



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 12 JANUARY 2017 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.00

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

Present: Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Sellick, Councillor Tobin, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Evans, DCC Councillor Radford, Clerk K Taylor.

1. **Apologies** MDDC Councillor Chesterton, MDDC Councillor Doe, PCSO Sims.
2. The Chair opened the meeting at 19:05 and informed that it would be recorded.
3. There were no members of the public in attendance
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 08 December 2016 had been previously circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor Phare and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

5. Progress Reports for information

a) Application to Invest in Devon Fund towards the cost of a slide on the Jubilee Field. Devon County Council had accepted the proposal and had discussed it at a meeting on 11 January. No outcome had been received but the Chair of Council confirmed that the slide had been ordered, and it was agreed where it should be sited. Councillor Radford confirmed with DCC had agreed to provide a plaque.

b) Lease for the Gables S106 five-year extension request to MDDC. No further information had been received from the legal department. MDDC Councillor Evans agreed to discuss this with the Planning Officers. **ACTION:** MDDC Councillor Evans

c) Playground leases no further information had been received from the Solicitor. The Clerk will contact him to find out how things stand. The Chair requested that in the absence of the other Ward Councillors, Councillor Evans establish a response from MDDC regarding the legal costs for the playground leases. **ACTION:** MDDC Councillor Evans/ Clerk

d) Councillor Grantham reported that the signs for the playgrounds had been obtained and will be put up as soon as possible. **ACTION:** Councillor Grantham

e) the Meeting with Trustees for WHCC on 9 January 2017 had been attended by all Parish Councillors and were now waiting for a response from the Trustees.

6. Reports

a) The report from Devon and Cornwall Police had been circulated.

b) District Councillor Evans reported that he had been informed that Uffculme Compost Magic would not be requesting a shredding budget for the coming year. Councillor Mander informed Councillor Evans that Willand Composting Group had written to Stuart Noyce regarding applying for money for shredding but had not had a response. Councillor Evans undertook to raise this with him. **ACTION:** MDDC Councillor Evans

He gave a brief report on the budget situation in MDDC and highlighted a real concern that the Government had changed the system for the New Homes bonus. This change would mean a significant loss of income for MDDC over the next four years, and there is nothing that the Council can do about this. It is the developers who hold the land and do not build who are affecting the income.

c) County Councillor Radford had provided a report that had been circulated. He confirmed that DCC were under pressure to balance the budget, but he was confident that this would be achieved. A new maintenance contractor, Skanska Construction UK Ltd, had been appointed by DCC for highways, public footpaths and pavements and the contract would run from April. DCC would be carrying out a road network category survey next year followed by a public and Parish Council consultation. He also reported on the energy saving success by DCC.

7. Finance

- a) Payment Authorisation.
- b) Income in December 2016

PAYMENTS

B Bussell	Cemetery hedge	110.00
HMRC	PAYE	604.88
Ken White signs	Play area signs	384.00
K Taylor	Office & refreshments	21.24
AM Lane	Allotment Tree Survey	306.00
SWW	Cemetery water	17.39
SWW	Allotment water meter	24.57
Countrywide	Jubilee Field	180.90
Blachere illuminations	Christmas lights removal	695.40
Playdale Playgrounds Ltd	Deposit for slide for Jubilee Field	2461.50
Vodafone	Clerk Telephone	9.10

RECEIPTS IN DECEMBER

C Morgan	Allotment rent	18.50
Magazine	Leaflet insertion	15.00
Cemetery	Internment	318.00
Culm Valley Methodist	Helicopter landing lights	327.68
Raydar Plastics	Christmas lights	300.00
Donations	Gables tool sale	18.50

Councillor Wilcox proposed that the monthly accounts be accepted and actioned, seconded Councillor Mander and unanimously agreed.

8. Precept 2017/18

The Clerk had amended the precept as agreed at the meeting of the F&A Committee on Wednesday 14 December 2016. Councillor Grantham proposed that the precept request as decided be sent to MDDC. Councillor Phare seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

9. Future Meeting Dates

Thursday 26 January 2017 - Planning and Environment Committee meetings
 Thursday 09 February 2017 - Full Council and Planning Committee meetings
 Thursday 23 February 2017 - Planning and Environment Committee meetings
 Thursday 09 March 2017- Full Council and Planning Committee meetings

Councillor Wilcox reported that she might be late to the meeting on 26 January

10. Councillors Roundtable

a) Helicopter landing light had received planning permission and Councillor Bartlett agreed to approach the contractor who had previously offered to manage the work to see if this was still a possibility. **ACTION:** Councillor Bartlett

b) Councillor Wilcox provided an update on the village hall floor which will not now be ready for use until the end of the week beginning 16 January. This would mean that the MDDC Local Plan exhibition on 18 January would be in the committee room rather than the main hall.

c) Councillor Warren reported that the Community Payback scheme will be working in the village this weekend. Councillor Bartlett raised the question of the hedge overhanging the

pavement from the roundabout towards the Halfway House. He undertook to email Councillor Warren who would check who currently owned the land. **ACTION:** Councillors Bartlett/Warren

11. Communications

a) The Clerk had established that the Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan 1st Consultation Draft – Presentation to Neighbourhood Parishes, Tuesday 24th January 2017, 6.30pm, The Hayridge Library, Cullompton would be similar to the presentation received by the Parish Council in October. Councillors who had not been able to attend that meeting were encouraged to attend.

b) Communications received since 2 December 2016 and forwarded to Councillors by email: Information outlining the consultation process for the Local Plan. Public Exhibitions are being held as follows.

LOCATION	VENUE	DATE	TIME
Willand	Willand Village Hall	Wednesday 18 th January	15:00 – 18:00
Tiverton	Phoenix House	Saturday 21 st January	09:30 – 12:30
Uffculme	Uffculme Madgelake Hall	Thursday 26 th January	16:00 – 19:00
Cullompton	Cullompton Town Ha	Monday 30 th January	12:00 – 15:00
Sampford Peverell	Sampford Peverell Village Hall	Wednesday 1 st February	15:00 – 18:00

20 MDDC Press Releases on a variety of issues

DCC Department of Transport information regarding the new Highway Community Enhancement Fund

North Devon Rail Survey

2 Newsletters from DCC

1 Newsletter from Torridge, North, Mid and West Devon Citizens Advice

1 NHS Newsletter

c) Communications not referred to Councillors

16 offers of training and brochures for equipment.

Communications noted.

The meeting closed at 19.55

Councillor Barry Warren
Chair of Willand Parish Council
09 February 2017