



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 19th April 2017 at 8.00 p.m. in Bridgerule Village Hall

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

In Attendance: Parish Clerk. One member of Public.

1818. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Cholwill, Giles and Seymour-Smith
County Cllr Parsons

1819. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

1820. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME

Julia Foster spoke to the meeting representing Holsworthy Community Transport.

There are registered users in the parish for the ring and ride service. It is a door to door service. The only criteria you need to use the service is that you have no access to transport during the day. Age is of no significance.

Areas serviced include Bude, Holsworthy, Okehampton and Truro for shopping, and also places of interest like Falmouth and Dartmoor.

Prices are from £4.50.

Cllr McDougall suggested it may be beneficial for all potential users if a timetable was published in the local paper.

Another service offered is the Volunteer Car Service. The cost for this service is 45p per mile, payable to the driver for fuel.

Mini buses are available to hire at weekends for community groups.

The most recently launched service is the Holsworthy town shuttle. This is a regular bus service. The cost is £1 per journey, and it is a public service.

The Office is manned 10am – 1pm for any queries and bookings.

1821. POLICE REPORT

Nothing reported in Bridgerule

1822. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

No report.

1823. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Those representing Torridge met with the Healthcare Trust to get a sense of what is going on with Holsworthy Hospital. The criteria to reopen hospital beds is there, but there has to be significant need, so 16 people needing beds at Holsworthy, at which point it would take 3-4 months to reopen the beds, by which time those patients requiring them would likely not be in need. No homecare is available. Discussion need to happen to get further answers, and another meeting with the trust is scheduled for next week.

A lot of abuse is being directed at TDC for talking with the trust, but with the meeting in Holsworthy being so hostile, someone needs to be in contact to get the information to try and find a way forward.

The Local Plan is hoping to be in place for the end of this year. Weight still can't be given to the new plan at this stage.

1829. HIGHWAYS

Potholes at:
Churchtown and Scotland
Woody Park Hill
Littlebridge
Holladon Farm
Short & Abbott
Narracott

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

Road by Highlands

1830. PARISH HALL

No report.

1831. BRIDGERULE TAPESTRY DONATION

A tapestry on Bridgerule has been donated to the village, it needs framing at a cost of £270. Councillors viewed the tapestry in question and agreed a £90 donation towards costs. Proposed Cllr MCDougall, Seconded Cllr James. Vote Unanimous.

1832. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence 15/03/17 – 18/04/17

Received

1. Thomas Carrick – NHW Updates
2. Public Sector Executive – Updates and Newsletters
3. Graham Kingdon – Torridge Adverts
4. Grant Thornton – Audit Packs
5. Daniel Evans – London Flood Conference
6. Cllr McDougall – Minutes
7. Cllr Parsons – Agenda
8. Sue Pennington – Weekly List
9. Earth Anchors- Park Notice Boards
10. Elaine Lester – Community Emergency Planning Newsletter
11. Nicola Pearce – Avian Flu
12. Cllr James – Pitworthy Solar Farm
13. James Jenkinson – Pitworthy Solar Farm
14. Planning Support – Consultation Request
15. Cllr Beadle – Grass Cutting
16. Cllr Beadle – Village Tapestry
17. Jo Farr – Grant Thornton – Limited Assurance
18. Broxap – E Sales
19. Cllr Seymour-Smith – Minutes
20. DCC – Elections
21. Nigel Parke – Trafex

Sent

1. All Cllrs – Forwarded Emails
2. All Cllrs – Minutes & Agendas
3. James Jenkinson – Pitworthy
4. Cllr Seymour Smith – Minutes for website
5. Cllr Medland – General Correspondence
6. Cllr McDougall – Minutes and Planning.
7. Highways – Road Issues

1833. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

It has been suggested a plaque be put on the bus shelter in memory of Malcolm Fraser.

1834. CLERK’S REPORT

No report.

1835. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

NHW. Thomas Carrick extends his thanks for a good meeting in the parish.
The June meeting is a week early, on 14th June 2016. Cllr James will chair in absence of the Chairman.

1836. CLOSE

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 20.59

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