



## WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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### THE MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2012 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL AT 19.00

#### MINUTES

**Present:** Cllrs Ursell, Phare, Mander, Firkins, Warren, Metherell, Wilcox, Dennis, Thompson, District Cllrs Chesterton, County Cllr Radford, Tracy Leaman (Parish Clerk), volunteer Brian Holmes, 3 x members of the public

**1. Apologies:** Cllr Crick, District Cllr Brandon

**2. Chairman's announcements:** The Christmas Carol Service will be held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December a volunteer reader is required, let Cllr Ursell know if you are interested.

**3. Public questions:** None

**4. Minutes of the meeting held**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012 Cllr Phare proposed signing the minutes as a true and correct record, Cllr Dennis seconded, unanimously agreed.

**5. Matters arising**

Response to John Clarke's letter

Fir Close proposed houses – status of, housing needs figures

Sale of motor vehicles for home or highway – update Cllr Dennis

The three items were dealt with at the Planning Committee meeting which followed the Full Council meeting.

**6. Reports**

Devon and Cornwall Police - None

District Councillor Chesterton – The High Street regeneration scheme has given a grant to Cullompton Town Council to recreate a two day market in the town Bull Ring . The first market will be held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Mid Devon District Council has now set up a pilot scheme to advise small and medium businesses following the demise of Business Link.

County Councillor Radford confirmed that Willand Parish Council has a good relationship with Willy Pike, the Parish Lengthsman. The sale of the Gables is

proceeding. Devon County Council is in a fairly comfortable position due to the recent savings that have been made in the budget cuts. There will be a restricted 2% increase in Council Tax next year. Cllr Dennis asked what the long term impact of this would be to the public. County Cllr Radford confirmed that the new leaner spending strategy will be ongoing. A member of the public asked where the proposed incinerator would be located. County Cllr Radford and District Cllr Chesterton confirmed that it likely that it will be located in Tiverton between Post Hill and the North Devon Link Road. Cllr Chesterton also confirmed that the incinerator would not lead to an increase in the amount of refuse lorries and that the road infrastructure would be put in first. The Local Plan 3 states that the Link Road should be protected at all costs.

Parish Lengthsman/Health and safety – Cllr Warren confirmed that the footpath near the Woodland Trust area is filling with mud that needs removing. **Action Clerk**

- 7. Round table update:** Churchyard wall - Cllr Firkins forwarded an update to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. The bier was painted on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Mander asked if the TAP fund could be used to fund Willand Christmas lights, Cllr Ursell confirmed that Willand has already submitted and funding application for the Gables.

## 8. Finance

### PAYMENTS

T Leaman	Office expenses, telephone and internet	£21.00
Audit Commission	2011-2012 Audit fee	£480.00
MNR Projects Ltd	Swing repair	£162.00
MDDC	Cemetery refuse collection	£117.00
Village Hall	Hall hire	£300.00
Ron Tucker	Plants for planters	£269.00
Ken Broom	Churchyard grass 10 Of 12	£130.00
Brian Vincent	Allotment hedge trimming	£150.00
Astra Printing Group	Magazine	£885.00
Richard Phare	Bier paint	£59.96

### RECEIPTS

Allotment	Rent	£138.50
Cemetery	Fees	£879.00
Cemetery	Levelling	£20.00
Magazine	Advertising	£466.00
Willand Pharmacy	Christmas lighting donation	£50.00

Cllr Mander proposed accepting the income and expenditure, Cllr Phare seconded, unanimously agreed.

## 9. Proposed projects – brief description of projects

Jubilee Parish field – entrance

Skateboarding facilities  
 South View Close play area equipment  
 The Gables

Cllr Ursell asked that the Full Council are happy to pass these items on to the Finance and Administration committee to explore funding opportunities. Cllr Dennis confirmed that Stoneman Engineering is submitting a quote to replace the two gates in the Jubilee Parish field. Cllr Dennis also confirmed that the tree overlooking the South View Close play area have been cut back.

**10. Meeting dates:**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Sub Community Committee meeting  
 Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November Village Walk – 2pm village hall  
 Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Planning and Environment meetings  
 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December Full Council and Planning meetings  
 Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December Finance and Administration meeting

**11. Communications received:**

Grant request – Life Education – Willand School – forwarded to Chairs – 9<sup>th</sup> October – don't donate now  
 Email from parishioner – re speeds on Silver Street – forwarded to Cllrs 9<sup>th</sup> October  
 Came & Company – Newsletter – tabled at meeting

**Meeting closed: 19:22**

**Cllr Ray Ursell**

**Chair Willand Parish Council**