



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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THE MINUTES OF THE FULL METING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH MARCH 2011 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL AT 19.00

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Ursell, Cllr Phare, Cllr Mander, Cllr Crick, Cllr Crawford, Cllr Bartlett, Cllr Baker, Cllr Wright, District Cllr Chesterton, District Cllr Brandon, District Cllr Hull, 4 members of the public, Tracy Leaman (Parish Clerk), PC Katie Rich joined the meeting at 19:15

1. Apologies: County Cllr Radford

2. Public questions: A member of the public raised an issue with the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Thursday 10th February. *PC Custance stated that the Fire Investigation had concluded that the fire was not arson and that the fire was not linked to the van fire in the area later that month.* The member of the public stated that to his knowledge arson has not been ruled out. The Parish Council will contact PC Graham Custance for clarification.

PC Katie Rich joined the meeting at 19:12

A member of the public asked the District Councillors what Mid Devon District Council would be doing to remedy the lack of 3 bedroom houses in the village for families. The member of the public stated that the procedure for people wanting to exchange social houses is very prolonged. The member of the public also said she understood that the 6 affordable homes in Park Street had been cut to 4. Cllr Crick stated that this was going to be discussed during the planning meeting (item 2). District Cllr Chesterton stated that he had tried to get Mid Devon District Council to overturn the Park Street decision, but could not challenge it as a Ward Member. A new policy is needed so that this situation does not arise again. Unfortunately this will not help Willand in this instance. District Cllr Chesterton stated that a Housing Survey needs to be carried out in Willand.

A member of the public raised concern about articulated lorries coming into the village from Junction 28 via Kings Mill Road and then turning left to Willand to come into the village at the church. He provided the Parish Council with some photographs showing damage to the bridge. Signage needs to state that the road is not suitable for HGV's because of the bridge. Cllr Ursell confirmed that he and Cllr Crick had recently driven around the area to view the problem. Cllr Ursell and County Cllr Radford will meet with Devon County Council to discuss the problem. Uffculme Parish Council is also working to solve this problem.

3. Minutes of the meetings held

Thursday 10th February – Full Council

Thursday 10th February – Planning Committee

Thursday 24th February – Environment Committee

Thursday 24th February – Planning Committee

The minutes were all signed as a true and correct record. Unanimously agreed.

4. Matters arising

Youth shelter roof repair been completed and the Youth workers have been informed.

5. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police

Katie Rich gave her report. Cllr Crick commented that there seemed to be an unacceptable amount of antisocial behaviour. PC Rich said that she was not surprised because of the time of year, lighter evenings. She stated that as the Police speak to people regarding the incidents the amount of incidents will hopefully decrease. PC Rich said she had contacted Highways who confirmed an 18 tonne weight limit in village, Highways also confirmed that it is not the position to change the signage at present.

District Councillors Brandon, Chesterton and Hull –

District Cllr Brandon confirmed that she is calling in planning application for change of use of land adjacent to the Verbeer Manor.

District Cllr Chesterton, confirmed that the Portway planning application have lodged and appeal and stressed that those who submitted complaints originally should submit again. A member of the public asked if the public can attend the site visit.

County Cllr Radford - (Update by Cllr Ursell in County Cllr Radford's absence)

Cllr Ursell and Eddie Dennis meet regularly with County Cllr Radford to discuss outstanding issues such as The Gables, the weight limit, the footbridge and the Meadow Park Road surface. A visit to the County Council offices is being arranged to meet with appropriate staff and progress the outstanding issues.

Cllr Wright expressed concern about the road surface at the Four Crossways roundabout. Cllr Ursell is also cataloguing the replies received from The Gables/Parish Plan survey.

Parish Lengthsman/Health and safety – areas for attention - Footpath Silver Street to Esso Garage, the parish lengthsman attended the village on Thursday 3rd March to clear the footpath. The subway is in need of attention as leaves are making the ground there very slippery.

6. Finance

PAYMENTS

T Leaman	Office expenses and Internet	£23.00
T Leaman	Phone bill	£63.29
Culm Voluntary Car	Donation	£100.00
Alan Bartlett	Bolt for notice board	£3.49
Village Hall	Roof donation	£500.00

Stoneman Engineering	Youth Shelter repairs	£167.95
Astra Printing	Magazine	£939.00

RECEIPTS

Cemetery	Exclusive Rights Z3	£273.00
Cemetery	Burial fee	£136.50
Magazine	Advertising	£228.00

8. Meeting dates

- Thursday 24th March – Finance and Administration and Planning meetings
- Thursday 31st March – Annual Parish meeting 7.30pm
- Thursday 14th April – Full Council and Planning meetings
- Thursday 28th April – Environment and Planning

9. Communications received:

- DALC consultation document for Public Forest Estates – emailed to Cllrs 4th February
- Community Land Trust flier – emailed to Cllrs 4th February
- DALC Training Calendar – emailed to Cllrs 4th February
- East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership Annual Conference flier – tabled at meeting
- DCC Care Direct Poster – displayed on notice board
- Sustainable Communities Act Update – emailed to Cllrs 7th February
- DALC Making it work locally conference – emailed to Cllrs 8th February
- DALC Community Right to Buy and Right to Challenge consultations - **responses by 26th April**
- February Intouch newsletter – emailed to Cllrs 15th February
- Road closure for street parties email
- MDDC Green Infrastructure Strategy – initial consultation – tabled at meeting – **comment by 31st March**
- Stoneman Engineering quote – emailed to Cllrs 21st February
- Willand Rovers grass cutting quote
- February Parish Matters – emailed to Cllrs 21st February
- MDDC Town or Parish representative – emailed to Cllrs 21st February
- MDDC Planning Committee agenda – emailed to Cllrs 23rd February
- Culmstock Parish Council – Hemyock to Willand cycle path email
- Email from Parishioner re: Silver Street to Willand Garage footpath – Clerk replied and forwarded email to Cllrs 25th February
- Telephone call from parishioner re: render falling off of The Gables – Cllr Ursell advised the parishioner to email County Cllr Radford
- Diocese response
- DALC Mar/Apr newsletter – tabled at meeting
- Parish Matters Spring – tabled at meeting
- Clerks and Councils Direct – tabled at meeting

Devon County Council Minerals Core Strategy – options consultation – tabled at meeting
Audit Commission – Appointment of Auditor letter – tabled at meeting
Telephone call the Cllr Ursell re: HGVs driving through the village

Meeting closed: 19:50
Cllr Ray Ursell
Chair Willand Parish