

Minutes May

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Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 8th May 2007 in Willand Village Hall at 19.00

Present: Cllr R Perrett, Cllr E Dennis, Cllr T Mander, Cllr S Eschle, Cllr K Taylor, Cllr B Taylor, Cllr G Davis, Cllr C Davey, Cllr A Warne

In attendance: District Cllr R Chesterton, Brian Holmes

Mrs P Harrogate (Parish Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllr Crawford, District Cllr Brenda Hull, District Cllr Diane Brandon, PC
Katie Rich

2. Minutes of the Meetings held:

- Full Council 10 April 2008
- Planning Committee 10 April 2008
- Environmental Committee 10 April 2008
- Planning Committee 17 April 2008
- Environmental Committee 17 April 2008

Amendment - apologies from Cllr Mander.

- Planning Committee 2 May 2008

Agreed as a true and correct record with one amendment - 17/4/08

3. Matters Arising:

Parish Councillor Vacancy (1)

No interest has been shown to date. Clerk to put poster on board

Bird Boxes

Mr Pipe is to attend the next parish council meeting and will prepare a report. Agenda item for next item.

Woodland trust are to write an article for the next magazine.

Youth Club Extension - update

District Cllr Chesterton to chase Dave Scott regarding interest on S106 money. Clerk to request balance for S106 money.

Trees behind youth club and tennis court

The clerk reported that 2 companies have not kept appointments for estimates. A quote for £400 has been obtained from Ashill Arboriculture. Agreed - unanimous. Clerk to arrange.

Decision to be made at a later date about replacement planting. **Willand Churchyard**

District Cllr Chesterton to chase Adrian Cook / Nick Sanderson.

Parish litter pick - update

Cllr Taylor met with Ken Browse (Chairman of Halberton Parish Council) at the Halberton lay-by. Cllr Browse advised that Uffculme school are looking at a cycleway running through the lay-by as a future project.

No signs are in situ regarding litter - Halberton PC to look at requesting signs.

Clerk to ask Police to go up to the lay-by and talk to lorry drivers.

Environmental Health issue - MDDC - ask to assess the issue - Tina Henry regarding clinical waste. - clerk to contact.

SWW to clear site until the bridge of litter.

Cllr Crawford to send an article on the litter pick to Brian Holmes for the next magazine. **Report from meeting with MDDC planning department**

Cllr Perrett and Cllr Dennis met with Alison Fish, Jenny Clifford and 2 ward members. The following was discussed:

- There will be a ransom strip between the two industrial estates.
- There are issues over station road railway.
- DCC and the developer will stop short of 2 metres of the other industrial estate, we are told that this is usual business practice.
- No footpath across the bridge on station road but £61000 been given to DCC towards the projects also £18000 for a bus stop.

Bus stop issue on next planning agenda.

- There are currently 3 separate industrial areas forming.
- Pharmacy advertising has been flagged up - Alison Fish is to look into this.

- Turning garages into living accommodation - is planning permission required - no, unless there are permitted development rights providing it doesn't change the exterior of the building.
- Fences in Greenwood - put up the wrong way round - this is now legal
- MDDC encourage pre application discussions.
- TPO's - Richard has asked for a full list.
- Liaison between MDDC and Willand Parish Council - clerk and each Chairman to deal with appropriate issues.
 - The Gables

No replacement tree to be funded by DCC but they are happy for the Parish Council to fund it themselves.

- Clerk to arrange a viewing of the interior
- Development - who would be the planning authority - Alison Fish thinks it would be MDDC. Some correspondence has been received from local residents following the article in the Parish magazine.
- Skateboard Park

Cullompton have a brand new skate park on order and their old one is available free of charge, it could be sited where the bmx course is. This could be a short term option.

Cllr Perrett, Cllr B Taylor and Cllr Dennis had been to look at the equipment and gave their views.

Cllr Perrett - would rather see a new skate park. The location is a prime location in view of the school and lots of people using the Parish field, feels that it would be a graffiti magnet, some wood cladding - this may be vandalised. Money would be better used in a new bid. Would like to involve MDDC.

