

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING
OF
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL
Whiddon Down Village Hall
On
Monday 20th September 2010

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

Apologies: Cllr Hardie and Cllr Chadney

In attendance: 1 member of the public

148.10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

ACTION

Cllr Gosnay proposed and Cllr Mudge seconded the minutes of the meeting of the 16th August 2010.

149.10 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. None were declared.

150.10 MATTERS ARISING

Material Planning considerations had been received from WDBC.

The Clerk gave a report from EDF re cost of electric re Church light. There is a new pricing structure coming in on 1 October 2010 when the standing charge will reduce from 70.79 pence per day to 16.04 pence per day, but the unit rate will increase. As there is such low usage the overall bill for a 12 month period should reduce by approx £173 plus VAT.

Cllr Chadney has undertaken some research in respect of Martins Mellish Planning and will give a report at the next meeting.

Cllr
Chadney

151.10 HIGHWAYS

Correspondence has been received from DCC in respect of the Winter Service of roads, and asking for comments regarding salting of roads and location of salt bins. The road from Crockernwell to Drewsteignton Village has been classed as a secondary route. Cllrs felt the route should be extended from Drewsteignton Village to Sandy Park as this was the main bus route, delivery route to the Shop and local businesses and was a commuter route. It was also felt that additional salt bins should be placed at the top and bottom of Netherton Hill.

Clerk

Parish Lengthsman would be visiting the Parish on 15th and 25th October. The footpath between Knowle lane and Lamb Park requires clearing. Storm drains between Hooperton Cross and Crockernwell require clearing. The sides of the road at Netherton Hill and between Primrose cottage and Lamb Park require clearing. The road below Rose Cottage at Venton also requires clearing.

Clerk

152.10 PLANNING

DNPA 0438/10 3 Crockernwell Court Crockernwell. After discussion it was agreed to support the application on the basis that it would have a positive effect on the surrounding buildings within a conservation area.

Clerk

Clerk to notify relevant authorities

Decisions received;

DNPA 0319/10 Longhayes Venton – Refused

DNPA 0226/10 Land at Netherton – Granted

Proposed Tree Works at Drewe Arms – Granted

DNPA 0233/10 Fairview Bungalow – Granted.

DNPA 0311/10 Lower Budbrooke Cottage – Granted

Correspondence has been received from DNPA in respect of application 0226/10 noting Drewsteignton Parish Councils objections to the application but it was considered that the revised location of the building satisfactorily related it to other building groups, which is a requirement of Policy FD2 of the local plan. Consequently permission was granted.

Cllrs requested that the Clerk respond to this correspondence asking what action is to be taken over the original unlawful field shelter which contains a masonry structure built within what was a mobile shelter. Since this structure is unlawful and also effectively redundant due to the recent permission granted, presumably an enforcement notice will be served immediately.

Clerk

153.10 FINANCE

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

Mrs J Bowden – Clerk's Salary £368.33

Clerk

Mrs J Bowden – Clerk's Expenses £20.75

Mr M Rowe – WC Cleaning £73.50	ACTION
2 nd Instalment of the Precept has been received from WDBC.	
154.10 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE	
DNPA – Alteration and extension to Drewsteignton Conservation area map and letter inviting comments has been received. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact DNPA asking if all Parishioners affected have been consulted fully about the Boundary changes, as from the Parish Councils enquiries residents were not aware. Until such time as the Parish Council is reassured that they have been consulted then the Parish Council will object.	Clerk
Natural England have issue guidance on assessing land for designation as an area of outstanding natural beauty or a National Park. It was agreed to respond that Drewsteignton Parish Council will not be commenting as the majority of the Parish lies within the National Park.	Clerk
Environment Agency have sent details of Emergency planning which Cllr Hester agreed to give a report on at the next meeting.	Cllr Hester
Cllrs agreed to maintain their Parish Council e mails and Cllr Gosnay agreed to divert Parish Council e mail addresses to personal e mails where Cllrs preferred.	Cllr Gosnay
Mr and Mrs Hall have written to complain about the dog fouling at Venton. It was agreed that the Clerk should reply informing them of the WDBC website where a complaint form can be down loaded.	Clerk
WDBC are to hold a flood presentation evening in November. Clerk to respond that one of our Cllrs would be willing to attend.	Clerk
WDBC consulted with Drewsteignton Parish Council in respect of the naming of the new development to Prestonbury View. All Cllrs were in favour.	
155.10 DELEGATES REPORTS	
Cllr Savage attended the Eastern Links meeting and gave his report. Congratulations were sent to Cllr Hardie for compiling an excellent report on the incidents occurring at Whiddon Down junction, which was very well received at the meeting.	
Cllr Savage and Cllr Mudge attended the Civic Service at Chagford.	
156.10 HIGHER FINGLE FARM	
Cllr Chadney and Cllr Savage had a meeting with Ms Amiss of Higher Fingle Farm. It was agreed that in future any correspondence would be copied to Ms Amiss if Drewsteignton Parish Council were going to write to any other bodies in connection with the farm.	Clerk
157.10 PARISH POST	
Unfortunately the individuals responsible for delivery of the Parish Post in the Sandy Park area are currently no longer able to deliver. Volunteers are therefore required to deliver the Parish Post on a monthly basis. It was agreed a flyer would be included in this months Post requesting volunteers. Cllr Mudge agreed to deliver to the outlining area of Sandy Park and it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Cllr Ridgers asking if he had any suggestions for volunteers for the Sandy Park centre.	
158.10 TRAVELLERS SITE	
DCC Sue Craythorne Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Officer has confirmed that DCC will be looking to resume possession of the land to use as a chippings store by March 2011. Cllr requested the Clerk reply welcoming the eviction and requesting that they be kept up to date of future developments.	Clerk
159.10 PARISH PLAN	
Nothing to report.	
160.10 TURNPIKE ROAD	
A meeting was held on 17 th September between Cllr Hester, Savage, McInnes and Joe Deasey Highways Engineer North to discuss the current proposals. The crossing works at Whiddon Down have been deferred until the next financial year due to budget cut backs. It was agreed the Clerk should write to Inspector J Perry asking that attention be paid to the road on Tuesdays and Thursday at approx 5.30pm when the school late bus arrives.	Clerk
Joe Deasey agreed to report back with details for the 2 stages to block Turnpike road and to obtain a traffic order to provide speed bumps at Chapel Hill on the south side of Barn Close.	
No money will be available for this project from Highways but there is a possibility of some funding from DCC through Cllr James McInnes. A positive meeting.	
161.10 DREWSTEIGNTON CAR PARK	
The new signs have been received. Nina Ingliss has volunteered to prune restake the apple trees in the car park. Cllrs agreed this was a good idea and Clerk to liaise with Cllr Gosnay to arrange a meeting.	Cllr Gosnay
162.10 COMMENTS ON INFORMATION CIRCULATED	
None.	
163.10 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	
Public Footpaths	

Precept

Travellers Site February 2011

164.10 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 25th October 2010 at 7.30pm at Drewsteignton.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.29pm.