



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 18th September, 2015 at 8.00 p.m. in
Bridgerule Village Hall**

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

In Attendance: Parish Clerk. 14 Members of the public. Mr Jeremy Bladon

1473. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr S Cholwill, Cllr B Parsons

1474. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

1475. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME

A member of the public raised concern over the overgrown hedge on the footpath by the bus shelter.
Clerk to report to DCC.

**1476. PRESENTATION TO MEETING OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT SCHEME AT THE LAND
ADJACENT TO SOUTHFIELDS BY MR J BLADON.**

Mr Bladon has been engaged by the daughters of Mr Rowland to look at the development scheme on the land adjacent to Southfields, which has been earmarked for development on the local plan. Mr Bladon's client has asked that a pre-application enquiry is carried out, looking at local viewpoints on the proposal in principle, and how the land should be developed, i.e. affordable housing. When full planning is submitted, copies of plans would be sent to immediate neighbours, and it would be approximately 3 years before the houses are built.

The development will not be flats. The suggestion so far is that small family housing would be the most suitable, with no more than 10 houses on the site. 3 of those houses would be affordable and run by a local housing association and rented to local people.

Members of the public expressed concern over the point of building any more houses at all, and that the land in question floods, and the access lane is already congested with traffic.

Mr Bladon informed the meeting that access has indeed been looked into, and the hedge bank would be moved back to create a wider access. The speed limit zone would also be moved back to incorporate the new access.

If the existing drainage is not sufficient then this would have to be upgraded as part of the development. The current policy is to put affordable house on the site, and a legal agreement normally states that private houses cannot be occupied until affordable housing is completed and occupied.

1477. POLICE REPORT

Nothing to report

1478. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Nothing to report

1479. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Nothing to report

1480. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Cllr. James proposed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 19th August, and the minutes of the planning meeting held on 9th September 2015 be approved. Cllr. Elliott seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 9 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

1481. MATTERS ARISING

Cllr McDougall reported that Mr Hilleard is cutting the hedges that needed attention.

1482. ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT

BRIDGERULE PARISH COUNCIL - INVOICES PAID IN AUGUST 2015						
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COUNCIL EXPENDITURE						-
Date	Pay To	Voucher	Gross	Net	VAT	Reason
16.09.15	R Perry	604	£181.81	£181.81	£0.00	Wages
16.09.15	Grant Thornton	605	£30.00	£25.00	£5.00	Audit Fee
16.09.15	B Beadle	606	£230.00	£230.00	£0.00	Grass Cutting July/Aug
16.09.15	R Perry	607	£16.00	£16.00	£0.00	Office Supplies
16.09.15	Wickstead Playgrounds	608	£117.62	£96.02	£19.80	Equipment Repair
TOTAL			£575.43	£548.83	£24.80	
Bank Accounts						
<u>Current Account</u>				<u>Reserve Account</u>		
Balance at 1st August		£4,289.64			£7,315.10	Balance at 19th May
		£4,289.64			£0.26	interest June
					£0.40	interest July
					£15,000.00	Suned
Balance at 1st September 2015		£2,087.64			£7,315.76	Balance at 19 th August
Playing Field Project Bonus Saver Account						
At 30th May 2015		£5,061.95				
interest June		£0.18				
interest July		£0.17				
Balance at 31st July 2015		£5,062.30				

Cllr. James proposed the accounts be approved for payment. Cllr.Haydon seconded the proposal which was carried unanimously. (Vote 9 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

1483. PLAYING FIELD PROJECT UPDATE

Infill is being done. Cllr James to start the ball rolling for change of ownership.

1484. PLANNING

1/0563/2015/FUL Relocation of a Football Pitch

The council fully support the application.

All Councillors declared a personal interest in the proposal.

Cllr Hale declared a personal and pecuniary interest and abstained from the discussion.

- 1485. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM BRIDGERULE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**
£600
Proposed by Cllr James, Seconded by Cllr Haydon
 (Vote 9 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions)
- 1486. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM BRIDGERULE VILLAGE HALL LTD**
£1200
Proposed by Cllr James, Seconded by Cllr Elliott
 (Vote 7 For. 0 Against. 2 Abstentions)
 Cllrs McDougall and Seymour Smith declared an interest and abstained from the vote.
- 1487. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM FRIENDS OF BRIDGERULE SCHOOL**
£375
Proposed by Cllr Haydon, Seconded by Cllr Elliott
 (Vote 9 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions)
- 1488. PLANNING UPDATE**
Playing Field Extension – Granted
Holladon Wind Turbine - Granted
- 1489. HIGHWAYS**
 Little Bridge Hill – Potholes
 Little Bridge Meadows – Light staying on, on the cut through.
 Bank at Short and Abbott – Collapsed
 Dux Lane – Unsuitable for vehicles
- 1490. PARISH HALL**
 Building will start 28th September.
 Cllr Seymour Smith thanked the council on behalf of the hall committee for the grant agreed above.
- 1491. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**
The clerk highlighted the road warden scheme – cutting of verges.

Correspondence 19/08/15 – 15/09/15

Received

1. Thomas Carrick NHW Update (4)
2. Public Sector Executive – Newsletter (8)
3. Gary Abbott – Playground Equipment
4. Minerals Planning – Newsletter (1)
5. Jennifer Wellington – Recycle Devon Newsletter
6. Planning Support – Planning Consultation
7. Cllr Medland – Planning (3)
8. Angela Jenkinson – Devon Home Choice Newsletter
9. Cllr McDougall – Planning & Playground (4)
10. Emma Tomlinson – Weekly List (2)
11. Devon Communities Together – Newsletter (2)
12. Healthwatch Devon – E Bulletin
13. Sue Priest – Electoral Roll Updates
14. Cllr McDougall – Salt Spreader
15. Alethea Porteza – Devon Home Choice Newsletter (2)
16. Cllr Seymour Smith – Planning & Minutes
17. Cllr Cholwill – Hall & Parking (3)
18. Roads & Transport – Neighbourhood Highway Group Update
19. Jane Woodward – Planning
20. Peter Soper – TAP Fund

21. Planning Support – Decision Notification
22. Sue Pennington – Weekly List (2)
23. Graham Cornish – Ruby Way
24. Joanna Laurenson – Solar Farm
25. Chris Parkhouse – Gambling Act
26. Devon Highways – Conference
27. Customer Service Centre – Grass Cutting
28. Jeremy Bladon – Meeting

Sent

1. All Cllrs – Emails, planning,
2. PCSO James – Agenda
3. Cllr Parsons – Agenda and Dates for all meetings
4. Jeremy Bladon - Agenda
5. Torrridge – Planning Response
6. Torrridge – Grass Cutting Queries
7. Launceston College – Parking
8. Parishoner – Parking Letter

1492. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

The chairman brought up an issue of dog mess in certain areas of the village, which has been brought to his attention by a parishioner. Cllr Beadle will talk to the possible offender, and the clerk to notify the dog warden.

1493. CLERK’S REPORT

Sam Sharp is no longer the Snow Warden – Can this go in the Buzz again to notify the parish not to call him.

1494. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Vodafone Project is complete, press release will be issued.

1495. CLOSE

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.

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