



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 8.00 p.m. in Bridgerule Village Hall**

**Present:** Chairman: Cllr. J Medland  
Councillors: Cllrs. K. Elliott, J. McDougall, D.Hale, C Seymour-Smith, S Cholwill, B Beadle, P Haydon.

In Attendance: Parish Clerk.

**1778. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Giles & James  
County Cllr Parsons

**1779. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

**1780. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME**

No members of the public were present.

**1782. POLICE REPORT**

A cat has been shot with an airgun pellet. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Cat in as many years.  
White Mercedes van has been seen stealing scrap metal.

**1783. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

No report.

**1784. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Nor report.

**1785. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Cllr. McDougall proposed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 be approved. Cllr. Seymour-Smith seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 8 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstention).

**1786. MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.



The general standard of the sides of the roads, and the current lack of maintenance.

Broken signs:

Sign by Cllr Seymour-Smith

Bridgerule sign at Bridgemoor Cross

Hopworthy @ Dux Cross

**1792. PARISH HALL**

Main kitchen is well underway, and should be finished within the next couple of weeks.

Grant for defibrillator has been approved by the British Heart Foundation. Cllr Cholwill looking at arranging training, a write up will follow for the Buzz. The defibrillator will be fixed outside the front doors of the hall.

**1792. SOUTHFIELDS OPEN SPACE**

Cllr Medland went and had a look at the space in question, and spoke to residents immediately affected. 3 or 4 people have expressed interest in having allotments. Only handheld machines would fit through the access. Anyone who want the area would have to prepare the ground themselves, but in return will have no ground rent for one year

Clerk to check with planning as to whether change of use is required.

An article to be written for the buzz. The offer is for people to take up the offer of allotments for March only. After the March meeting, the project will be side-lined for the foreseeable future, and not revisited.

**1793. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

**Correspondence 19/01/17 – 14/02/2017**

Received

1. Thomas Carrick – NHW Updates
2. Judith Latcham – Acute Services Review
3. Broxap – Sales
4. Miranda Koster – Business Critical Writing Training
5. Laura Forsey – Torrington Newsletter
6. PCS UK – Defibrillator
7. Public Sector Executive – Updates
8. Tackling Flooding – London Course
9. Emma Walker – Weekly List
10. Play Safety – RoSPA Inspection Notification
11. Nursing & Medical Magazine – New Issue
12. Cllr Seymour Smith – Sports Lottery Info
13. Communications – Newsletter
14. Devon Communities Together – Roadshow Events
15. Cllr McDougall - Minutes
16. Planning Support – Decision Notification
17. Komplan – Sales email
18. Graham Jones – Sports Facilities Questionnaire
19. Planning Support – Appeal Letter
20. Jamie Hollis – Council Code of Conduct
21. Alison Marshall – Audit Services
22. Harry Roper – Council Vote on Recycling Services
23. Westminster Briefing- Women in Local Government
24. Healthwatch Devon – Monthly E Bulletin

25. Harry Roper – Industrial Strategy
26. Isaac Butterfield-Kendall – Upcoming DCT Surgeries
27. Elaine Lester – Community EP Newsletter
28. James Jenkinson – Pitworthy Solar Farm
29. Martin Prentice – Tap Fund
30. Rebecca Smith – Final Recommendations Electoral Review

Sent

1. All Cllrs – Forwarded Emails
2. Torridge – Planning Responses
3. All Cllrs – Minutes & Agendas
4. Cllr Seymour Smith – Minutes for website
5. Cllr Medland – General Correspondence
6. Cllr McDougall – Minutes and Planning
7. Mike Norton – Precept Information.
8. Jamie Hollis – Code of Conduct
9. Highways – Road Issues

**1794. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

No Report.

**1795. CLERK’S REPORT**

The Standards Committee want to hold copies of all council’s codes of conduct. Clerk to check and amend as necessary before sending.

**1796. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

None

**1797. CLOSE**

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 20.35

Signature..... Date.....