

WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL
draft
MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING
ON THURSDAY 13 APRIL 2006

1. **Election of Chairman for the Parish Council**
Cllr Maynard was proposed by Cllr Perrett and seconded by Cllr Hancock.
Cllr Maynard informed the Parish Council that this would be his last year on the Council and thought it wise for another Councillor to take on the roll within the year.
2. **Election of Vice Chairman for the Parish Council**
Cllr Perrett was proposed by Cllr Crawford and seconded by Cllr Adair
3. **Election of the Planning Committee members (Chairman and Vice Chairman to be elected at the first meeting of this committee)**
It was agreed the Committee members would consist of Cllr Perrett, Cllr Davis, Cllr Marrow, Cllr Adair, Cllr Crawford, and Cllr Hancock. It was agreed the committee should be more structured. Cllr Perrett wished to see more Councillors attending meetings.
4. **Election of the Environmental Committee members**
Cllr Hancock was elected as Chairman. The committee would remain the same.
5. **Election of Willand United Charities representative**
Represented by Cllr Hancock and Cllr Crook
6. **Election of Willand Community Trust representative**
Represented by Cllr Hancock

MINUTES FOR THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
draft
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Present: Cllr Maynard, Cllr Perrett, Cllr Adair, Cllr Hancock, Cllr Mander, Cllr Davis, Cllr Crawford, Cllr Crook, Cllr Marrow, Dist Cllr Dennis, Dist Cllr Burgess, Mrs Ashley, one member of the public and the Clerk

1. **Apologies: PC M Davies and Justin Roxborough, County Cllr Radford**
2. **Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence:**

Cllr Maynard thanked Mrs Oliver for covering Mrs Ashley's maternity leave

Local Council Update
Copy taken by Cllr Davis

Willand Pre-School - Letter of thanks
A letter of thanks received for the donation of £200.00 towards a new computer.

Devon Playing Fields Association – Renewal of membership
A cheque was raised to the value of £30.00 for membership.

Kerbside Recycling Collections
Kerbside recycling has been approved to enable rural households a recycling box collection

Organic Waste collection scheme – correspondence received by MDDC

Correspondence received by MDDC offering an update to Councillors and public on how the scheme has developed over the last 6 months. It was agreed to invite an officer to attend a Parish Meeting. The Clerk to arrange.

Annual Meeting of the District Council – Wednesday 3 May 2006

Invitation to attend the annual meeting of the District Council. Cllr Davis to attend. The Clerk to arrange.

Annual Meeting of Town and Parish Clerks – Thursday 27 April 2006

The Clerk is unable to attend

Orchard Lea – update

DCC are pleased with the many responses received following the recent consultation. There is considerable interest among third party care providers who are interested in developing the sites. A final recommendation is anticipated in the summer.

Mid Devon Open Space and Play Strategy – Questionnaire

A study is underway to collect information about how much and what type of open space and play facilities are required to meet the needs of people in the area. Questionnaire to be completed by the Clerk.

Willand Tennis Club – correspondence received

Correspondence received enquiring as to when the Tennis Club would receive their promised grants from the Parish Council. It was agreed a cheque could be raised for a donation of £200, previously agreed in 2004, towards the building of the 4th court. A donation of £500 for the floodlights would be arranged when the precept was received. It was agreed to make payment in one cheque. The Tennis Club expressed their thanks in carrying out the work to the tree roots and cutting back the tree branches. Dist Cllr Dennis informed the Parish Council that Section 106 money to the value of £6,300 was available and although it was not necessary Dist Cllr Dennis wanted to ask the Parish Council if they held any objections to the money being received by the Tennis Club. There were no other schemes requiring funding. It was agreed the one off payment would be made to the Club.

Local Works – Campaign for the sustainable Communities – Newsletter

Update provided

3. Minutes of the Meetings held:

Full Council 9 March

Planning Committee 9 March

Annual Parish Meeting 23 March – update only

Planning Committee 23 March

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record.

