



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT WILLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 19.00

Present: Councillor Dennis, Councillor Dilke-Wing, Councillor Grantham, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Sellick, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, MDDC Councillor Doe, MDDC Councillor Evans, DCC Councillor Radford (part), Clerk K Taylor.

1. **Apologies** Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Tobin, MDDC Councillor Chesterton,
2. The Chairman opened the meeting and announced that it would be recorded. He informed the Council that the appeal hearing for 16/01811/MOUT, the development of 259 houses on Silver Street, would be held on 3 October in the Council Chamber in Town Hall Tiverton at 10.00am.
3. No members of the public were present.
4. The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 13 July 2017 had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Phare seconded by Councillor Dennis and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

5. Progress Reports for information

- a) Meeting with DCC, MDDC and Co-op representatives regarding zebra crossing Councillor Dennis Warren & MDDC Councillor Evans had attended the meeting and it was confirmed that the crossing would be put in South View Road.
- b) South View play area. The Clerk reported that MDDC had completed all the works that had been requested. Following discussion Councillor Phare proposed that the Parish Council now take on a lease for this play area, Councillor Grantham seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed. **ACTION:** Clerk

19.15 DCC Councillor Radford joined the meeting.

c) Councillor Mander and Councillor Grantham gave a brief report on the situation within the WHCC. The Trustees were working to bring the signing of the lease to a conclusion.

d) Councillor Warren reported that he was continuing to work with Pencarrie on the provision of a bus shelter in South View Road and advised of the latest position.

6. Reports

- a) Devon and Cornwall Police report had been circulated. It was noted that the Devon & Cornwall Police website had an updated crime report map that the public could access. The clerk to circulate to all Councillors. **ACTION:** Clerk
- b) District Councillor Chesterton had sent a message with his apologies informing of the MDDC intention to hold a review of all Parish Boundaries in Mid Devon, prompted by the requests made for a partial review. However, this review is unlikely to be concluded by the Parish Election in 2019, which might be that they would officially come into being in 2023 if that is the case.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would write to the Chief Executive expressing dissatisfaction and detailing the issues. The Clerk would also contact Uffculme Parish Council with a view to agreeing joint action. **ACTION:** Clerk

District Councillor Doe reported that she would be attending a meeting with the police on 20 September and asked if there were any questions that the Parish Council would like her to ask. Councillor Dennis thanked Councillor Doe for her help with issues raised by MDDC tenants.

District Councillor Evans gave a brief update on the progress with the minerals plan. He commented briefly on two planning applications and informed the Council that MDDC were fundraising for a hydro project and a broadband project.

c) Devon County Councillor Radford gave a brief report on his activities as Chair of DCC. He gave a report on the accounts for the last financial year for DCC. He agreed to pay money from the locality budget for weed spraying

ACTION: Clerk

Councillor Mander asked about the hold up with composting credit payments and Councillor Radford agreed to follow this up.

ACTION: Councillor Radford

Councillor Radford also agreed to investigate the delay in the repair of the broken barrier brought to his attention by Councillor Grantham.

ACTION: Councillor Radford

7. Finance

PAYMENTS

Previously authorised		
Astra Printing (31/07)	Magazine printing (payment 31 July)	£938.00
Countrywide (31/08)	Ground maintenance Jubilee field	£178.50
DALC (31/08)	Councillor Training Course July	£30.00
JTT (31/08)	Jubilee Field Footpath	£10,110.00
Playdale Playgrounds	Black Grasslok surfacing	£162.00
Countrywide	Ground maintenance Jubilee field	£178.50
Quarlfox	Handyman work in Jubilee field & gables	£797.20
Astra Printing	Magazine printing	£938.00
Grant Thornton	Annual return	£360.00
SWW	Cemetery	£14.13
SWW	Allotments	£21.95
Brian Bussell	Grass cutting & hedge trimming Cemetery	£770.00
Fenland Leisure Products	Replacement swing for Jubilee Field	£87.60

RECEIPTS FOR JULY & AUG

Magazine	Inserts & Adverts	£616.00
Mr.Mrs Patterson Donation	For DAAT light	£75.00
MDDC	S106 for Jubilee Field	£2,718.45

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

ACTION: Clerk

8. Areas of DCC Grass cutting responsibility.

a) to discuss the MDDC quotation for cutting the DCC areas

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would not take up this option for MDDC to cut the grass when they were in the village cutting the grass that belonged to MDDC.

b) to decide if the Parish Council would take on responsibility for the grass cutting in Willand from March 2018.

Following discussion Councillor Phare proposed that the Parish Council take on responsibility for cutting the DCC grass in the village from April 2018 and that the specification as agreed be sent out to interested parties. Councillor Wilcox seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

c) The draft specification was agreed. It was agreed that the Parish Council would ask

Countrywide to do another cut before the end of the year.

ACTION: Clerk

9. Training Opportunities

a) The Clerk would attend the MDDC training on code of conduct/standards issues, Councillors to confirm with Clerk the dates would like to attend.

b) Interested Councillors to confirm with the Clerk if they were available and wished to attend the DALC AGM and Conference 10 October 2017

10. Meeting dates

Thursday 21 September 2017 – Finance and Administration Committee meeting

Thursday 28 September 2017 – Planning and Environment Committee meetings

Thursday 12 October 2017 – Full Council and Planning Committee meetings

Councillor Mander tendered his apologies for the meetings on 21 & 28 September

11. Councillors Roundtable

Councillor Grantham raised the question of the hedge in the Jubilee field which had been brought to the attention of the Clerk by one of the MDDC tenants. It was agreed to issue an order to Countrywide to cut it back as per the agreed contract. **ACTION:** Clerk

Councillor Grantham informed that WHCC is looking for new trustees and would welcome any applications from Parish Councillors and other interested people who felt that they had expertise to bring to the group.

Councillor Wilcox gave an update on the plans for WiFi at the Village Hall and asked that the expenditure be approved so that the Clerk could purchase by credit card. It was unanimously approved. **ACTION:** Clerk

Councillor Warren confirmed that the cutting back and clearing of the footpaths in the village was on the list of tasks for Community Payback.

Councillor Dennis raised a question about an Operator Licence for a business site within the village and the Chair advised that it was open to individuals to respond. As it appeared to be linked to a recent planning application the Chair had drawn it to the attention of the relevant planning officer.

12. Communications

a) To consider

- i) It was noted that the rubbish had been removed from the properties in Willand Moor. The Clerk reported that the Waste & Recycling Officer was prepared to visit areas to speak to people about this if requested. The new collection schedules would be delivered before the end of the month.
- ii) Email regarding land at Victoria Close – nothing more had been heard.

b) Communications received since 7 July 2017 and forwarded to Councillors by email:

Letter regarding insurance from WHCC reply agreed and sent 26 August 2017

Response from MDDC regarding request to consider boundary changes

10 MDDC press releases

14 MDDC Committee information

2 TNMWD Citizens Advice newsletter

1 NHS Communication

c) Communications not referred to Councillors

89 emails offering various services, seminars or equipment

Communications were noted.

Meeting closed 20.43

Councillor Barry Warren

Chair of Willand Parish Council

12 October 2017