

**Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL
of Tuesday 4th September 2018 at All Saints Village Hall, All Saints, held at 7.30pm**

Present:

Cllrs. Forbes (Chair), Speed (Vice-Chair), Hubbard & Lightfoot.
Clerk, Paul Hayward. DCC Cllr. Ian Hall (Axminster division)
2 members of the public.

Fire regulations and precautions:

Fire Regulations and emergency exits highlighted to those in attendance

Police Report:

No report provided by local team but Clerk reported June figures taken from Police Online stats.

County Councillor Report:

Issues raised: 1) Traffic light timing issues at Weycroft
2) Confirmation that proposed Axminster N>S relief road will start south of Weycroft bridge.
Cllr. Hall agreed that proposal will have consequences and agreed to lobby for alternatives.
3) Ongoing problems at Socks Orchard with large RSD (pothole). *Cllr. Hall to liaise with Clerk*
4) Highlighted issue of problem / addiction to gambling in Devon.
5) Overview of matters dealt with in the Axminster division.
Questions from Chair & Councillors re: gulleys at Weycroft Bridge that cause flooding
Cllr. Hall will arrange for these to be cleared before Winter arrives.

After a lengthy discussion regarding the Masterplan consultation for Axminster's future development and infrastructure, it was proposed that a public meeting be held in All Saints to garner public opinion from residents about the impact that the development and relief road will have on the parish, especially as a southern junction would leave the issue of Weycroft bridge and flooding unaddressed and result in even more diverted traffic through the parish when floods occur.

District Councillor Report:

No report available as Cllr. Diviani unable to attend meeting.

Other Reports:

P3:

No report as Hon. P3 Footpath Warden not in attendance.
It was reported that hedge debris had been left across the footpath at Poppins, Goldsmiths Lane.
Clerk: Please contact the landowner and ask them to clear debris and prevent future occurrences.

Tree Warden:

No report available.

Webmaster:

No report available.

Neighbourhood Watch:

No report available.

School Representative:

Nothing to report. School has only just returned after summer recess.

Public Forum:

The subject of the WW1 Armistice Centenary commemoration arose and Chair asked for details of resident who had just celebrated their 90th birthday in the parish and who might be willing to talk to children at the school on the subject of parish history in the last century.

Chair: to liaise with school in this respect. Lesley Brown (teacher) is coordinating project.

Chair thanked Libby and David for both funding, and installing, the Silent Soldier silhouettes around the parish and for all the work undertaken behind the scenes to commemorate the centenary.
No other questions from residents. Chair closed the public forum at this point to begin meeting.

18/52 Apologies Received:

Cllr. J. Nixon (prior engagement)
 Cllr. Diviani (EDDC Representative)
 Libby Dibble (P3 / NHW) Dave Wicken (Webmaster), Kevin Feeney (Tree Warden)

18/53 Declarations of Notifiable Interests:

None declared at this point.

18/54 Minutes of previous meetings:

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting Tuesday 24th July 2018 at 6.00pm
Approval of minutes proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded by Cllr. Lightfoot.
Resolved unanimously. Signed by Chairman as a true record of proceedings.
 No matters arising.

18/55 Chairmans Announcements / Matters of urgency for report only:

None.

18/56 Planning Matters:**a) To consider planning applications received prior to agenda publication:**

18/1887/FUL - Land at former cricket field, All Saints

Erection of 10m lighting column and assoc. electrical fittings for emergency night landing site

Applicant is the Parish Council. Collectively all Cllrs. have an interest as elected members but exempt from declaration.

Cllr. Lightfoot queried why no trees were shown on plan. Clerk advised that EDDC had not questioned their omission on the plans submitted.

Furthermore, Cllr. Lightfoot queried why proposed hardstanding enlargement was not shown.

Clerk advised that he believed this to be a matter between landlord and tenant only and not subject to planning consent as not a material change pertinent to the erection of the column.

Clerk: please contact EDDC planning dept. to verify that consent will not be required for the enlargement of the existing aggregate hardstanding to provide a wider turning circle for access.

