

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL
Whiddon Down Village Hall
On
Monday 18 July 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Imrie (Chair), Brooks, Hunt, Hester, Ridgers, and the Clerk.
Apologies Cllr Savage
In attendance 1 member of the public

072/16 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The minutes for Ordinary Meeting 16 May 2016 & 20 June 2016 were approved.

073/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None stated

074/16 MATTERS ARISING:

WC exterior works, the Clerk has started getting quotes for the works required, but we do not have enough information yet to be able to make a decision.

075/16 HIGHWAYS:

Whiddon Down link road: The problem with stones on the carriageway at Hole farm bend is reducing, but will still be monitored by Cllrs.

AA 'event' signs at Whiddon Down: James Aven (DNPA) has started investigating the signs and the situation appears complex, and needs further examination by Mr Aven.

The **fallen fence** on the A30, near Harepath, is on contractor Kier's urgent work-list. Cllr Hunt to monitor.

Highways have started the repair works on the **unsafe pedestrian protection** fence in Crockernwell, however the job is not complete. Clerk to chase up Highways.

Chapel Hill bollards: Simon Phillips (Highways) says the bollards have arrived, and will be installed shortly.

076/16 PLANNING

Decisions received:

DNPA 0239/16 - Planning permission - works at Broadmeadow Cottage, Drewsteignton - **granted**

DNPA 0240/16 - Listed Building Consent - works at Broadmeadow Cottage, Drewsteignton - **granted**

DNPA 0251/16 - Agricultural workers dwelling at Venton Farm - **refused**

Applications:

DNPA 0346/16 - Removal of condition at **Woodland Springs, Venton**. The applicant explained that this application was to remedy an administrative error. Cllrs unanimously agreed to a **Neutral View**.

Further planning matters: Unauthorised signs at Whiddon Down are much reduced, Cllrs will continue to monitor the situation.

077/16 FINANCE;

a) Payments to be made in July 2016

Cllr Brooks proposed and Cllr Hunt seconded the following payments to be made;

Ms B Snook – Clerk's Salary - £398.66

Ms B Snook - general expenses - 2 months - £32.60

Mr M Rowe – WC cleaning - £80.00

Drewsteignton Village Hall - Hall hire - £10.00

Parish Mag Printers – magazine print - £74.00

South West Water - playing field tap - £16.82

EDF - Public WC electricity - £55.73

b) **Income from honesty boxes** - (car park £65.54) (WCs £16,51) Total £82.05

c) **Other financial matters:** Cllrs agreed that Cllr Hester should be authorised as a bank signatory. Clerk to process.

078/15 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda letters:

Dr Michael Hall has contacted Cllr Imrie regarding possible funding from the **Denbrook wind farm Community Benefit fund** to help Whiddon Down village hall. Cllrs discussed the matter, and agreed that the priority for the community benefit should be for the communities most negatively affected by the development such as Spreyton. Also Whiddon Down has already benefited from the new link road reducing traffic in the village centre. Cllr Imrie to reply to Dr Hall.

West Devon Borough Council (WDBC) have sent consultation information regarding the **Joint Local Plan**, which is being formulated by WDBC, South Hams District Council, & Plymouth City Council. Together these authorities will plan sites for future development, both housing & commercial. Dartmoor National Park (DNP) will create their

own policy, so most of this Parish will be covered in this way. It is estimated that DNP must allow 600 new houses between 2014 & 2024. Some of this allocation will be used up in the Stannery Gardens development in Chagford. Cllr Savage plans to attend a meeting in Okehampton this week to learn more about these consultations. It may benefit the Parish to update the Parish Plan made in 2009, to ensure local knowledge is used to benefit the Parish, and avoid any inappropriate development. Clerk to research funding for Parish Plan.

LATE LETTERS:

Due to personal circumstances **Cllr Brown** has sent his resignation to Chairwoman Imrie. Cllrs thanked Cllr Brown for his input and wished him well. Clerk to ensure the necessary paperwork is carried out.

Lengthsman Warren Dawes has sent a list of works carried out and pending. Cllrs to check the works in their wards. He has also felled the 2 trees causing concern at the playing field. The invoices will go forward to the August payments.

Footpath checks were allocated to the Council team as below:

2,3,4	Cllr Savage
1, 6	Cllr Hardie
13,14	Cllr Hunt
16,17	Cllr Hester
10,11,12	need a volunteer please
5,21,25	Cllr Brooks
19,20	Cllr Ridgers
8, 9	Cllr Imrie
58, 59	Clerk

for reporting back to DNP ranger at the October meeting

079/16 Delegates Reports: None

080/16 Comments on information circulated – Cllr Hunt mentioned that the **website** does not show the calendar of meeting dates, Clerk to arrange amendment.

081/16 Future agenda items - National Association of Local Council's awards scheme

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETINGS–

Ordinary Meeting **Monday 15 August 2016** at Whiddon Down at 7.30 pm

There being no further business, the Chairwoman declared the meeting closed at 8.12 pm