



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2015 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.00

Present: Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Chesterton, MDDC Councillor Evans, DCC Councillor Radford, two members of the public, Clerk K Taylor

1. Apologies: PCSO Sims, Councillor Ursell, MDDC Councillor Doe

2. Chairman's announcements: a) Meeting recorded

b) The Chairman reported that he and Cllr Ursell had attended a site meeting with DCC, their consultant and a local resident on the B3181 to discuss moving the bus stops and traffic signs situated near the motorway bridge. Consultation with residents had not taken place. New criteria regarding crash barriers has been introduced, the barriers by the bridge are too short and need to be increased. The intention had been to move the bus stops nearer Diggerland entrance and in front of the house on the other side of the road. The residents are not in favour of the plan. Consultant is to consider moving stop back into Old Village. This will be discussed further in the planning meeting.

3. Public questions

Caroline Dummet Willand Rovers Football Club asked that the Parish Council support an application from Willand Rovers football club to the TAPs fund for a new PA system that would be available for use by the local community. The Chair of Council informed that there are another 3 applications that the Council have been asked to consider and he requested that the form to be given to the Clerk so that they can all be considered together at the Environment Committee meeting. Ms Dummet informed the Council that there was a defibrillator sited at Willand Rover's Football Club and she would check to see if there was a requirement for it to be on site or if it could be moved so as to be more accessible to the village.

4. Minutes of the meeting of 8 October 2015 Cllr Warren informed the Council that Cllr Phare had sent his apologies for absence but this had not been recorded in the minutes. It was proposed Cllr Wilcox seconded Cllr Grantham, that with this amendment the minutes be signed as a true and correct record. **Unanimously agreed.**

5. Matters arising from the minutes

All actions had been completed or are on this agenda

6. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police - report had been circulated.

District Councillors Chesterton, Doe and Evans

Cllr Chesterton reported that new Chief Executive had been appointed for MDDC. The Local Plan gone to Cabinet where it had been agreed that the consultancy required to enable the plans at Junction 28 to go forward would be implemented. Cllr Chesterton confirmed that if the Local Plan is not changed as a result of this work then it will not be going back to public consultation. The Chairman requested that Cllr Chesterton confirm that the Junction 27 Developers pre application confidential

advice had been paid for and he agreed to find this out. Both play areas & grass cutting will be on the MDDC Cabinet agenda in November. Cllr Chesterton confirmed that money to support the Grand Western Canal had been found. He confirmed that he was chasing up information on Portway compliance. Mid Devon Members had been invited to discuss policing in the District with the local police commander.

Cllr Evans reported on the various sub groups that he was involved in. There would be information coming about car parking charges in Mid Devon for 2016/17. Cllr Evans had put a freedom of information request into Cornwall Council regarding the Eden Project financial support from the Council as this could relate to the proposed development at Junction 27. The Chair thanked Cllr Evans for his efforts to get information on Junction 27 out to the public.

County Councillor Radford reported that the three issues relating to Willand he had been contacted about, the barrier, the seat and the sign had all been passed forward to officers. As there had not been any action Cllr Radford confirmed he would try to deal with it. The locality budget is still in existence and can be applied for. Budget planning is under way and DCC have to cut £35 million next year, running £9 million overspend on young person's budget.

7. Safety Concerns Willand Road raised by Halberton Parish Council

Halberton PC had asked for support from Willand PC in an application for TAP Funds to have priority signs erected at the bridge area. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr Warren and seconded by Cllr Phare that a response should be sent to Halberton PC indicating that Willand Parish Council did not think this is an appropriate use of the TAPs Fund. The response would be copied to Cllr Radford with a request that he liaise with Cllr Des Hannon & Halberton Parish Council.

ACTION: Cllr Warren/Clerk

8. Planters removal - For Decision

This is referred from the Environment Committee where there had been a brief discussion on the memo from Cllr Warren.

Following discussion it was agreed that an article would go in the next magazine and on the website to suggest removing the planters from the village in February unless alternative provision is suggested and volunteers were found to look after them.

ACTION: Cllr Warren/Cllr Ursell

9. Cemetery

a) Proposed minor amendments to clarify the Rules and Regulations had been circulated previously. Cllr Grantham proposed that these amendments be accepted, seconded by Cllr Phare and unanimously agreed.

The Clerk had circulated a suggested cost for small plots in the central circle of the Garden of Remembrance £125 for residents and £250 for non-residents. It was proposed by Cllr Mander and seconded by Cllr Grantham that these costs be accepted. After discussion an amendment was proposed by Cllr Phare that the £125 should be increased to £175, Cllr Wilcox seconded the amendment. The Chairman called for a vote on the amendment - 3 For 2 Against. The amendment became the substantive motion and was unanimously agreed.

ACTION: Clerk

b) MDDC rubbish removal proposed new schedule – to agree required frequency. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr Phare seconded by Cllr Grantham and unanimously agreed to keep the same size bin and reduce to fortnightly collections. It was noted that this may need to be reviewed in the light of experience.