Cllr Taylor - it isn't an attractive facility - it would be subject to graffiti - concerned about the cost of moving and re-mantling it. Would need landscaping around it, this would screen it which could be a potential hazard. Cost of levelling and base.

Cllr Dennis - if we raise cash, how long will this take, we are ostracising the youth, we have previously made a lot of promises and need to start to deliver.

Could we ask the youth whether they want this through the youth club.

Clerk to invite Clare Tucker, Amy Garrett DCC & Paul Tucker to the environmental committee.

- Village Clock

Suggestion of a perspex cover has previously been made - it is thought that this would attract more vandalism, option to bring the clock inside the hall. Clerk to ask Village Hall Committee whether this would be a considered

option a coat of arms printed on a ceramic plaque could replace the existing clock.

- SWW / Willand Moor Road

SWW made the decision to take pipes under Willand Moor Road. SWW to go back to Devonshire homes to ask whether they are going to resurface the road right the way across the road.

- Hedgerows

MDDC have confirmed that maintenance of hedgerows is acceptable. **Allotments**

Allotments holders association - the Parish Council feel that it would be acceptable to cut back the hedge so that it remains 2 metres above the top of the bank layering.

Vandalism - the allotment association have asked permission to put barbed wire along the top of the hedge to prevent trespassing and mindless vandalism, the Parish Council do not think that this is an acceptable option and would suggest a fast growing prickly hedge - Clerk to invite Bill Haldane to the next environmental committee meeting to discuss allotment issues.

Composting sign - in process of being replaced.

1. Items to be reported:
 - Devon and Cornwall Police

PCSO Mel Smith attended in place of PC K Rich

3 youths have been issued with asbo warning letters for throwing stones and being verbally abusive - this is a first warning.

There have been a lot of issues with youths climbing over the fence at the end of Somerville Park, PCSO Smith asked whether the Parish Council would consider purchasing anti climb paint - this would be an issue for MDDC - District Cllr Chesterton to liase with Police.

PCSO Mel Smith reported that she had met with Steve Betsworth to discuss issues regarding Willand Moor road.

It was reported that the Police had visited youth club and will continue to make regular visit.

There is a possibility of the Police hosting a day in the village to discuss issues including drug awareness perhaps in the summer holidays.

Graffiti is an issue around the village but is being dealt with.

April - 15 incidents.

Police liaison meeting - Frances Wilcox was upset that youth club children had been promised a residential and now that PC Dodd had left the area the event is not going ahead.

PCSO Smith to chase PC Dodd to see if he is going to go ahead with the project.

2. Mid Devon District Councillors Chesterton, Hull and Brandon

District Cllr Chesterton confirmed that the Orchard Way sign will be replaced in due course, AGM of MDDC - Peter Hare-Scott is the new leader of the Council. Cllr Brandon and Cllr Hull will be staying on environmental and green cone scheme, Cllr Chesterton is to be on the Scrutiny committee and the Housing committee and will Chair responsive repairs in council owned properties. **Devon County Councillor Radford - apologies sent Parish Lengthsman / Health and Safety - areas for attention Income this month**

Dean hill road, Rectory close/ ploughed the verge - lengthsman

Willand moor road - bushes adjacent to playing field

Verbeer - opposite esso garage path hidden

5. Accounts:

- Cheque signing

P Harrogate (office allowance & internet) £ 23.99

P Harrogate (photocopying maps x 6) £ 12.00

P Harrogate (BT phone bill) £ 24.56

Willand Village Hall (room rental) £ 224.38

South West Water (cemetery) £ 19.90

South West Water (allotments) £ 23.57

A Pipe (nesting boxes 2006/07/08) £ 500.00

Parish Magazine £ 294.00

Burial Ground £ 420.00

6. Correspondence Received:

- DCC Listening events - 12th May Cullompton

Noted

1. Public Questions

Brian enquired about the cheque for Astra Printing

Clerk advised that this had been sent

Brain to contact Astra Printing and get back to the Clerk

Items to be tabled:

Devon in Touch

DAPC

Playing Field

Meeting closed: 21:04

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