



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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THE MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2010 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL AT 19.00

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Ursell, Cllr Phare, Cllr Bartlett, Cllr Wright, Cllr Baker, Cllr Crick, District Cllr Brandon, District Cllr Chesterton, Tracy Leaman (Parish Clerk), County Cllr Radford

1. Apologies: Cllr Mander, District Cllr Hull, PC Katie Rich

2. Public questions: None

3. Minutes of the meetings held

Thursday 14th October – Full Council – signed as a true and correct record

Thursday 14th October – Planning Committee – signed as a true and correct record

Thursday 28th October – Environment Committee - signed as a true and correct record

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4. Matters arising

Street light – reported to DCC. Since reporting the problem to Devon County Council the Clerk received notification from Mid Devon District Council that it is not responsible for the lighting within the parish field. Eddie Dennis confirmed that the Parish Council is responsible for the 3 lights there. The Parish Council decided the Clerk should contact Devon County Council and ask them to repair the light on behalf of the Parish Council.

Action Clerk

County Cllr Radford joined the meeting at 19:05

5. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police – The Clerk read the report received from PC Rich in her absence. The report will be displayed on the Parish Council notice boards and the Parish Council website. It was unanimously decided to write again to the Chief Constable this time questioning the lack of consultation before the closure of Cullompton Police Station to the public. Cllr Ursell confirmed that the Parish Council had not yet received a full reply from when they last sent correspondence, only an acknowledgement letter. **Action Clerk/Cllr Ursell**

District Councillors Brandon, Chesterton and Hull

District Cllr Brandon – Confirmed that the air quality in Willand is constantly being monitored, at present it is acceptable but Mid Devon District Council is installing more

monitoring equipment. If the air quality worsens Mid Devon District Council may consider lowering the speed limit on the M5 near the affected area. District Cllr Brandon reported that it has come to Mid Devon District Councils attention that an electrical company has been set up in Harpitt Close, works vans have been seen there. The Enforcement Officer at Mid Devon District Council has been informed as the garden is being laid to tarmac. Cllr Barker mentioned a similar problem in Gables Road, Cllr Chesterton confirmed that Mid Devon District Council have visited that site previously, although no proof of a business could be found on that occasion.

District Cllr Chesterton – Cllr Chesterton confirmed that the Portway planning application went before the Planning Committee who resolved that a site visit would take place on Friday 12th November.

County Councillor Radford – Confirmed that the overgrown hedges in Willand Old Village will be viewed by the Parish Lengthman to see what action can be taken. County Cllr Radford stated that last year there were 525 children in care in Devon that figure has now increased to 641, at a cost of £30,000 per child, per year. County Cllr Radford also confirmed that the lighting cuts across the county are now being implemented.

Parish Lengthsman/Health and safety – areas for attention – Cllr Phare stated that the road speed signs leading out of village by cemetery are being obstructed by overgrown branches. **Action Clerk**

6. Finance

NOVEMBER 2010 ACCOUNTS

PAYMENTS

T Leaman	Office expenses and Internet	£23.00
K Broom	Cemetery hedge/Churchyard grass	£205.00
MDDC	Refuse collection x 26 weeks cemetery	£119.15
ICCM	Membership 26/10/10-31/3/11	£36.00
Royal British Legion	Donation for Wreath	£50.00
Astra Print	Magazine	£885.00
Willand Rovers	Grass cutting – Parish field	£752.00

RECEIPTS

Cemetery	Fees	£388.50
Allotment	Rent	£209.00
Magazine	Advertising	£588.00

The Clerks asked to purchase a book of Exclusive Rights of Burial at £65.00 for a book of 50. This was unanimously agreed and will be deducted from the stationary allowance.

7. Village Clock

The annual service quotation has been received. Cllr Phare reminded the Parish Council that Mr. Woodley from Honiton had recently reviewed and adjusted the clock for £150.00 a similar amount to that required for a service. Mr. Woodley had also offered

advice to Cllrs Phare and Mander. On reflection the committee unanimously decided against paying for a service.

8. Village Tree Warden

A parishioner with a life-long interest in trees had emailed the Clerk offering his services as a voluntary Tree Warden to the village, undertaking to keep an eye on the young trees in Willand and through the village magazine, encouraging a greater interest and appreciation of the village trees and hedges. The Parish Council was extremely pleased to receive this offer of assistance and unanimously agreed to accept the offer. **Action Clerk**

9. Meeting dates

Thursday 25th November – Environment and Planning meetings

Thursday 9th December – Full Council and Planning meetings

Thursday 16th December – Environment and Planning meetings

Tuesday 21st December Finance and Admin – Precept

10. Communications received:

Society of Local Council Clerks – tabled at meeting

October In Touch – emailed to Cllrs 12th October

Gillette and Johnston letter – service

New licence – Verbeer Manor – passed to Environment meeting 28th October

Consultation on Executive Arrangements – Emailed to Cllrs 20th October for completion

DAPC Spending Review – Emailed to Cllrs 21st October

DCC – Devon’s Big Minerals Debate Questionnaire – tabled at meeting

Drop in surgery flier – tabled at meeting

Voluntary support scheme letter – tabled at meeting - information required about how many village residents are supported by the charity– **Action Clerk**

Big society flier – tabled at meeting

Clerks and Councils direct – tabled at meeting

October Parish Matters newsletter – emailed to Cllrs 2nd November

Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Service Annual Report – emailed to Cllrs 2nd November

Blackdown Hills newsletter – emailed to Cllrs 2nd November

Telephone message left by parishioner re: power point – parishioner did not leave name or number

Email from parishioner re: damaged bus shelter, Silver Street – emailed to Cllrs 4th November – **Action Planning Committee**

Meeting closed: 19:45

Cllr Ray Ursell Chair Willand Parish Council