

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING  
OF  
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL  
Drewsteignton Village Hall  
On  
Monday 16 June 2012 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Gosnay (Chairman), Walker (Vice Chairman), Savage, Hardie, Hester, Mudge, Power, and the Clerk. Cllr Dyke arrived 8.12pm  
Apologies: Cllr Ridgers  
In attendance: 4 members of the public

**070/12 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Approval of the minutes of the ordinary meeting 21 May 2012; Proposed by Cllr Mudge and seconded by Cllr Hardie.

**071/12 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 as claiming expenses incurred.

**072/12 MATTERS ARISING**

**Police update on speeding issues;** following correspondence with Shaun Keneally, Sector Inspector, which said that continuing to prioritise this Parish was not possible, the councillors agreed to follow up the Community Speedwatch option, and invite a police rep to the next meeting. Also a site meeting was proposed, with the Casualty Reduction Officer, (Mark Goulding), a rep from DCC, and a rep from Highways, along with Cllr Savage.  
**Clerk to progress.**

**Fingle Shoot;** Nigel Padfield updated the meeting, saying that the terms of the new lease will be much tighter, adhering to the British Association for Shooting and Conservation guidelines. Pens at Cod Wood have been removed, but no positive changes further west. 'Prior Notification' (legal procedures) which take some time, have not yet been sought for the forthcoming season. Shooting dates will be available from Lonsdale Forestry one week in advance. No correspondence regarding development towards the next season has been received to assure the council that their recommendations will be followed. **Clerk to review correspondence.**

**Community Notice board;** Mick Jones (NT) has produced a poster about dog waste for the Castle Drogo notice-board, and other opportunities to reinforce the message.

Christopher Walledge (DNPA) has responded to the letter regarding the expansion of the **Drewsteignton Conservation Area**, but not really answered the questions raised, and declined the invitation to this meeting. It appears the residents affected were not individually contacted, and the Parish Council's objections were overruled. **Clerk to request Code of Practise, invite DNPA rep to PC next meeting, and to write to DNPA Chief Executive.**

Sanctuary Housing have sent details of their procedure regarding the **106 Agreement at Turnpike Close**, but do not know whether this was followed regarding a recent mutual exchange. Sanctuary are investigating further, and will respond shortly.

**073/12 HIGHWAYS**

Tony Thomas updated the meeting regarding the **Parking Restrictions at the Post Office**, Drewsteignton, 73 households have raised the finance to progress this project, with minimal negative reaction. Final timings are needed from the Maynards, and **Clerk to proceed.**

There were 13 support letters and 1 objection to the **Turnpike Road closure Traffic Order**. This is now proceeding to the next stage, with contractors lined up.

**Verge parking at Turnpike Close** will be reviewed after the road closure is completed.

WDBC Health & Safety chased the dangerous state of the **Esso service station roadway** and say that the finances have been approved carry out the repairs needed, and should be complete in 1 month.

Steve Dawe (Highways) has agreed to inspect the road just north of the car park in Drewsteignton. (**Froggy Lane**)

Repairs needed; Crockernwell yellow lines marking speed restriction zone are faded. Grass verge cutting at Hooperton Cross needed. **Clerk to contact Highways.**

**074/12 PLANNING**

**Decisions received;** None

**DNPA 0201/12 West Ford Farm**, Drewsteignton; retrospective horse training area. Following discussion at the May meeting resulting in the 'Object' response the Council have been invited to visit the site, to review the situation. This visit helped greatly and following recommendation by Cllr Gosnay a NEUTRAL VIEW response was agreed. Clerk to contact DNPA.

Also at West Ford Farm the new camp site is active. Councillors want to understand the basis for the licence granted by the Caravan & Camping Club, and the DNPA standpoint on this issue. **Action Clerk.**

**075/12 FINANCE;**

**a) Payments to be made in June 2012.**

Cllr Power proposed and Cllr Walker seconded the following payments to be made;

Ms B Snook – Salary & general expenses - £395.48

Ms B Snook – Map printing - £247.50

Mr M Rowe – WC cleaning - £147.00 (2 months)

Drewsteignton Village Hall - £8.00

Cllr Savage – travel expenses - £9.60

b) Audit Commission future appointment of auditor for next 5 years, approved.

**076/12 General correspondence**

**Late letters;**

Letter to residents of Whiddon Down from RES regarding **road junction improvements**. Into Circulation pack. Devon County Council **Winter Service review**, to be completed by Cllr Walker as Snow Warden.

**Agenda letters;** None

**077/12 Playing Field constitution and future;** the Extraordinary AGM, held on 11 June, was well attended, with a new committee formed and good practical support. The new constitution was signed, maintenance planned, and repairs instigated. PR includes a Fun Day on 14 July, and posters to encourage use of the facility. Any new activities will require a review of the insurance.

**078/12 Prayers at Council meetings –** nothing new to report. Clerk to chase DALC.

**079/12 Delegates Reports –** Cllr Savage attended the **Eastern Links** meeting where discussions included the issue that the Standards Committee cease to be on 30 June 2012, and a **new Code of Conduct** must be adopted, the council can choose between WDBC or NALC. This needs to be agreed by the next meeting. Also DCC have a TAP fund available to Parishes who team up for projects before July. Cllr James McInnes suggests looking at what Highways no longer cover. Claims for weed-killing verges have been successful. Clerk to contact neighbouring Parishes.

Cllr Dyke attended Heartlands Forum

**080/12 Comments on information circulated –** none

**081/12 Future agenda items –** Turnpike Close 106 agreement, Enforcement WDBC, Car-park posts.

**082/12 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING –** Monday 16 July 2012 at 7.30pm at Whiddon Down. Clerk to send all meeting dates to Cllrs.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.37pm