



## WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14 JANUARY 2016 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL

*PLEASE NOTE: All Council Meetings are electronically recorded in the interests of accuracy.*

Co –option of any person wishing to stand as a Parish Councillor who has provided notice of this to the Clerk.

**Present:** Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Ursell, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Chesterton, MDDC Councillor Doe, MDDC Councillor Evans, 3 members of the public, Clerk K Taylor

#### 1. Apologies PCSO Sims

#### 2. Chairman's announcements: a) Meeting recorded

**3. Public questions** Mrs Dennis wished to direct a question to Cllr Ursell regarding the funding of the Willand Health & Community Centre project. *"I know you have been telling people that no public money would be required and I know that the Council have been giving money plus Ray Radfords Community Funds. This is public money and I would like to know if that will be returned when you have done your own fundraising?"* The Chair proposed this question be answered during item 11.

**4. Minutes of the meetings held:** Thursday 10 December 2015 Proposed Cllr Phare seconded Cllr Mander, and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

#### 5. Matters arising from the minutes

All actions had been completed or are on this agenda

#### 12 Willand Magazine

Following the article in the magazine there had been one offer to the Chair to help with the Magazine but not until April. Mr Holmes & Mrs Balaam confirmed that they would be willing to assist until someone was able to take it on. The Chair reported that Mrs Balaam has offered to help in the longer term with the advertising. Mr Holmes confirmed that on the whole the members of the distribution network were able to continue. There would be a stall at the Parish meeting to advertise the magazine and try to encourage some more volunteers. It was noted that Mrs Dennis had volunteered to help.

19:15 Mr Holmes & Mrs Balaam left the meeting.

Cllr Evans arrived.

#### 6. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police

Report had been circulated

District Councillors Chesterton, Doe and Evans

Cllr Doe informed MDDC were going to offer the standard planning training in the spring. She also explained more about the air ambulance night flying proposal and the technology that would allow the pilots to turn on landing lights from the helicopter.

Cllr Chesterton reported that it had been agreed by Cabinet that Willand Parish Council could lease the Parish Field. He will contact the legal department to make sure it is progressing. He had also heard that the Mid Devon Business Park is now under offer for business. The Pallex development was progressing on the field behind, currently there was archaeological exploration.

Cllr Evans reported that permission had been granted for the Viridor solar array, but he had been informed that the development will not be progressing at the moment. He informed that MDDC had received information regarding the provisional figures for its Government funding for the future and they were worse than expected for 2016/17 and there is no expectation of improvement in the future. He confirmed that the District Council would have to look at other areas of funding including car parking. He also informed the meeting about the work he had been doing on the application regarding the anaerobic digester which is on the planning meeting agenda and will be reported there. The Chair thanked Councillor Evans for his work on behalf of the parish on this application.

Cllr Chesterton confirmed that there was no further information on the Local Plan.

#### **7. MDDC draft Corporate Plan**

Following discussion it was agreed that individuals would respond to this and there would not be a formal letter from the Parish Council.

#### **8. Precept 2016**

Cllr Warren proposed that the precept as agreed at meeting of the F&A Committee On 17 December 2015 be accepted. Unanimously agreed **ACTION:** Clerk

#### **9. Finance**

##### **PAYMENTS**

##### **Cheques**

|                             |                              |           |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Quarifax (David Williams)   | Jubilee Field Footpath works | £31.88    |
| Blachere illuminations      | Christmas Lights             | £1,164.60 |
| SWW (Cheque to post office) | Allotment trough             | £91.07    |
| Allotment Association       | Subscriptions                | £171.00   |

##### **BACS**

|                      |                                     |         |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Astra Printing       | Magazine printing                   | £885.00 |
| Countrywide          | Ground maintenance Jubilee Field    | £139.00 |
| HMRC                 | Tax & Insurance                     | £607.20 |
| K Taylor             | Office + stamps                     | £28.80  |
| Devon County Council | Christmas Lights switching on & off | £582.02 |
| SWW                  | Cemetery trough (payments)          | £12.82  |

##### **DIRECT DEBITS**

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| Vodafone | Clerk Telephone for period 1/12 to 22/01 | 27.81 |
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## RECEIPTS IN DECEMBER

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| Magazine     | Advertising      | £58.00  |
| Village Hall | Hedge Cutting    | £100.00 |
| Allotment    | Rents            | £87.50  |
| PenCarrie    | Christmas lights | £300.00 |

Cllr Ursell proposed that the monthly accounts be accepted. Seconded by Cllr Phare and unanimously agreed.

