



## WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL ON THURSDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2016 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.07

**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, 1 member of the public, Clerk K Taylor.

#### 1. Apologies:

PCSO Sims, DCC Councillor Radford, MDDC Councillor Evans

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

#### 3. Public questions none

**4. Minutes of the meetings held:** Thursday 14 January 2016 Proposed Cllr Grantham seconded Cllr Wilcox, 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

#### 6. Reports

Devon and Cornwall Police circulated to Councillors 2 Feb 2016  
District Councillors Chesterton, and Doe

Cllr Doe reported that all refuse must now be placed in black sacks and items left unbagged would not be collected. This raised a question regarding cardboard and if it could be left alongside the recycling if the boxes were full. The question of collection of unwanted brown bins was also raised as there were occasions when despite having completed the website form the bin had not been collected with the 10 days. Councillor Doe undertook to clarify this point.

**ACTION:** Cllr Doe

Cllr Chesterton reported that Full Council would be debating a suggested rise of £5 for MDDC share of the forthcoming Council Tax.

The North West Cullompton masterplan had also been debated and would be going to full Council for approval. It was hoped that this will give a road round Cullompton. He was aware that the traffic lights on motorway junction 28 were causing problems for early traffic and he had been assured that this was going to be monitored.

Cllr Chesterton also informed that there were plans to alter the membership costs at local Leisure centres in particular relating to the over 60's swimming which would be phased out. The Council was keen to retain leisure centre provision with Mid Devon.

The Chair reported that Cllr Radford had mended the seat at the railway cutting himself and expressed the Parish Councils thanks. Cllr Radford had suggested that as there has been no movement on the repair of the barrier at the end of Cherry Close that the Parish Council

get it repaired and send in the bill to him. Following discussion the consensus of the meeting was to ask the handyman to price the cost of mending the barrier and when this was received to inform DCC of this and that they would be sent the bill.

The Chair raised questions regarding planning issues with Cllr Chesterton and these are covered in the Planning Lighting and Transportation Committee meeting minutes.

## 7. Village Planters

To decide on detail for forthcoming magazine article – the Chair informed the committee of the forthcoming article in the magazine and the help that has been offered for some of the planters. Following discussion it was agreed that the issue would be raised at the Parish meeting on 4 March, be on the Full Council agenda in March and then at the Environment Agenda at the end of March a final decision would be made whether to get rid of some of the planters in the village such as the ones up by Dean Hill Road.

## 8. Finance

Cheque signing  
Income/Expenditure this month

### PAYMENTS

#### Cheques

SLCC	Clerk's Manual	£ 35.50
Blanchere Illuminations	Christmas lights removal service	£455.40
Brightsea Print Group	Cemetery booklets	£85.00

#### BACS

KTaylor	Office costs & paper	£20.50
MDDC	Cemetery rubbish collection	£77.25

#### DIRECT DEBITS

Vodafone	Clerk Telephone	£21.26
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#### RECEIPTS IN JANUARY

Magazine	Advertising income	£100.00
Willand Community	Payment for water from allotment	£29.70
Composting	trough	
Cemetery	Internments	£886.00

Cllr Wilcox proposed that the monthly accounts be accepted. Seconded by Cllr Mander and unanimously agreed.

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

The Chair reported that he had engaged a Solicitor on behalf of the Parish Council as agreed. An email from the Solicitor had been circulated and some issues were awaiting her comments. It is expected that these will be available to be discussed at the March Community meeting and then a motion would be presented at the March Full Council meeting.

## 10. Willand Village Hall refurbishment

Councillor Wilcox had circulated a draft letter to send in support of the Village Hall application for funding for refurbishment. Two Councillors had not received the draft, it was agreed to resend this. Cllr Wilcox proposed that the letter be sent, Cllr Mander seconded the proposal and there were 4 in favour and 2 abstentions. Motion carried. **ACTION:** Clerk

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

Cllr Warren and Cllr Grantham gave an update on meeting with Air Ambulance representative where it had been agreed that the Parish Field would be a suitable site and the Air Ambulance were going to do a survey to ensure that it would be suitable. As the only planning structure would be a pole Cllr Chesterton did not think there would be a problem in planning terms and agreed to ask MDDC about this. **ACTION:** Cllr Chesterton

### 12. College Surgery in Willand

To discuss concerns raised by a resident over the closure of the surgery without notification Following it discussion it was agreed to write a letter to the surgery regarding this.

**ACTION:** Clerk

### 13. Councillors Round Table update

Cllr Grantham raised the issue of the new rubbish bin on the field and the new dog bin. He reported that the Parish Council had not followed the correct procedure for new bins and that MDDC would not add these bins to the list for collection. He had been informed that it was not possible to go through the process now. Following discussion it was agreed to write to Cllr Doe with the facts and ask her to intercede. **ACTION:** Cllr Grantham/Clerk

Cllr Warren requested that the District Councillors chase up the lease for the play areas and field, Cllr Chesterton agreed to do this **ACTION:** Cllr Chesterton

Cllr Warren reported back on the negotiation for the 106 money as a contribution to the fencing for the play area. Cllr Grantham and Cllr Warren will now take this forward.

Cllr Warren confirmed that the current magazine editor would be having a table at the Parish meeting in the hope of gaining some volunteers and requested that the Magazine be an item on the March Community Agenda. **ACTION:** Clerk

### 14. Meeting dates

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  
 Thursday 10 March 2016 Full Council & Planning Committee

**15. Communications received:** since 5 January 2016 and forwarded to Councillors by email.

11/01 Devon Communities Together requesting support for the refurbishment of Village Hall forwarded to Cllrs & on this agenda

18/01 Opportunity to join the Devon Countryside Access Forum closing date is February 25<sup>th</sup> 2016.

18/01 invitation from MDDC Chair to attend the District Council Annual Church Service on Sunday 13 March

19/01 DCC Flood & Coastal Risk Management Team request for update on sandbag policy

20/01 DCC Community news roundup

26/01 Electoral review of Devon: Final recommendations

27/01 Blackdown Hills Natural Futures News and Events

28/01 Rural Services Network - Growing a Rural Community request to complete a survey

02/02 Email from resident regarding the Willand Surgery

02/02 Opportunities to provide feedback to NHS Trust

The communications were noted and there were no outstanding actions.

The meeting closed at 20:18

Cllr Barry Warren  
 Chair of Willand Parish Council