

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING  
OF  
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL  
Drewsteignton Village Hall  
On  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2010

Present: Cllrs Savage ( Chairman), Mudge ( Vice Chairman), Dyke, Hester, Power, Gosnay, Hardie and the Clerk

Apologies: Cllr Chadney

In attendance: 1 member of the public and P C Duncan Russell

**130.10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

ACTION

Cllr Mudge proposed and Cllr Gosnay seconded the minutes of the meeting of the 21 July 2010 after they were amended to reflect that Cllr Savage gave a report on the Eastern Links Meeting.

**131.10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Chairman reminded the Cllrs present of the need to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in respect of any items included on the Agenda. Cllr Savage declared a personal interest in the planning application at the Drewe Arms as he works for them.

**132.10 MATTERS ARISING**

Duncan Russell the Road Casualty Reduction Officer for Devon and Cornwall Constabulary attended the meeting and explained the SCARF procedures to the Councillors (Speed Compliance and Review Forum a partnership scheme with the police and Devon County Council). He mentioned the Community Speed Watch Initiative which was launched earlier in the year, which involves local community members recording speeds for a report to be compiled and passed to the Police. He mentioned there would be periodic attention by the Neighbourhood Beat Manager to enforcement in Whiddon Down and Crockernwell, but traffic management measures were unlikely as the Villages were on the diversion route to the A30. Councillors drew comparison to Sticklepath and Tedburn St Mary which had such measures and they were on the divert route and as far as Venton A382 and Harepath C50 were concerned there was unlikely to be any attention paid by Traffic Patrols because of the lack of collision statistics. Material Planning considerations had been received from DNPA with not response as yet from WDBC.

No response has yet been received from EDF re cost of electric re Church light.

**133.10 HIGHWAYS**

All Cllrs

Mrs Cox has written to the Clerk in respect of Ragwort outside the Village Hall. This had already been reported to the Highways Department and dealt with.

Annual Footpath Inspections were discussed and it was agreed that the following Councillors would walk the following paths for a report to be given at the October meeting;

Cllr Chadney 2,3 and 4

Cllr Mudge 1 and 6

Cllr Hardie 13 and 14

Cllr Dyke 16 and 17

Cllr Savage 10,11 and 12

Cllr Power 5, 21 and 25

Cllr Gosnay 20 and 19

Cllr Hester 8 and 9

Cllr Ridgers 58 and 59

DCC have acknowledged our request for Salt Bins and are currently undertaking a survey of the locations in the area. Potholes along the road from Burrow to Preston have been reported and DCC Highways department are inspecting with a view to making safe where appropriate.

Clerk

**134.10 PLANNING**

DNPA 0368/10 Sandsgate House Chagford. After discussion it was agreed to make no comment.

Tree Preservation Order – Drewe Arms Drewsteignton. After discussion it was agreed to support the application as there was excessive root exposure and the wall was falling down .In the opinion of the Councillors they were in a dangerous condition.

Clerk to notify relevant authorities

Decisions received;

WDBC 00617/2010 Chapple Farm Drewsteignton granted.

WDBC 00513/2010 Mellish, Martin Farm, Whiddon Down – refused. Cllrs could not understand

why this had been refused as WDBC stated it failed to demonstrate that existing provision of such tourist accommodation in the locality is inadequate and would result in sporadic and unsustainable development in open countryside. It was agreed that Cllr Chadney should draft a reply to WDBC for discussion at the next meeting.

ACTION

DNPA 0246/10 1 Saddlers Close Crockernwell – granted.

Cllr  
Chadney

### **135.10 FINANCE**

Cllr Mudge proposed and Cllr Hester seconded the following payments to be made;

Mrs J Bowden – Clerk's Salary £368.33

Mrs J Bowden – Clerk's Expenses £15.83

Mr M Rowe – WC Cleaning £93.89

Mrs P Rowe – Parish Post expenses £24.90

Clerk

### **136.10 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Landfill Funding. Cllr Mudge will discuss at next meeting.

Details have been received from WDBC re Alcohol, Public Entertainment and Late Night Refreshment Policy, details will be downloaded and entered in the circulation pack for Cllrs comments.

Whiddon Down Village Hall has requested that Drewsteignton Parish Council assist them with the purchase of some new tables as the Parish Council is able to reclaim the Vat back. It was agreed that the tables would be purchased in the name of Drewsteignton Parish Council and Whiddon Down Village Hall would make a grant to Drewsteignton Parish Council to assist with the cost.

A proposed revised timetable has been received from Devon Library Service.

DNPA Development Management and Site Specific Issues Consultation group have requested comments on what are local issues. A questionnaire was completed.

### **137.10 DELEGATES REPORTS**

Cllr Dyke attended the Okehampton District Community Transport Group on 4 August 2010.

### **138.10 TOUR OF BRITAIN CYCLE RACE**

Crockernwell are holding a reception between 11am and 11.30am on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Anyone interested to contact Cllr Savage.

### **139.10 HIGHER FINGLE FARM**

As Cllr Chadney was not present it was agreed Cllr Savage would contact Cllr Chadney to obtain an update.

### **140.10 PARISH POST**

Nothing to report

### **141.10 TRAVELLERS SITE**

Dave Sexton of WDBC has supplied an updated report from the Travellers site stating that the number of residents has fallen by 2. Cllrs requested the Clerk write to Cllr McInnes referring him to e mail of 21.5.10 ( Nick Payne to Cllr Ridgers) asking what action is likely to be taken as there is a fear that permanent tenure of the site is likely to be taken in the forceable future and thus the site will grow. The e mail clearly states that N Payne has said that DCC Highways are going to need the site for chippings storage in the next 12 months and thus now that ownership of the site has been clarified Drewsteignton Parish Council would like DCC as legal owners to seek eviction and return the site to its proper use for the storage of highway chippings.

### **142.10 PARISH PLAN**

Nothing to report.

### **143.10 TURNPIKE ROAD**

A meeting has been arranged for 3pm on 17<sup>th</sup> September between Cllr Hester, Savage, McInnes and Joe Deasey Highways Engineer North to discuss the current proposals.

### **144.10 DREWSTEIGNTON CAR PARK**

The new signs have been ordered but not yet received and the possibility of an honesty box is been researched.

### **145.10 COMMENTS ON INFORMATION CIRCULATED**

None.

### **146.10 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **147.10 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7.30pm at Whiddon Down.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15pm.