



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 8.00 p.m. in Bridgerule Village Hall**

**Present:** Chairman: Cllr. K. James  
Councillors: Cllrs. C. Seymour-Smith, P. Haydon, S. Cholwill, K. Elliott, J. McDougall and J. Medland, J. Giles.

In Attendance: Parish Clerk  
Members of the Public

**1221. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

PCSO Mark James, Cllr A Johnston

**1222. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose.

**1223. PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME**

Barry Williams requested to know what planning permission would be required for a canopy adjoining the house. The canopy was deemed to be in permitted development rights, and planning permission would not be needed.

**1224. POLICE REPORT**

PCSO James had sent apologies. A report was not available.

**1225. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Cllr. James proposed the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 be approved. Cllr. McDougall seconded the proposal which was carried. (Vote 8 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstention).

**1226. MATTERS ARISING**

Item 1214 – Damage to 'Bridge outside Short & Abbott' When the damage was originally reported to DCC, the wrong location was given and DCC refused any liability as grass is not cut at the main bridge. The damage was re reported to DCC with the correct location by the previous PC.

Item 1214 – Overhanging Hedge on the 'Robin Hill' Boundary. Cllr. McDougall spoke with the property owner Mr Chilton. Barry Lucas will be asked to trim the hedge and roadside trees.

Councillor Abbott – Resignation Cllr. Abbott tendered his resignation with the PC. The resignation was accepted with regret by the council and Cllr James. The PC was asked to send a letter thanking Mr Abbott for his long service. It was proposed by Cllr Elliott that the council would continue to employ the services of Short & Abbott for grass cutting and maintenance of the play equipment. This was seconded by Cllr Seymour-Smith.

**1227. ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT**

<b>BRIDGERULE PARISH COUNCIL - INVOICES PAID IN JULY 2014</b>						
<b>COUNCIL EXPENDITURE</b>						
Date	Pay To	Voucher	Gross	Net	VAT	Reason
20.08.14	R Perry	563	£160.00			Salary August
20.07.14	Cash	564	£30.00			Petty Cash
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£190.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	
<b>Bank Accounts</b>						
<u>Current Account</u>					<u>Reserve Account</u>	
Balance at 1st July		£3,116.74			£7,311.82	Balance at 19th January 2014
					£0.62	Interest June
			£3,116.74			
		555	£348.17			
		561	£156.43			
		560	£143.04			
		559	£120.00			
<b>Balance at 31 July</b>			<b>£2,349.10</b>		<b>£7,312.44</b>	Balance at 18th July
<b>Playing Field Project Bonus Saver Account</b>						
At 19 December 2013			£5,028.96			
Quarterly bonus March 2014			£9.92			
Interest March 2014			£0.50			
<b>Balance at 30 April 2014</b>			<b>£5,039.38</b>			

Cllr. James proposed the accounts be approved for payment. Cllr. Medland seconded the proposal which was carried unanimously. (Vote 8 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

**1228. RATIFYING THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDING ORDERS AS PRESCRIBED BY NALC AS PRESENTED AT THE JULY MEETING.**

Proposed by Cllr. Medland. Proposal Seconded by Cllr Elliott

**1229. RATIFYING THE ADOPTION OF THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AS PRESCRIBED BY NALC, AS PRESENTED AT THE JULY MEETING**

Proposed by Cllr. Medland. Proposal Seconded by Cllr Elliott

**1229. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

No report.

**1230. PLANNING Applications**

1/0552/2014/FUL      Erection of a Conservatory to Front Elevation  
Villa Lodge, Bridgerule, Holsworthy, EX19 7ET

Interest:                      None

Observations:              After discussion, Cllr. James proposed that TDC be informed that Bridgerule Parish Council has no objections to the application. Cllr. Medland seconded the

proposal which was carried unanimously. (Vote 8 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions)

**1231. HIGHWAYS**

Nothing to report

**1232. PARISH HALL**

Cllr. Seymour-Smith informed the Meeting that work on the entrance was coming on well, and the meeting room would be ready for use in September. The hall committee had secured a grant to help put up the chair store.

**1233. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

**Correspondence Received 16<sup>th</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> August**

1. Environment Agency – embankment work (**see Sent Item 4**)
2. Environment Agency further correspondence
3. Rural Services – Spotlight on rural health (circulated to cllrs with internet access)
4. Environment agency – confirmation of delaying survey work by a week
5. **G.Abbott/K.James various emails in response to the PCs information (sent items 6) regarding ensuring works carried out/invoiced has been ratified by the full council including pecuniary interests of cllrs.**
6. Rural Services – weekly newsletter (circulated to all councillors with internet access)
7. Mott McDonald – planned work on behalf of the environment agency (circulated to cllrs with internet access)
  
8. **Susan Squire @ Torridge – Torridge Memorial for those killed in WW1**
9. **Cllr Abbott – resignation**
10. **Barnstaple Town Council – Environment school**
11. **DALC – AGM and conference**
12. Devon Choice Newsletter – (circulated to Cllrs email)
13. **Malcolm Harris – Town & parish fund (sent to Chairman)**
14. DHC Newsletter (circulated to Cllrs email)
15. Susan Squire – Progress update on Connecting Devon & Somerset Broadband ( circulated to Cllrs email)
16. DALC August Newsletter (circulated to cllrs via email)
17. TDC Weekly Planning list
18. RSN Newsletter (circulated to Cllrs email)
19. TDC Weekly Planning list
20. Becky King – WW1 Centenary Commemoration
21. DHC Newsletter (circulated to Cllrs email)
22. NDCP - Your rivers your views (circulated to Cllrs email)
23. **D & C police – War Memorial protection**
24. TDC Weekly Planning list
25. DHC Newsletter (circulated to cllrs via email)

**Correspondence Sent - 16<sup>th</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> August**

1. DCC Highways – reporting sign at ‘Roly Poly’ missing
2. DCC Highways – reporting damage to ‘bridge’ by Short & Abbott
3. M. Crocker TDC – dog bin/waste Jewells X to Littlebridge
4. Environment Agency – asking for work to be delayed (**see Received Item 1**)
5. Environment Agency – (from Cllr Cholwill) detailed info re request for delay
6. **All Cllrs. various emails regarding ensuring work carried out/invoiced has been ratified by Full Council, including pecuniary interests of Cllrs and responses to Cllr. James emails.**
  
7. Paula Hunter – Cllr resignation
8. All Councillors – Various emails regarding newsletters/general information received.  
There were no highlighted items, as the majority of correspondence had already been circulated for Cllrs’ information.

**1234. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported that he was looking at the TAP Fund application and liaising with Malcolm Harris. The Grant from the Council to the Hall for Entertainments was also discussed with the possibility of more bowling equipment being required.

**1235. CLERK'S REPORT**

The PC informed the council of a Clerks Course taking place in September that she would like to attend. It was proposed by Cllr James, and seconded by Cllr Medland that the council would pay the course fee.

**1236. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

Cllr Seymour Smith informed the council that the new post office would be opening on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014, and thereafter on a Monday afternoon and a Wednesday Morning

**1237. CLOSE**

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

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