



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2017 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.04

Present: Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Tobin, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Chesterton, MDDC Councillor Doe, MDDC Councillor Evans (part), DCC Councillor Radford, Clerk K Taylor

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Sellick

2. The Chair declared the meeting open at 19.04 and that it would be recorded. He reported that the landing light for the air ambulance helicopter was in the process of being fitted. He had been over to the field and noted that it could do with some work, maybe being rolled and asked if the Clerk could put this on the Environment Agenda. **ACTION:** Clerk

3. There were no members of the public present.

4. The minutes of the meeting of Full Council on 09 February 2017 had been previously circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Mander seconded by Councillor Grantham, and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

5. **Progress Reports for information**

a) The Chair and Councillor Grantham reported on the meeting of the Environment PDG that they had attended. They had raised some questions regarding the street cleansing review (circulated to Parish Councillors for information) and reported that It was agreed that these questions would be answered in writing by Stuart Noyce.

b) Play Area Leases The solicitor had reported that he was still waiting for the land registry to confirm the registration. MDDC had refunded £1200 towards the legal costs incurred by Willand. The Chair thanked Councillor Evans for his efforts in resolving this.

6. **Reports**

a) Devon and Cornwall Police – no report had been received

b) District Councillors Chesterton, Doe and Evans
Councillor Doe had no report to give.

Councillor Chesterton reported that MDDC Council Tax would increase by the maximum allowed by Government. MDDC had taken part in a peer challenge which involved senior officers from different authorities spending time in Mid Devon and making recommendations for any improvements. This had been very useful previously and the Council was waiting for the reports.

Councillor Chesterton confirmed that the proposed date for Local Plan submission is still end of March and he believed that they were on course for the Environment Agency to comment on Junction 28 before the submission.

In response to a question from the Chair Councillor Chesterton confirmed that the Enforcement Team was being reduced through staff resigning but that recruitment would be taking place.

c) County Councillor Radford had provided a written report which gave the opportunity to ask questions. It was noted that the composting credits had been reduced but the reduction was on a sliding scale, so the effect was not as drastic as had been expected this year. Councillor

Radford confirmed that he had not had a response from anyone with regard to the letter sent by Willand with a request for a footpath up the B3181, and repairs to Muxbeare Lane. He would raise this with DCC.

ACTION: Councillor Radford

7. Finance

- a) Payment Authorisation
- b) Income in February 2017

PAYMENTS

Playdale paid 19 February	Final slide invoice	£2461.50
Ashfords LLP	Gables S106 agreement revision	£546.00
Astra Printing	Magazine March/April printing	£938.00
Allotment Association	Member subscriptions	£165.00
Countrywide	Jubilee Field Ground maintenance	£180.90
K Taylor	Office Supplies & playground padlock	£78.56
Willand United Charities	Allotment rent	£315.00
Vodafone	Clerk Telephone	£8.55
J Holmes	PPE	£83.03

RECEIPTS IN FEBRUARY

DCC	Slide grant	£3500.00
Magazine	Adverts & inserts	£39.00
H Hill-King	Allotment rent	£18.50

Councillor Tobin proposed that the monthly accounts be accepted and actioned, seconded Councillor Phare and unanimously agreed.

c) Uffculme Parish Council had advised as to possible funding available to obtain legal advice and possible cooperation. Councillors discussed the suggestion that money should be set aside from the reserves to pay for advice if necessary to fight against any planning applications at Junction 27 prior to the adoption the Local Plan. The consensus was that the Parish Council would not allocate any funding at the moment but would discuss again when or if it became necessary. Uffculme to be advised.

ACTION: Clerk

8. The Gables

- a) Revised Gables S106 agreement

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Mander seconded by Councillor Grantham and unanimously agreed that the amendments put forward by Ashfords would be sent to MDDC.

ACTION: Clerk

19:57 Councillor Evans joined the meeting.

- b) Lease with WHCC

The Chair reported that the Parish Council Solicitor had considered the lease and the proposed changes and his advice was that the section 9 should left as it was. There was an in-depth discussion that considered all the advice given and noted the explanation that the WHCC would be able to provide a lease for tenants that gave them the right to renew up until the 99 years. Councillor Bartlett then proposed that the Parish Council send the lease to the Trustees together with the legal advice received. Councillor Phare seconded the proposal, and a vote was taken. Councillor Wilcox and Councillor Mander abstained from the vote and it was carried by 5 votes.

ACTION: Clerk

The Chair invited Councillor Evans to give his report. At the meeting of the Environment PDG Councillor Evans had noted that there was a comment that food waste would be going to an AD and he had requested further information as to which one, and the length of the contract. As the Inspector in the Minerals Plan had indicated a concern with the traffic situation at Waterloo Cross he was now actively checking any applications that are coming forward that impact on Waterloo Cross.

9. Meeting dates

Thursday 09 March 2017 – Full Council and Planning Committee meetings

Thursday 16 March 2017 – Finance and Administration Committee meeting

Thursday 23 March 2017 – Planning and Environment Committee meetings apologies were received from Councillor Bartlett and Councillor Mander.

Friday 24 March 2017 – Annual Parish Meeting apologies were received from Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Mander and Councillor Wilcox.

10. Councillors Round Table

Councillor Wilcox asked the MDDC Councillors if, when the estates walkabout took place the Councillor present could raise the issue of the garage area in Somerlea and the parking problem around that area. MDDC Councillors agreed to do this if they were provided with a list of issues.

ACTION: Councillor Wilcox

11. Communications received

a) To consider

- i. Request for support for TAP fund application Cullompton Arts House (circulated with agenda). It was proposed by Councillor Wilcox that the Clerk write to support the application Councillor Bartlett seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.
ACTION: Clerk
- ii. Request for funding from Sampford Peverell Volunteer Group to develop playpark. Councillor Bartlett proposed that the Clerk write to explain that the Parish Council were not able to support projects outside of the village. Councillor Mander seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.
ACTION: Clerk
- iii. Greater Exeter Strategic Plan to note the date of 15 March for the display in Phoenix House and decide if any action is required. Councillor Chesterton gave a brief overview of the purpose of the strategic plan and how it would form the basis for a future local plan. No further action was required at this time.

b) Communications received since 2 February and forwarded to Councillors by email:

Dartmoor National Park with a sponsorship request & information about the planned otter trail

The national plant monitoring scheme

Culm Valley Children's Centre notification of moving & sale of equipment

5 NHS Communications

Citizens Advice Bureau newsletter

DCC online survey & promoting independence event reminder

DCC notification of adoption of the minerals plan

4 MDDC communications relating to Committees

6 MDDC general press releases

c) Communications not referred to Councillors

22 emails offering various services, seminars or equipment.

Communications noted.

Meeting closed 20.33.

Councillor Barry Warren
Chair of Willand Parish Council