4. Accounts:

Cheque signing

30.00	Devon Playing Association	Membership
285.25	Willand Village Hall	Hall Hire Parish Meetings
170.00	Birdscape	Additional Work

Income this month

£ 86.00 has been received from the Parish Magazine and £15.00 from the Cemetery.

Lloyds TSB – Correspondence to amend contact details

Correspondence duly signed.

5. Mid Devon District Councillors Burgess, Dennis and Ward

Dist Cllr Burgess had nothing to report

Dist Cllr Dennis informed the Parish Council that Defra would take the lead and responsibility for any decisions regarding Bird Flu. The Clean Neighborhoods and Environment Act comes in force within the next 7 days. This terminates the responsibility of the Police for stray dogs and abandoned cars. Dist Cllr Dennis has again been re-elected as Council Leader for next year and acknowledge that although MDDC has its problems they have been identified. Awards have been received by the Planning, Council Charge and Benefit departments Unauthorized adverts at the one stop shop have been removed.

Devon County Councillor Radford apologies received

Devon and Cornwall Police

The Clerk read a report received by PC Davies. A total of 4 crimes have been reported since 23 March to date with a total of 33 reported incidents. Action is being taken to Commercial vehicles parked along Orchard Way. Parking obstructions are being monitored outside Ashmead Building Supplies.

Health and safety issues reported

Cllr Adair wished to see more presence of the Dog Warden along Jaycroft. Dist Cllr Dennis to arrange. Despite promises of the debris being removed from Willand Moor Road the debris still remains. Dist Cllr Dennis to chase.

Parish Lengthsman– areas for attention

The lengthsman will be working in Willand between the 24-28th April. Cllr Mander was informed that there was once a pathway along Uffculme Road. As it is the intention of the Parish Council to reinstate the Bus Stop along the road the Lengthsman is to be asked if the pathway could be reinstated. Both Willand signs and street signs need a clean. The Clerk to arrange. Despite a letter being sent by DCC to the landowner the hedge still remains overgrown near the Post Office. It was agreed for the Clerk to write to DCC Highways to arrange for the hedge to be cut.

Affordable Housing in Willand

Apologies received from Justin Roxborough of Falcon Rural Housing. Correspondence received informing the Parish Council that the bid for grant was unsuccessful. The preferred site of Falcon Rural Housing is now the Fir Close site. With the land owned by MDDC it is hoped the land could transfer at a low cost. Funding will be clearer within the month. It is the wish of MDDC that a meeting is arranged between the Parish Council, Falcon Rural Housing and MDDC to discuss the way forward. The Clerk to arrange. Dist Cllr Dennis informed the Parish Council a new application is to be submitted for the low cost homes and Affordable Housing planned in the Park Street area.

Christmas Lights

No suitable lampposts were identified in Willand Old Village or the One Stop area.

It was agreed to mount on Light Columns 34, 36, 38 and 15 along the main road. The Clerk to arrange

Emergency Plan – Document update

Updates were handed to PEC Committee members Cllr Adair, Cllr Maynard, Cllr Marrow and Cllr Perrett. The Clerk to arrange for 5th committee member Trish Harrogate and the Post Office to receive a plan update. Correspondence and plan to be sent to the Emergency Plan Officer at MDDC. Further update required in 6 months.

Uffculme Road Bus Stop – update of meeting

As discussed earlier in the meeting

Nina Ashley – to resume position as Clerk to the Parish Council

Nina Ashley is to resume as Clerk to the Willand Parish Council on the 17th April 2006.

Public Questions

The Parish Council were informed that the Willand Youth Club AGM was to be held on the 9th May. Cllr Maynard to attend.

Items to be tabled:

**Rural Transport Partnership Winter Newsletter 2006
What's On In Devonshire's Heartland**

The Meeting closed at 8.pm