



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

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

In Attendance: Parish Clerk. County Cllr Parsons. 13 Members of the public.

1884. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No Apologies

1885. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

1886. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME

Members of the public raised concerns over the proposed planning at the land adjacent to Canal Rise. The main concern is the risk of flooding caused by the site. Developing the site will increase run off, and the land drains that are already on the site will be destroyed in the development. All run off from the proposed new development will go straight into Southfields.

The road is not big enough to allow for the increase in traffic. The existing surface of the road is already in a bad state.

BT Open Reach have vans parked on the pavement and at the end of the road which cause obstructions because of the exchange in the site vicinity.

Drains have to be cleared by residents to prevent flooding now.

The development will overlook existing properties.

1887. POLICE REPORT

Nothing reported in Bridgerule.

1888. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

A stakeholder Group has been set up regarding the Hospital. There is a meeting tomorrow. There is representation from DCC, Torridge, Rotary Club, Town Council and the Lions. The group is fighting to get the beds reopened.

There are lots of changes at DCC, with a focus on what matters to communities. The use of technology is key, there will be a need for community support to reach those isolated and increase the technology available.

1889. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr James attended a meeting about Drug Misuse, and people have been asked to keep an eye out for youngsters looking out of place, as it is common for these youngsters to get sent to the area by dealers up country.

There is a good possibility that beds will reopen as there is no end of life care provision in the area.

The local plan will hopefully be ready in September.

Torridge had to produce a 5year plan on housing.

The land in planning application 0624 was included in the land bank (half the field).

Cllr James new remit includes Fly Tipping.

1890. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Cllr. James proposed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 15th June, 2017 be approved. Cllr. Elliott seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 10 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstention).

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Cllrs Beadle and Giles declared an interest as neighbours and abstained from discussions and vote.

The council don't support the application.

(Vote 0 For. 8 Against. 2 Abstentions).

1895. HIGHWAYS

Potholes at:

Holladon Farm

Southlands

Littlebridge Hill

Jewells Cross

Broken and Missing signs:

Dux Cross

Furze Cross and opposite the chapel

Bridgerule sign at Bridgemoor Cross

Hopworthy @ Dux Cross

Bridge Inn

Culvert at Short and Abbott.

1896. PARISH HALL

The back store cupboard is next to be refurbished.

1897. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence 15/06/17 – 18/07/17

Received

1. Laura Forsey – Torridge Adverts
2. Planning Support – Notification Queries
3. Edward Worsdell – Grant Thornton Audit
4. Planning Support – Updates
5. Public Sector Executive – Newsletters
6. Emma Walker – Weekly List
7. Cllr Medland – General Correspondence
8. Cllr McDougall – Minutes
9. Della Jeffrey – CHSW Open Gardens
10. Earth Anchors – E Sales
11. Overton – Brochure
12. Broxap – E Sales
13. Playforce- e Sales
14. Barry Parsons – Update
15. DALC – Annual Report
16. Healthwatch – Newsletter
17. David Braziel – NHW Update
18. Toby Harris – Website Package

Sent

1. All Cllrs – Forwarded Emails
2. All Cllrs – Minutes & Agendas
3. Cllr Seymour Smith – Minutes for website
4. Cllr Medland – General Correspondence
5. Cllr McDougall – Minutes
6. Highways – Road Issues
7. Edward Worsdell - Audit

- 8. Jo Farr – Audit
- 9. Cllr Parsons – Agendas and general correspondence
- 10. Planning Support – notification query

1898. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Check with enforcement officer regarding the building in the forest.

1899. CLERK’S REPORT

All queries to Grant Thornton have been answered.
Monies from Pitworthy should come through in the next month.

1900. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Play equipment – New equipment has been ordered.
Thanks to the chairman for cutting for visibility around all the junctions.
Furze Cross – lorries with stone going to Bradford, putting in a new access road so access to the solar park is separate from the farm.
Bouncy Castle – Letter of consent needed to site on hall grounds for the Revel. Proposed the clerk write and sign agreement on behalf of the council by Cllr James, Seconded Cllr Medland. Vote Unanimous.
Clerk to email to Cllr Cholwill.

1901. CLOSE

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 21.15

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