ACTION: Clerk

10. Reviewing the Effects of Efficiency Measures Working Group

Email from Cllr Evans asking for feedback circulated 2 Nov. Cllr Doe had also requested this information when she sent her apologies for the meeting. Feedback from the Parish Cllrs included the disappointment with the lack of traffic wardens, dog wardens, implementation of paying for garden waste, and the poor planning enforcement. There were positive comments about the service provided in general by ground staff, customer service staff, and response to fly tipping situations. Also the weekly food waste collection was seen to be a good thing. It was agreed that Cllr Warren would prepare a response for the District Councillors

ACTION: Cllr Warren/Clerk

11. The New Transparency Code and available Government funding

Information circulated to Cllrs 23 October – how does this impact Willand. It was noted that the grants would not apply to Willand. It was agreed that this item be moved to F & A committee in December.

ACTION: Clerk

12. DCC Minerals Plan

Documents circulated to Cllrs 2 Nov 2015. Response by 16 November 2015 Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr Warren, seconded by Cllr Grantham to send the letter prepared by Cllr Warren and circulated to all Cllrs prior to the meeting.

Unanimously agreed.

ACTION: Clerk

13. Churchyard – to agree response to MDDC letter of 22 October.

A suggested draft response had been prepared and circulated to all Cllrs before the meeting. Following a brief discussion it was proposed by Cllr Warren, seconded by Cllr Mander and unanimously agreed that the response should be sent.

ACTION: Clerk

14. Finance

Cheque signing and Income this month

NOVEMBER 2015 ACCOUNTS

PAYMENTS

HMRC (paid 14 Oct 2015)	NI & Tax	£581.60
Kate Taylor	Printer ink & stamps	£61.66
Kate Taylor	Office	£18.00
Tim Cox	Gables	£4598.00
Quarlfox Services	Gables grass & bank	£79.80
Quarlfox Services	Village hall hedge	£207.00
Royal British Legion	Remembrance Sunday Wreath donation	£50.00
Ken Broom	Grass cutting & Hedge trimming Churchyard	£215.00
Brian Holmes	Repair of lock on notice board	£12.55
Gir architects	Gables	£295.53
Countrywide	Jubilee field	£139.00
The Old Well	Plants for planters	£334.49
Astra Printing	Magazine printing	£885.00

DIRECT DEBITS

Vodafone	Clerk Telephone	£14.44
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RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER

Allotments	Allotment rents	£747.00
Magazine	Magazine	£23.00

Cemetery	Internment & 2 Memorials	£1,150.00
MDDC	Parish Precept	£20850.00
RAYDA Plastics	Christmas lights	£300.00

Cllr Grantham queried the invoice for the village hall hedge as he had understood that half of the amount was to be charged to the village hall. It was agreed that the invoice would be paid and he would discuss further with the Village Hall Committee. The Clerk to check with Cllr Ursell that the invoice from the architect for the work on the gables was authorised.

The income was noted. It was recorded that income of £172 had been received for magazine advertising on 13 July but omitted from the August account statement. It was properly recorded in the accounts.

Cllr Phare proposed that having noted these queries the monthly accounts be accepted, seconded Cllr Mander and unanimously agreed

15. Meeting dates

Thursday 12 November Full Council & Planning Committee
 Thursday 26 November Planning Committee & Environment Committee
 Thursday 03 December Community Sub Committee
 Thursday 10 December Full Council & Planning Committee
 Thursday 17 December Finance & Administration Committee

16. Communications received: since 8 October 2015

Forwarded to Parish Councillors by email
 12/10 Devon Countryside Access Forum Report with opportunity to join the Forum
 12/10 Parishioner raising concerns about the blocking of Footpath No 2 by developers
 13/10 Quarterly newsletter from Torrridge, North, Mid and West Devon Citizens Advice.
 15/10 Invitation to attend Devon Community Resilience Forum meeting on 10/11
 20/10 Email from MDDC Tree Officer confirming approval of trimming of Yew hedge Beaufoy House
 21/10 Invitation to a CPRE seminar at Kentisbeare Village Hall 21/11/15
 22/10 Invitation to attend a DCC Tough Choices meeting on 8/12 at 18.30 in the Hayridge Centre Cullompton. None of the Councillors were available to attend
 22/10 Response from Adrian Cook regarding play areas and the Churchyard
 22/10 Invitation to attend Village Carol Service on 6/12 in aid of Devon Air Ambulance
 23/10 Invitation to Devon Remembers Heritage Project evening event 11/11 Tiverton Museum of Mid Devon Life
 27/10 Invitation to nominate someone for Recycle Devon awards. Nominations due by 30/11. Following discussion it was agreed that Cllr Wilcox would investigate nominating Willand Primary School.
 28/10 DCC Community News Roundup
 29/10 Devon Local Flood Risk Management Strategy Update

The meeting closed 20:48

Cllr Barry Warren
 Chair of Willand Parish Council