors by email:

Seafarers UK emailed request to fly a red Ensign on Merchant Navy Day 3 September
 1 DCC communication regarding Devon County Show
 10 MDDC committee agendas and information
 5 MDDC press releases on a variety of subjects including the local plan, failure to gain an HLF bid, return of Electric Nights street food event,
 2 NHS newsletters, 1 Hospice care newsletter
 Email from resident regarding large lorries – on the planning agenda

c) Communications not referred to Councillors

28 emails regarding aspects of GDPR
 47 emails offering various services, seminars or equipment.
 Communications were noted

Meeting closed 19:59.

Councillor Barry Warren
 Chair of Willand Parish Council