Proposed by Cllr. Speed, seconded by Cllr. Lightfoot that Council does SUPPORT this application.

Resolved unanimously.

18/1771/LBC - Thatch End, Smallridge, EX13 7LY

Replace lean-to on southern elevation on a like-for-like basis. Guttering & fascias.

Proposed by Cllr. Lightfoot, seconded by Cllr. Speed that Council does SUPPORT this application

subject to guidance and support from EDDC Conservation / Listed Building officers.

Resolved unanimously.

Clerk: Please submit comments to EDDC planning by deadline.

b) To ratify planning applications made previously under delegation authority / policy:

18/1777/FUL - Fourways, Alston, EX13 7LG

Constr. of single storey rear extension.

Council had previously submitted a comment of SUPPORT using delegated powers available.

Proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded by Cllr. Speed that Council ratifies its SUPPORT

for this application. Resolved unanimously.

c) To consider minor amendments. None.

d) To consider Tree Matters. None.

e) Determinations

18/1462/PDQ - Land adjacent to Poppins, Goldsmiths Lane. PRIOR APPROVAL REFUSED

18/1051/OUT - Land at Knights Lane, All Saints. PERMISSION REFUSED

18/1165/FUL - Ash Beacon, Churchill. APPROVED.

** denotes where decision was contrary to Councils views / recommendations.*

f) Enforcement Matters.

- i) Yarde Farm. Yurt construction. Case closed by Enforcement Officer. No action taken.
- ii) Ballards Down. 2 no. cottages under construction. No action taken but DCC HWO monitoring.

g) Planning Correspondence received.

i) To respond to Axminster Masterplan Consultation event:

This matter had been covered earlier in the meeting.

It was agreed that Clerk would forward to members the minutes of the EDDC Strategic

Planning Committee to be held this evening when available as items therein would be of interest.

Clerk: please note and action accordingly when minutes available.

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Financial Matters:

a) To receive financial reports for July and August 2018, these having been published on website previously as per requirements of the Transparency Code Regs.

All financial documents as per agenda previously circulated to members. Noted.

No questions raised.

b) to consider and, if thought fit, approve July and August 2018 accounts for payment.

Council received Summary of Accounts payable for July - £1301.03 & for August - £1325.57

Approval proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded Cllr. Speed. Resolved unanimously.

c) To consider matters of expenditure authorised under Chairman's / Clerk's delegated powers.

As per schedule previously circulated to members within Payments to be approved schedule.

18/58

Business to be conducted:

a) To consider current status of recreation field and amenity.

i) Clerk updated Council as to present status and usage. Noted

ii) Clerk reported that Council was still awaiting written authority from Salisbury Diocese for the NLS equipment to be installed in the locations specified by DAAT.

The planning application had been dealt with under an earlier agenda item this evening.

Arrangements were in hand to re-connect the supply and obtain a certification for the electrical wiring / MCB at the Pavilion to allow the installation to proceed once approved as above.

Clerk: please monitor and chase all parties to bring this matter to a swift conclusion.

iii) After discussion, it was agreed that no bonfire event would be held this year, partly due to the limited time available to make the arrangements and in light of the other works ongoing at the site currently. Arrangements were in hand to demolish the old store hut at the north of the field and remove debris / waste from site. The cricket score hut is to be collected by a resident without charge or cost to the council. Clerk is continuing to deal with minor maintenance tasks under his delegated authority but the Management Committee will need to meet to discuss the long term and major works required to bring the building back into proper and safe use.

Field maintenance continues as per agreement with Axminster Town FC and their youth team.

iv) It was confirmed that all chattels and property belonging to the former tenants had been removed from site, other than the white Escort van & miscellaneous items of cricket equipment in the Pavilion building itself, some of which requires disposal.

The Clerk will attend to the alcohol and beverages left in the bar area and arrange disposal.

Clerk: Please contact the CC representatives and stress the need to remove the van by end of September.

b) To consider installation of emergency telephone at Village Hall adj. to defibrillator.

