

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd July 2015:

The Council met in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. There was an attendance of 7 Parish Councillors.

Apologies: Apologies were received from Mrs. J. Stevens, Devon County Councillor Mr Rufus Gilbert, and District Councillor Mrs J. Pearce.

Open Forum: There were no items for discussion.

County Councillors Report: There was none.

District Councillors Report:

A quick update was given regarding the Dartmouth swimming pool.

The Right to Buy proposals by the Government were discussed and a number of local issues raised. Locality Officers were explained, the first point of contact for SHDC should be the new Customer First route. Finally a quick update was given regarding the sale of the Feoffes cottage in Lower Street.

Declarations of Interest: There were none.

Minutes of the last Meeting: The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed. Copies there of having been given to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

Matters Arising:

Playing Field Works: These are now under way.

Sandbag in Lower Street: This has now been removed.

Village Hall Lease Update: This cannot be changed. The lease is due for renewal in 2018.

Parking in Lower Street: Mrs A. Smith raised concerns about emergency vehicles accessing Longfields due to cars parking incorrectly. The ambulance service had trouble getting to Longfields because of a car parking just past the disabled space. Parking in Longfields is becoming an issue. Our signs do not appear to have any impact. Should we put cones out where parking is an issue and see if this has any effect. We will look into getting some cones and trialling it.

Planning Applications, Decisions and Considerations:

The 106 Agreement for Homefield has not yet been signed, it is awaiting approval from DCC. Mr D. Horton said that DCC had not signed, neither had he. DCH too had not signed. Delays were over the ownership of the footpath, this had now been handed over to DCH some 2 weeks ago. A supplementary agreement for that is to be signed tomorrow, all parties will sign tomorrow to complete the 106. But he would like it clarified that the 106 agreement has not yet been signed. Mrs M. Kitt said that she had been told that a sum of £40,000 had been promised to the Cricket Club, was that correct? The total amount of 106 money is some £73,123. The Chairman advised that there was a sum of money that the Cricket Club could bid for if they so wished, along with other open space activity groups, such as Malborough or KCC. Mr D. Horton said that they as landowners had specified that they would like the 106 money to be allocated to the Parish Council to distribute to the Parish and would have liked have seen some spent on the Village Hall which is a village amenity.

Chairmans Report: The hedge on West Alvington Hill has not yet been cut. It is not in our plan to do so until a review in the Autumn. The gate post in the field is to be repaired. As far as the money for the new play equipment is to be spent, we should set up a sub committee to perhaps discuss this and not leave it entirely to the school as we have raised half the money towards it. Mrs M. Kitt said she would like to see the children involved and let them have a say as to what they

would like. The suggested sub committee members to be Mrs. M. Kitt, Mrs A. Smith, Mrs L. Gritton and Mrs J. Stevens.

Representatives Verbal Reports: The Beating of the Bounds is scheduled for Saturday 11th July at 11.00am to leave from the Village Hall and then return for lunch following the walk. The coffee mornings continue to do well along with the lending library, although we could do with a few new books.

Playing Field Licence with considerations: The license is now up for renewal, should we increase the annual fee? It was proposed by Mr R. Ladkin that we increase the fee to £300 per annum. All were in favour.

Correspondence: Only the above license letter which has now been discussed and sorted.

A.O.B: There were no items for discussion.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.19pm. The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 3rd September 2015 at 7.00pm.

Signed..... Dated.....