### 10. Parish Plan

The Chair had circulated a document to Cllrs prior to the meeting. Cllr Phare thanked the Chair for doing this and proposed that option 3, to deal with items individually as they were brought to the Council was adopted. Cllr Mander seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

### 11. Lease of Gables property to WH&CC Trustees

Cllr Ursell, Cllr Wilcox, Cllr Mander and Cllr Grantham declared an interest as Trustees of the Charity.

Kate Taylor as Parish Council's Proper Officer – Gave dispensation to continue as in this instance the goals of the Parish Council are the same.

Cllr Ursell responded to the question asked by Mrs Dennis regarding a statement he was purported to have made that no public money would be used for the development of the gables project. Cllr Ursell said that he believed he was misquoted in this. He confirmed that he had said that the parish precept would not be increased in order to develop the gables. There are still no plans to do this. However public money from grant organisations would be applied for. The Parish Council who had taken on the gables initially had put aside some money to instigate the development, there was no reason why the Parish Council should not decide to support the Willand Health and Community Centre with a grant towards the running costs of the building once it had been completed.

The proposed lease between the WHCC Charity Trustees had been circulated to Cllrs. Cllr Ursell suggested that there was still some work to be done on the lease and all of concerns raised would be ironed out.

It was agreed in principle that the Parish Council would sign the lease over to the trustees of the charity but that when there was a final document that the Parish Council would ask a solicitor to review it for them.

It was agreed that when it was finalised the Parish Councillors who are Trustees of the Charity will put forward a formal proposal that the lease is signed and that any outstanding monies held in the Council account are handed over.

The lease will be put on the Full Council agenda for February. **ACTION:** Clerk

### 13. Devon Air Ambulance request for possible sites for a community helipad

It was agreed that the Clerk & Cllr Warren would contact Devon Air Ambulance to find out more and report back to the Parish Council at a later date

### 14. Round Table update

Cllr Grantham reported that he had received an offer to refurbish the bench on the land opposite the garage and he had agreed to this.

Cllr Ursell proposed that the Clerk write to the Allotment Association to inform them that the rent would be increased from October 2016. Cllr Mander seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed. **ACTION:** Clerk

### 15. Meeting dates

Thursday 28 January 2016 Planning & Environment Committees  
 Thursday 04 February 2016 Community Sub Committee  
 Thursday 11 February 2016 Full Council & Planning Committee  
 Thursday 25 February 2016 Planning & Environment Committees  
 Thursday 03 March 2016 Community Sub Committee  
 Friday 04 March 2016 **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** 18:30

### 16. Communications received: since 1 December 2015

2/12 & 3/12 NHS Trust press release about procurement  
 7/12 Christmas greetings from Willand Primary School  
 8/12 David Whitton re bus stop relocation  
 8/12 & 10/12 MDDC re Play area costs  
 9/12 Lieutenancy in Devon – The Patrons Lunch June 2016 for the Queen's birthday celebrations. It was agreed to put this on to the Community agenda.  
 9/12 DCC consultation on funding school crossings  
 9/12 Devon Highways annual engagement survey  
 11/12 Creative Play information regarding outdoor play equipment  
 14/12 NHS Trust Changes at Tiverton Community Hospital  
 15/12 MDDC Information regarding possible hosting of a website for the parish  
 15/12 DCC Flood & Coastal Risk Manager link to flood risk advice for Neighbourhood plans  
 15/12 Devon Communities offer of a free training course on 3 February relating to applications for affordable housing  
 15/12 Invitation to Involve AGM on 14 January 2016  
 19/12 MDDC Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Policy – Consultation  
 19/12 MDDC Chairman's Christmas message  
 21/12 Devon Air Ambulance Trust newsletter  
 21/12 DCC Community news roundup  
 24/12 MDDC cost of cutting Gables Lea open space  
 04/01/16 MDDC Planning Committee 13/01/16 agenda

Meeting closed 20:20

Councillor Barry Warren  
 Chair of Willand Parish Council  
 11 February 2016