It was proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded by Chair, that Council proceed with installation at a cost of £48 for the equipment and associated installation charges. This is to be co-ordinated with the installation of the BT phone line as part of the Awards for All Digital Hub project. Resolved unanimously.

Clerk: please note and purchase accordingly and arrange installation when phone line is operational.

c) To consider additional defibrillator / CPR training:

Tim Pedder outlined what equipment / resources he had available.

It was unanimously agreed that Clerk and Mr. Pedder liaise to bring forward proposals for additional training events, and present to Council, with costings, at the next meeting of Council.

Clerk: Please note and action accordingly. Add to NOV agenda.

d) To review and, if thought fit, approve the following draft amended policies:

i) Complaints Policy

ii) Publication Policy

Both documents had previously been circulated to Councillors for perusal and review.

It was proposed by Cllr. Speed, seconded by Chair, that both policies be adopted without further amendment. Resolved unanimously.

Clerk: Please note, amend adoption dates and publish on website as soon as possible.

e) To consider publication of NHP Parish Survey at £400 for 250 copies, funds to be taken ring-fenced NHP expenditure reserves.

It was proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded by Cllr. Lightfoot, that Council approve purchase the copies to be delivered to residents, as part of the Parish Information Booklet to save on delivery charges and stationery costs. Resolved unanimously.

Clerk: Please note and arrange purchase as per quotation received from local printer.

Once received, please arrange for collation and delivery to be effected as swiftly as possible.

(as discussed above under 18/58c, an insert regarding defibrillator use also to be included)

f) To consider Parish Maintenance arrangements and proposed Cllr./Clerk site visits:

It was proposed by Chair, seconded by Cllr. Speed, that Clerk should assume responsibility for arranging parish maintenance via our existing (and any future) contractors.

Chair thanked Cllr. Nixon for all of his work in recent years in this respect but felt that the increased workload was better dealt with by the Council's paid employee.

Resolved unanimously. Clerk: Please note and liaise with Cllr. Nixon to take over role accordingly.

It was further proposed by Cllr. Hubbard, seconded by Cllr. Speed, that Clerk should circulate the template letter supplied by DCC, suitably amended to suit parish circumstances, that reminded landowners of their legal obligations and responsibilities re: hedge, ditch and verge maintenance as a precursor to a discussion later in the year when budgets and precepts were to be considered.

Cllr. Lightfoot stated that he felt opposed to asking all residents to pay, via local precept demand, for services that affect only selected members of the community. Chair thanked Cllr. Lightfoot for his interest in the matter and suggested that all members consider this issue in advance of the financial deliberations later this year.

The proposal was resolved unanimously. Clerk: Please note and circulate accordingly.

Chair added that he and Clerk will undertake a series of site visits across parish in October to assess areas of concern / safety and bring those back to Council for further consideration.

18/59**Highways / CRWS / Footpath Matters:**

Members of the public made representations at the invitation of the Chair regarding the proposal to divert the route of Footpath 34; the diversion order having been made but not yet confirmed. Council had supported the diversion request earlier in the year but, due to the cancellation of the March meeting due to extreme weather, the decision had been made under Council's delegated powers and members of the public wished to convey their concern that the seriousness of the proposals had not been fully appreciated. Council heard statements regarding the proposed route change, circumstances at the site (Yarde Farm) and details of the history of the footpath and its significance in the AONB.

It was subsequently proposed by Cllr. Lightfoot, seconded by Cllr. Speed, that Council convey to Devon County Council its altered view that the diversion order was no longer supported due to new information becoming available but that a proposed alteration to the proposed diversion, which maintained section A>B, & then created a new B>F section, with F>E remaining as proposed, would be supported by Council and the community. Resolved unanimously.

Clerk: Please note and submit a suitably worded statement to that effect by the deadline 12/9/18.

18/60**Correspondence received, not already circulated:**

None received.

18/61**Date and time of next Ordinary meeting:**

Tuesday 6th November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.15pm

Final Public Forum:

Questions regarding Management Committee for the Pavilion & Field, the ongoing situation at Ballards Down and updates re: hedge maintenance and works.

Signed: _____ Chairman

Date: _____

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