

**WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES FOR THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2004**

Present: Mr Maynard, Mr Street, Mr Perrett, Mrs Crook, Mr Adair, Mr Burgess (District Councillor), Mr Dennis (District Councillor), Mr Berry (County Councillor), Mr Hancock and the Clerk.

1. Apologies

Mrs Harrogate, Mr Mander, Mr Betsworth, Mr Tancock, Mr Bush, Mr Ward.

2. Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence:

• **Mid Devon District Council – 5X30 Development Worker funds request**

It was agreed that £100 would be sent to the project organiser to assist with funding arrangements.

• **Mid Devon District Council – Licensing Consultation**

Under the new Licence Act the local authority will be responsible to licensing. Mr Street, Mr Maynard and Mr Dennis to discuss in order to make a response. Next meeting agenda item.

• **Mid Devon District Council – Chairman's Receptions to be held on 23 September at Kentisbeare Village Hall, 21 October at Templeton Village Hall and 18 November at Morchard Bishop Memorial Hall**

The Clerk to ask Sue Turner and Trish Harrogate if she would like to go. The Clerk to organise.

• **Mid Devon District Council – Councillor Vacancy Procedures**

A note has been received regarding the proper procedures for Councillor Vacancies which will be kept by the Clerk for future reference.

• **Birdscape request for Bird Box Inspection and Report**

It was agreed that £165 should be authorised in order to obtain the inspection and report. The Clerk to ask the Scheme to replace the bird box that has fallen off. Squirrel plates to be authorised as well. The Clerk to organise.

• **Tiverton & District Community Transport Association – Ring and Ride Buss 15th Birthday Celebrations – Wednesday 15 September 11am – 1pm**

Unfortunately no Councillors would be able to attend. The Clerk to respond.

• **What's On In Devonshire's Heartland – September 2004**

It was agreed that such items are to be tabled at future meetings.

• **Contribution to Publicly Owned Cemeteries – Grant Form**

It was agreed that a new roof, guttering and door are required on the bier house this year so a grant should be requested. Estimates should be requested by the Clerk as soon as possible. To get quotes from Geoff Beale in Uffculme, Pippins Field. Flat roofing builders to be contacted. The Clerk to organise.

Health and Safety Training:

The Clerk to chase Adrian Cook about the Cemetery courses to see if they are available yet.

Play Area:

The Clerk to write and ask if there are any grants available for the wet pour patch. The Clerk to arrange and copy to Mr Dennis. The Clerk updated the meeting that the wet pour under the swings is due to be done some time this month by GB Sport and Leisure.

Affordable Houses:

This is still ongoing and Mr Maynard is dealing with this issue.

Broadband:

Willand is now able to access broadband now, so give it a try.

3. Minutes of the Meetings held:

- **Full Council 12 August**
- **Planning Committee 23 August**

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record.

4. Accounts:

- **Cheque signing**

Number	Gross	Details	
	£125.00	Victim Support Devon	Donations
	£149.04	British Telecom	Clerk's phone

- **Income this month**

£5925.01 has been received from MDDC for play equipment grant and £42 for the cemetery.

- **Annual Audit Completion**

The Clerk explained that the Audit Commission has completed their audit of the account for the year ended 31 March 2004. The Clerk to place a notice on the board in due course.

5. Matters Arising:

- **Mid Devon District Councillors Burgess, Dennis and Ward**

Mr Dennis:

One Stop – were given to 27 August to sort out. An enforcement notice has now been sent to the holding company. This has been chased by Mr Dennis, Mrs Lane and the Clerk.

Stoneman Engineering vehicles are wearing the road under the bridge, this is to be investigated.

South View Close gate to play area – a gate has been put in but there are security issues regarding the bridge which is close by.

Somerlea has been subject to flooding at times and Mr Dennis has been dealing with South West Water and they have identified a broken pipe and cleared the drains to alleviate the problem.

Enforcement action has been avoided at the Esso garage regarding a helipad, a planning application and change of use would be required.

Street lighting – the go ahead for the street lighting is to take place in the next two weeks.

Council house tenants transfer is still under investigation. Tenants are currently being canvassed as to their preference for their future. If they say no, the burden of maintaining those properties will fall squarely on the tax payer.

MDDC decided to close its public toilets. Tiverton has one reopened, Cullompton has had two opened and there is pressure for one to be opened in Uffculme.

Uffculme straight curb-side collection for recycling will commence next week.

Mr Burgess:

Further meetings on organic waste management are still ongoing, alternative methods of treating the waste are being investigated, final details are yet to be agreed. The planning application will have to go in shortly so things will need to be finalised. Recycling support will still continue, especially the community composting schemes, the recycling credits will continue.

A small amount of support has been expressed to develop the Black Downs as a environmental project. Mr Burgess has details. MDDC is offering £2,000 towards the project.

The Clerk is to prepare a letter stating that the community composting scheme must be supported as much as possible. The Clerk to write a letter stating that the scheme must be safeguarded and showing full support for it. The Clerk to arrange and copy to Mr Dennis and Mr Burgess.

- **Devon County Councillor Berry**

Waste has actually gone down but collecting waste will have doubled in 10 years time. Curb-side collection will have three different coloured bags for collection purposes. Waste into energy is also being discussed.

Road under the motorway bridge is being monitored by Mr Berry also and is dealing with Alan Mitchard on this subject.

Exeter airport has seen an increase. An extra terminal is planned in a few years.

DCC will sell their bit in time with certain restrictions in particular including the extra terminal as a condition.

Community Services Scrutiny – the need for more care, foster or adoptive parents are urgently required. Anyone interested should contact Mr Berry direct or contact Devon County Council on 01392 382000.

Anyone can apply to adopt.

- **Devon and Cornwall Police**

13 incidents have been recorded as crime, of which 4 were burglaries, 1 theft from car, 1 mobile stolen and 3 criminal damage from property, 1 criminal damage non specific. 2 arrests are imminent and 2 more possible. 35 other different associated logs. Considering 7 weeks of school holidays, there have been relatively few incidents.

Criminal damage at the cemetery – 1 court appearance, a full hearing date is due.

Brian Holmes contacted PC Davies about the go-ped vehicles. Anything over 5mph is an DVLC issue.

Willand Moor area – there has been one report about some children acting poorly.

South View Close – parking problems as you go past the surgery. Perhaps a parking for residents only sign may alleviate the problems. Mr Dennis suggested contacting Steve McCellan for assistance.

- **Health and safety issues reported**

Dips in the grass in the play area have been reported. The Clerk to organise.

Grass cutting - Brian Bussell is wished a speedy recovery.

- **Parish Plan Steering Group update – more help required please**

The Clerk stated that £1,000 has been received now in the bank towards the project. Any further assistance would be gratefully received. Next meeting is to be organised shortly. Support in the way of collection of forms was offered by all Councillors and the Clerk that attended the meeting.

- **Parish Lengthsman – areas for attention**

Thanks to Willy Pike for all his efforts. The Clerk to organise.

- **August meeting cancellations for future years**

It was agreed that the August meeting will be cancelled next year. Future years can be decided at the time.

- **Insurance cover for Willand signs and Millennium clock**

It was agreed that the signs are not to be insured but the clock should be at an annual premium of £77.49 per annum. The Clerk to arrange.

- **Emergency Plan**

The Clerk to organise a meeting soon to finalise the format.

- **Youth Shelter**

Hemyock has a great youth shelter that looks indestructible at the cost of £6,000. Stoneman Engineering has been asked to quote to a similar product with a product guarantee for 5 years. Agenda item for next meeting.

6. Public Questions

No public questions received.

The meeting was closed at 9.00pm