



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30p.m in Bridgerule Village Hall**

**Present:** Vice - Chairman: Cllr. K James  
Councillors: Cllrs. J McDougall, K Elliott, B Beadle, C Seymour-Smith, S Cholwill.

In Attendance: Parish Clerk.

**1978. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Medland, Giles, Haydon and Hale. County Cllr Parsons

**1979. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

**1980. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME**

No questions.

**1981. POLICE REPORT**

**Holsworthy Rural Policing Update: December 2017**

The following incidents have occurred:

**St Giles On the Heath** – Theft of Bird cages

**Anvil Corner** – Theft of 8 Batteries

**Cookbury** – Dwelling Burglary

**Holsworthy Beacon** – Theft of Car Key

**Ashwater** – Theft from a motor vehicle  
Criminal Damage to property

It is apparent that there are a lot of opportunistic thefts occurring in the local area. Please make sure that any valuable items are kept in a safe and secure location and report any suspicious activity that you may see. Intelligence like this could prevent crimes from happening in the future.

Also, please make sure if you are leaving your premises for long periods, to ask a friend or neighbour to look in and check on your property, they could even park their car on the drive. You can also put lights on times and leave a radio on. These simple deterrent techniques could put any possible burglars off from targeting your home.

Your local officers offer a FREE property marking service, where they can engrave items with a unique reference to make your items identifiable. They can also use UV marking kits to make electrical items. We also have access to kits that can mark up to 50 items of property for a small cost available via DACWAA. If this is something that you would be interested in, then please contact PCSO Emma TOMKIES

## **ASK Ned**

Do you have issues with parking? Noisy Neighbours? Concerned with an animal's welfare? Not sure who to contact... Then AskNED – the non-emergency directory.

Devon and Cornwall Police have launched a new online directory - **dc.police.uk/AskNED** to help the public find out who to contact when they have a problem.

Whether its help and advice for civil disputes, personal issues, or needing to report lost and found property, AskNED will provide the information about who can help.

The online service is quick and easy to use, just visit [www.dc-police.uk/AskNED](http://www.dc-police.uk/AskNED) to give it a try...

Simply enter your question at **dc.police.uk/AskNED**, select your location and AskNED will provide the answer.

AskNED is such a useful resource for people living in Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly as it has a vast array of information, providing answers to some of the most commonly asked questions, as well as the obscure questions, we are asked as a police force.

The online database draws together all help and support information available to people from the public sector organisation and charities in one place, making it an essential website to visit.  
Ask your question at **dc.police.uk/AskNED**

### **1982. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

No report

### **1983. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Regarding Holsworthy Hospital, Dr Wolsley had a meeting in Bideford. Of 6 Categories in the report on ND Hospital, 5 were very bad. The hospital is in a mess and needs sorting or it will be threatened with closure. The Hospital is dirty. The meeting talked about hospital beds and suggested that there will be no beds in Holsworthy and care for elderly will be with relatives. It was pointed out that it would not be practical or achievable for many. It is however not looking hopeful for the reopening of beds at Holsworthy.

Cllr James has contacted Cllr Parsons and Skanska regarding the road closure, highlighting the situation Bridgerule will be forced to deal with.

Fortnightly rubbish collections are likely to start mid-year.

There will be charges coming in for wheelie recycling bins.

New rules are coming in regarding fly tipping and dog fouling. £400 fine for anyone caught fly tipping with a van, and the vehicle can be seized.

### **1984. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Cllr. Beadle proposed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017 be approved. Cllr. McDougall seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 6 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstention).

### **1985. MATTERS ARISING**

1970 Plans still haven't gone in.

### **1986. ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT**



The hall is going to purchase crockery for the meeting room. A donation has been received by the Revel Committee from the Lions. Bridgerule Council will also support this and pay the difference. To order in council name and send payment for the funded amount.

Also considering whether it should be looked at to offer transport to isolated individuals to the coffee mornings.

**1991. HIGHWAYS**

Potholes at Littlebridge, Holladon, Church Town Hill, Hopworthy (before the Bridge), Old Reservoir, Newacott Cross, Underlane, Burnards House, Hilsborough Cross.  
Dux Cross – Road Subsidence.

**1992. PARISH HALL.**

The plans have been passed for the roof replacement.  
Thanks to the parish council for the grant received.  
Hall has bookings every evening.

**1993. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk highlighted the letter regarding Bridgerule Church and the training offered by Ashwater Parish Council.

**Correspondence 21/12/17 – 17/01/18**

Received

1. Sue Pennington – Weekly List
2. Planning Support – Consultation Request
3. David Braziel – NHW Update
4. Cllr James – Crockery
5. Cllr Cholwill – Village Hall
6. Graham Kingdon – Torridge Adverts
7. Planning Support – Decision Notification
8. Emma Tomkies – January Policing Report
9. Jessica Newton – NDHCT CQC Inspection
10. Elections – Update on electoral register
11. Laura Forsey – Torridge Adverts
12. Jasmine Jones – Devon Funding Updates
13. Alan Atkinson – Bridgerule Church
14. Jessica Dufty – Grant Thornton Admin
15. Cllr Seymour-Smith – Website
16. Cllr Cholwill – Bridgerule Church
17. Cllr McDougall – Minutes
18. Cllr Haydon – Apologies
19. Darren Bird – Weekly List
20. Ashwater Parish Council – Training

Sent

1. All Cllrs – Forwarded Emails
2. All Cllrs – Minutes & Agendas
3. Cllr Seymour Smith – Minutes & documents for website
4. Cllr Medland – General Correspondence
5. Cllr McDougall – Minutes
6. Highways – Road Issues
7. Cllr Parsons – Agendas and general correspondence
8. Planning Support – Date Requests and Feedback
9. Mr Harris – Alan Atkinson correspondence

**1994. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

No report.

**1995. CLERK'S REPORT**

Items covered elsewhere on the agenda. The clerk is attending a free Transparency Code training at the end of January.

**1996. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

Could it be revisited to look at doing a footpath, and a cycle path would be a great asset to the community. Cllr Beadle will investigate further.

**1997. CLOSE**

There being no further items of business the Vice - Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 20.40.

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