



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL ON 13 JULY 2017 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.00.

Present: Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Dennis, Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Sellick (part), Councillor Warren, MDDC Councillor Chesterton, (part) MDDC Councillor Evans, (part) Clerk K Taylor 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies Councillor Dilke-Wing, Councillor Tobin, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Doe, DCC Councillor Radford.

2. The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm and said that it would be recorded. The Chair reported that he and Councillor Grantham had attended the Environment PDG on Tuesday and they gave a brief report on the proceedings.

3. Public questions

Mr Turton expressed his disappointment regarding the complaint received about the sign for the butcher's shop at the entrance to the business park which had now been moved to the other side of the entrance where it was less effective. The Chair explained that the Parish Council reported issues to the Planning Enforcement and Devon Highways when they were raised with them. The Parish Council had no power to decide on these issues and it was the responsibility of those officers to decide if the sign needed to be moved or any other enforcement should be served. He confirmed that the Parish Council did support local businesses and were keen to see them succeed.

4. The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8 June 2017 had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Grantham seconded by Councillor Dennis, and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

5. Progress Reports for information

a) Report from attendance at MDDC Full Council.

Councillor Grantham and Councillor Warren gave a brief report on the Full Council meeting they had attended.

19.35 Councillor Sellick joined the meeting.

b) Councillor Warren, Councillor Grantham and Councillor Mander had attended the meeting with DCC and MDDC about grass cutting and had circulated a brief report soon after the meeting.

Councillor Warren had put forward the following motion and Councillor Mander had seconded it.

"Willand Parish Council, being dissatisfied with the standard of grass cutting by Devon County Council contractors within the parish, resolves to commission a local contractor to carry out a 'one off' cut of the relevant areas with an option to revise the specification and cost for further cut(s) this financial year. Payment for this work will be made from within current budgets."

Following discussion, the motion was unanimously agreed, and it was agreed that Countrywide would be approached to make this cut following the next DCC cut due at the beginning of August.

ACTION: Clerk

c) The subcommittee set up to progress the transfer of the Gables site to the WHCC Trustees had considered the lease received from the Parish Council Solicitor and recommended that the lease is returned to the solicitor to be completed with the clear dates and information. The Clerk would then be able to forward the lease with an explanatory letter with the information as to the licence as advised by the solicitor. There was a detailed discussion with a number of points considered.

Following this Councillor Phare seconded the proposal and it was agreed by six votes with

Councillor Mander abstaining from the vote

ACTION: Councillor Warren & Clerk

19.50 MDDC Councillor Evans joined the meeting.

d) Further information had been received from MDDC legal department clarifying the boundary responsibilities for the South View play area. A commitment to repairing the fence and cutting back the trees had been given and there would be further investigation into what appeared to be the right of way into the play area. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk, the Chair of the Environment Committee and the Chair of Council would monitor this and that the lease would not be signed until the work had been done and the right of way issue resolved. **ACTION:** Clerk

19.50 MDDC Councillor Chesterton joined the meeting.

6. Reports

a) A police report had been received and circulated.

b) Councillor Wilcox had asked two questions of the MDDC Councillors.

ii) Asking about the press release from MDDC regarding an eviction in Willand and the length of time taken to re allocate the property.

ii) Why black bags of rubbish containing grass had been stickered and then left for a number of weeks by the MDDC collection teams, and a brown bin left out since the introduction of payment for garden waste and not collected.

Councillor Chesterton reported that he had forwarded these to relevant officers and had received a response. He would forward them to the Clerk for circulation.

ACTION: Councillor Chesterton/Clerk

Councillor Chesterton also confirmed that he was prepared to call in two outstanding planning applications to committee should the officers be minded to approve them.

Councillor Evans reported that he not heard anything regarding an appeal on the application for the 259 houses and gave brief report on the situation with the 30 houses at Uffculme which were refused by Committee but the application had been re submitted the following week. He informed the Parish Council that the Broadpath composting site has been closed. The landfill site is on target for closure in the next 18 months. Councillor Dennis asked Councillor Evans about the closure of the composting at Broadpath whether it was because of the proposed leachate site. He confirmed that this was not the case and that this suggested site had not yet been agreed. Following a question from Councillor Grantham he confirmed there was a permanent waste transfer site at Hitchcocks Farm. Junction 27 had been extracted from the Local Plan and an Inspector will hold a hearing on 26 & 27 September. MDDC internal audit has moved to the Devon Audit Partnership. MDDC has two representatives on the partnership, the Chair of the audit committee and another committee member currently Ray Radford.

c) County Councillor Radford had sent his apologies

7. Finance

The accounts for July were presented

PAYMENTS

HMRC	PAYE	£667.40
SLCC	Annual membership	£108.00
Old Well	Plants for planters	£171.69
K Taylor	Stamps for Magazine & AR parking training	£25.08
Countrywide	Jubilee Field grass	£178.50

RECEIPTS

HMRC	VAT reclaim	£6222.80
Willand Community Composting	Allotment water bill	£18.40
Cemetery	Additional Memorial inscription	£40.00
Magazine	Insert	£15.00

TOTAL £6,296.20

Councillor Phare proposed that the monthly accounts be accepted and actioned. Councillor Mander seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

8. Meeting dates

Thursday 27 July 2017 – Planning and Environment Committee Meetings Councillor Warren and the Clerk gave their apologies for this meeting.

Thursday 10 August 2017 – Planning Committee Meeting

Thursday 24 August 2017 – Planning and Environment Committee Meetings

Thursday 14 September 2017 Full Council and Planning Committee Meetings

9. Councillors Roundtable to receive any further information from Councillors and to highlight future agenda items.

Councillor Warren raised the email from WHCC for a fun day for fundraising in June 2018, it was agreed that this would not be an issue providing it is not the day that the Blue Cross required as they had been booking the space for the last few years. Concern was expressed about having vehicles on the field and it was agreed that there would be a proviso that any damage to the field must be repaired.

ACTION: Clerk

Councillor Dennis raised the fact that the path under the railway bridge in Station Road is really overgrown, she would provide the clerk with details to inform Highways. She had given the Clerk a banner which had been removed from a railing in the village and asked her to contact the owner to return it.

ACTION: Clerk

Councillor Dennis had contacted regarding an electricity pole in Gables Road which had cabling damaged and this had been fixed. Had spoken to the PCC about the shrubs growing out of the base of the church wall.

10. Communications

a) To consider

i) Request from Pencarrie regarding provision of a bus shelter South View Road, the Chair had met with Ian Sorenson from DCC and discussed with him. This had been quite productive and following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk and the Chair would continue to work on this.

ACTION: Clerk/Councillor Warren

ii) Project Griffin – opportunity to attend briefing sessions for counter terrorism project in Exeter in August. There was no interest in attending this briefing session.

b) Communications received since 1 June 2017 and forwarded to Councillors by email:

Roger Goulding offer of management advice for open spaces

2 NHS communications

5 MDDC Committee information

6 MDDC press releases

National Plant Monitoring Scheme - 2017 update

3 comments from residents regarding the state of the village and grass cutting following the publication of the magazine

c) Communications not referred to Councillors

42 emails offering various services, seminars or equipment

Meeting Closed 20.34

Councillor Barry Warren
Chair of Willand Parish Council

14 September 2017