

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL
Whiddon Down Village Hall
on
Monday 17th July 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Imrie (Chair), Savage (Vice Chairman) Hester, Brooks and Ridgers and the outgoing Clerk and the incoming Clerk (under training)
Apologies None received
In attendance None

067/17 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Cllrs agreed to defer approval of the minutes to the next meeting for some minor amendments

068/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None

069/17 MATTERS ARISING:

Anti social behaviour at Lamb Park, Drewsteignton. Noted that residents have submitted some reports to the relevant authorities. Regarding the loose dog in the churchyard, there are no signs regarding control of dogs although the Dog Control Order of 22/10/2014 does cover this.

There has been no response to the Clerk's email to Dunsford PC regarding an **information board**, decision made to not continue with this enquiry for the time being

Cllr vacancies: There has been no interest from those approached by Cllrs to join the Parish Council. Cllr Hazel Hunt resigned her position to the Chair by email, citing personal reasons.

070/17 HIGHWAYS:

The Clerk has emailed Darryl Jagger regarding the **temporary fences** at the Post Inn, Whiddon Down and at Crockernwell but has had no response to date.

Schedule of **local signpost repair and replacement**, photos received from Warren Dawes, some progress has been made. Cllr Savage to contact Warren Dawes to organise assistance with some work and to ensure progress continues. Priority is to be given to those falling/leaning, not those which are dirty. A query was raised as to who is responsible for the Sands Gate Cross sign – considered to be in Chagford parish. The Clerk will email Highways to bring this sign to their attention for repair/replacement as they see fit. The Clerk to confirm with Chagford Parish Council which contractor they have used recently for similar works. The Whiddon Down village sign has a rusted out supporting post, Clerk to email Highways and request repair/replace as necessary.

Footpath walking allocation was discussed with all present and allocated, to be walked by the October meeting. List will be updated by the Clerk and circulated.

Cllr Savage commented that **Giant Hogweed and Ragwort** was becoming invasive in some areas. Giant Hogweed is a hazardous plant and Ragwort is notifiable. Clerk to contact DCC to clarify their policy on control of these plants.

071/17 PLANNING:

Decisions received: None

Applications: None.

Late:

DNPA 0345/17 Single storey rear extension at **Charisma Cottage, Drewsteignton**. A site visit and additional meeting will be arranged.

Further planning matters: None

072/17 FINANCE:

a) Payments to be made in July 2017

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

Big Game Hunters – playing field equipment £224.99

Ms B Snook – Clerk's Salary - £398.66

Ms B Snook - general expenses - £42.49
 Mr M Rowe – WC cleaning and materials - £153.73
 Drewsteignton village hall – hire £25.00
 Parish Mag Printers – magazine print - £74.00
 Roundash Associates - Website hosting, annual fee - £36.00 (previous cheque returned)
 Ms L Bruckner – Clerk’s salary, £60.42

b. Income in:

Income from honesty boxes - Car Park £64.19	WC: £12.42	TOTAL: £76.61
From Playing Field Committee for Big Game Hunters - £187.49		
VAT reclaim paid from HMRC £190.52		

c. Other financial matters: Clerk Bruckner to arrange to be a signatory for the Parish Council bank account, once this is arranged Clerk Snook and Cllr Hunt to be removed as signatories.

073/17 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda Correspondence:

Dee Douglas has written to the PC with various updates on her gardening work in the area. Cllr Hester will organise the pressure washing of the bus stop at Whiddon Down. Dee suggested that the bus stop at Crockernwell needs work and Cllr Savage advised this was in hand. Dee’s comments regarding the area near Stringer Equine vets need clarifying as Cllrs consider this is possibly South Tawton PC. Clerk Snook to mention to Dee to be careful of where she works, to ensure she knows who is the owner of the land before starting any work.

A letter on behalf of a client from Jackson Stopps & Staff, at their request, was currently to remain a confidential matter and was therefore discussed after the public meeting has closed.

Late letters:

Dartmoor National Park Authority have proposed parking charges at some popular Dartmoor car parks. Consultation for this closes before the next meeting, too early for a Council response. Details to go into the next Parish Post, to encourage public response.

074/17 Delegates Reports: Cllr Savage has attended a recent Eastern Links meeting and requested that all Cllrs read the minutes from the meeting. Issues raised were speeding at Sticklepath, rural Broadband and District Council charging for garden waste collection.

075/17 Comments on information circulated – None

076/17 Future agenda items

2 Great Tree Bungalows, Clerk to check deadline for demolition works.

Unauthorised mobile homes at Dunns Dairy.

Martin Park Farm – Clerk to obtain update from West Devon Borough Council as no development has taken place has planning lapsed?

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING –

Ordinary Meeting **Monday 21st August 2017** at Drewsteignton at 7.30 pm

There being no further business, the Chairwoman declared the meeting closed at 8.52 pm