



## WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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### THE MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2013 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.00

#### MINUTES

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

**1. Apologies:** Cllrs Metherell, Thompson, PCSO Sims, Volunteers Eddie Dennis, Brian Holmes, District Cllr Evans

**2. Chairman's announcements:**

Following the resignation of Eddie Dennis as a Parish Councillor, he has indicated that, he is willing to remain as a support Volunteer, offering his knowledge and experience. Cllr Ursell proposed accepting Eddie Dennis as a support volunteer, Cllr Phare, seconded, unanimously agreed.

As the Parish Council is currently low in members Cllr Ursell proposed that until the number of members increase all members serve each Committee, seconded Cllr Warren, unanimously agreed.

**3. Public questions:** The members of the public present expressed their concern regarding the badly parked cars near the Somerville Road junction and asked for the Parish Council's support in securing double yellow lines along the junction.

19:10 County Cllr Radford joined the meeting

Cllr Warren proposed that the issue be passed to the Planning Committee, and urged the members of the public to get supporters to sign a petition. Cllr Warren suggested the diagram submitted to the meeting should include the exact position of the proposed double yellow lines. The petition can then be brought to a Planning Committee meeting in April. With the information supplied Cllr Warren will add an agenda item to consider the petition and any other information. And will, if appropriate, submit a recommendation to Devon County Council on behalf of the petitioners. Cllr Mander seconded the proposal, unanimously agreed. Cllr Firkins reiterated the need for those affected by the problem to phone the Police on the 101 telephone number to enable the Police to compile the statistics of the problem.

- 4. Minutes of the meeting held:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2013 – Cllr Wilcox proposed accepting the minutes, Cllr Warren seconded, unanimously agreed by those present at the meeting.

## 5. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police: The Police are updating to a new system of reporting incidents and crimes to Parish Council's. The system will operate a month in arrears and commence next month.

PC Rich and PCSO Sims will be paying extra attention to the recent complaints regarding parking, speeding and HGV's breaching weight restrictions at Willand Primary School, Somerville Park junction, Somerville Road, Willand Moor Road junction, Uffculme Road, Gables Road, Dean Hill Road and Silver Street.

District Councillor Brandon confirmed that she will email some documents to Cllr Thompson and Volunteer Eddie Dennis. The waste working group has met for a 2<sup>nd</sup> time.

District Cllr Brandon brought an outline planning application to the Parish Council's attention. Cllr Warren raised concern that a business on the proposed site has been asked to move and is unable to secure alternative premises in the village. The Mid Devon Business Park has rejected the business, a garage, from moving to the site. The Parish Council is of the opinion that if the Mid Devon Business Park turns away potential tenants the site should not in the future be considered for residential housing.

District Cllr Chesterton confirmed that the CIL report has been published and that the CIL contribution has been reduced by half to £40.00 per sq metre.

County Cllr Radford gave some details from a street parking report and confirmed that all Councils are working together to try and harmonise refuse collections.

Cllr Warren confirmed that the street light outside the Post Office is not now on constantly as requested.

- 6. Round table update:** Cllr Warren – has scheduled a meeting with Simon Newcombe regarding pavement sweeping, they will also look at the responsibility of footpaths in the village. The Scouts are taking part in Bob a Job Week in June/July, email Cllr Warren with possible job suggestions.

## 7. Finance

### PAYMENTS

T Leaman	Office expenses, telephone and internet	£21.00
T Leaman	Hospitality	£40.77
T Leaman	Stationary	£12.00
Blachere Illuminations	Christmas lights (removal of)	£455.40

SWW	Allotments (estimate)	£13.47
SWW	Cemetery (estimate)	£7.59
Ken Broom	Churchyard grass	£130.00
Countrywide	Jubilee Parish Field hedge	£348.00
Astra Printing	Magazine	£938.99
Ray Ursell		£30.00

### **RECEIPTS**

Allotment	Rent	£12.75
Magazine	Advertising	£166.00
Christmas lights	Willand Community Composting	£100.00

Cllr Warren asked the remaining Precept balance be given at Finance and Administration meetings.

- 8. The Gables:** The Parish Council expressed its disappointment with Devon County Council's unwillingness to provide financial support for the project.

The following actions were agreed:-

- The Parish Council will draft an open letter to highlight the issue and reinforce the importance of this piece of land for the future of community services in the village. **Action Cllr Ursell**
- Put together a business plan, for approval, in preparation for exploring alternative funding opportunities. **Action Cllrs Ursell, Firkins**
- County Cllr Radford will explore further opportunities for funding from Devon County Council. **Action County Cllr Radford**

### **9. Meeting dates:**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March Finance and Admin committee meeting  
 Parish Walk Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm Village Hall car park  
 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March Planning and Environment committee meetings  
 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April Full Council and Planning committee meetings  
 Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April Planning and Environment committee meetings

### **10. Communications received:**

JTT Churchyard wall quote  
 Cornerstone Building Solutions Churchyard wall quote  
 Townlands Estate Management letter – Environment Committee 28<sup>th</sup> February  
 Telephone message from parishioner – bin near the children's play area Willand Moor Road full, would the PC consider placing a dog bin there? – To be discussed further by the Environment Committee – **Action Environment Committee**  
 3 letters from parishioners regarding car parking in Somerville Road  
 Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Draft Plan – Consultation emailed to Cllrs 6<sup>th</sup> March – Cllr Warren confirmed that the consultation contains nothing that directly affects Willand, and proposed responding with thanks for asking our

opinion and that the proposal seems sensible in retaining a good service for the area. **Action Clerk**

**Meeting closed: 20:37**

**Cllr Ray Ursell**

**Chair Willand Parish Council**