

Bridgerule Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 21st January, 2009 at 8:00pm in
Bridgerule Village Hall**

Present:

Chairman: Cllr. K. James
Councillors: Cllrs G. Cooper, G. Abbot, J.Stoneman and C. Seymour-Smith

In Attendance : Parish Clerk

Member of the Public: Mr. J. MacDougall (Neighbourhood Watch)

53. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs. Chilton, Giles and Davey sent their apologies

54. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chairman requested that interests be declared as matters arose

55. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr. McDougall was present.

56. POLICE REPORT

PCSO Beverley Harvey was not in attendance and therefore there was no Police Report.

57. ADOPTION AND SIGNING OF THE MINUTES OF 17TH DECEMBER, 2008

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th December, 2008 were recommended for approval by the Chairman. Cllr. Abbott seconded the recommendation and this was unanimously agreed. (Vote 5. For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

58. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

59. ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT

Councillors agreed the following payments should be made:

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COUNCIL EXPENDITURE

Date	Pay To	Voucher	Gross	Net	VAT	Reason
21.01.09	M. Fenner	385	£640.20	£640.20		Salary Sept - Dec 08
21.01.09	Peter Peter & Wright	386	£690.00	£600.00	£90.00	Legal Services May 2000-Dec 2008
21.09.08	C. Neep	387	£75.00	£75.00		Parish Plan - leaflets Revel Week
	TOTAL		£1,405.20	£1,405.20	£90.00	

COUNCIL RECEIPTS

Date	Paid By	Gross	Net	Reason
08.01.09	HM Revenue& Customs	£1,794.36	£1,794.36	VAT repayment
	TOTAL	£1,794.36	£1,794.36	

60. PLANNING

The following applications and permissions were received in January, 2009.

Cllr. James proposed the applications be approved and Cllr. Abbott seconded this. The proposal was unanimously carried. (Vote 5 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

Applications

1/1245/2008/FUL Rebuild existing garage
The Briars
Merrifield
EX22 7EB

Interest Declared: *None*

Recommendation: *Recommended for approval*

1/0021/2009/FUL Proposed Dwelling – Amended Description
Land adjacent
Brugia
Bridgerule

Interest Declared: *None*

Recommendation: *Recommended for approval*

Permissions

1/0404/2008/FUL Erection of Dwelling
Plot 3
Canal Rise
Bridgerule

61. HIGHWAYS

Cllr. James read out a letter received from Mr. Sorenson, DCC Highway Development Control Officer, regarding Littlebridge Meadows. This was in reply to a letter sent by the Council on 25th November, 2008. Cllr. James said some confusion had arisen and the Council requested the Clerk to write again to Mr. Sorenson, requesting that, since Mr. McIntosh had now completed surfacing work up to Top Finish, Section 38 (adoption of road) be granted as soon as possible. (A copy of this letter to be sent to Mr. McIntosh).

Cllr. James then read out a letter received from Mr. Bill Banting, DCC Area North Highway Management. The contents were noted and agreed by the Members of the Council.

The Clerk read out a letter received from John Bonser DCC Highways' Management, requesting a form be completed regarding information to be placed on a new Bus Stop Database being implemented. Councillors provided the Clerk with the information to enable her to complete and return this form.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that she had received a 'phone call from Mr. Banting informing the Council that he would be pleased to meet with Cllrs. the week beginning 9th February, 2009. The Clerk will contact Mr. Banting with Cllr. Stoneman's e-mail/'phone number to enable them to liaise direct.

62. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence Received December 08 – January 09

1. TDC – Councillors allowances (e-mailed to cllrs)
2. Unitary proposals for Devon – an imposition (I have e-mail asking for more copies)
3. DCC Dec Newsletter
4. B. Pedrick – Highways Meeting **
5. Communities and Local Government – code of recommended practice on local authority publicity – a consultation

6. TDC – Vacancies Council posters and letter
7. DAPC Newsletter
8. Highways e-mail – Bus Stop Update **
9. HM Revenue & Customs – claim being processed.
10. Bill Banting – DCC Highways – re signing on bridge and speed limit **
11. Clerks and Councils Direct – January issue
12. DAPC – Two vacancies on DAPC County Committee
13. TDC – Holsworthy Area Advisory Group Agenda 19th January (Agenda e-mailed to Cllrs 14.1.09)

** To be discussed under Highways

Correspondence Sent December – January 09

1. Audit Commission – enclosing cheque
2. PPW – request for update invoice and confirming no further work on boundary registration
3. B. Pedrick – highways mtg

The Clerk drew Cllrs. attention to the highlighted items.

63. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr. James reported that he had attended a meeting of the Holsworthy Area Advisory Group and informed the Meeting that the Square in Holsworthy would be resurfaced April/May; a disabled parking bay was now situated outside the NatWest Bank in the Square and that at the moment there appeared to be no applicants for the proposed Travellers' Site in Derriton.

He also reported that Mr. Orchard had spoken to him regarding the cottages near the Post Office and that Mrs. Maria Bailey, TDC's Community Development Officer, would be visiting Mr. Orchard to discuss this matter.

64. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported as follows:

She had again spoken to NatWest Bank regarding the Bank Mandate, which had still not been implemented by the Bank. Due to conflicting information provided by Mrs. Packer, former Clerk, the Bank suggested, to make matters less complicated, only four Councillors should be signatories for cheques. Cllr. James proposed that as the Bank already has the ID's of Cllrs. James, Abbott, Stoneman and Chilton, the Bank Mandate should be completed to reflect this. Cllr. Stoneman seconded the proposal and this was agreed. (Vote 5 For. 0 Against. 0 Abstentions).

65. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Cllr. Abbott gave the Meeting an update on the work being carried out on the Village Hall parking area. It is likely that more materials than originally envisaged would be required. After discussion, Cllr. James said it was possible he would be able to provide some funding from his District Councillor's allowance.

66. DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 18th February, 2008 at 8.00 p.m.

67. CLOSE

There being no further items of business the Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9.10p.m.

Signature

Date