

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
OF  
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL  
Drewsteignton Village Hall  
on  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 at 7.30pm**

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

**080/17 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Ordinary Council Meetings 19<sup>th</sup> June and 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and Extra Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**081/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None

**082/17 MATTERS ARISING:**

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Unauthorised mobile homes at Dunns Dairies. Chair Imrie read out the email from Alex Lawrey, Planning Officer, DNPA, which states that an enforcement notice has been served and must be complied with by January 2018. Diaried forward to January 2018.
- 2 Great Tree Bungalows demolition works. Chair Imrie read out the Clerks email to Nick Savin, DNPA, it was noted that he had not replied as on leave. For next months agenda.
- Martin Park Farm potential planning lapse. Chair Imrie noted that the full name of the site had been detailed incorrectly; also read out the conditions of the planning and Jane Ross email of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017. Clerk to seek clarification from WDBC whether planning stands on not.

**083/17 HIGHWAYS**

- a) A30 slip road to Whiddon Down. There have been accidents here influenced by the tight bend on the slip road. Clerk to contact Highways England. Cllr Savage suggested a chevron board.
- b) A382 traffic flow at Sandy Park, single red light proposed at the top of Sandy Park Hill to stop traffic when a high vehicle is coming from Moretonhampstead direction triggered via high mounted sensors. Clerk to write to Darryl Jagger.

Chagford Show: It was noted that the traffic controls by stewards at the show on the previous Thursday had worked very well, and it was suggested that the Secretary of the Show is contacted and asked if the stewards could also provide traffic control on the Wednesday 4-6pm, at setting up time. Clerk will email this request.

- c) Response regarding Giant Hogweed and Ragwort. Chair Imrie read out the reply from Darryl Jagger, the Neighbourhood Highway Officer, and Cllr Savage said he would write about this issue in the next Parish post and await landowners replies.
- d) Collapsed fence at Post Inn, Whiddon Down, progress report. Nothing to report, the Clerk will email Devon County Councillor JM, the Neighbourhood Manager, to gather information.
- e) Signposts replacements and renewals, progress report. Noted that one post has been replaced in Trenaway Lane, but there is no progress report as the Lengthsman Warren Dawes is on holiday, Cllr Savage will liaise with Lengthsman.

**Taken out of order**

**Disruptive resident at Lamb Park, Drewsteignton.** Cllr Imrie invited Paul Moody to speak on behalf of the residents. The parishioners quality of life is being badly affected by one disruptive individual, and there was a lively discussion regarding problems that have arisen, including a deep concern that the residents dog has now bitten more than one person and is a danger to any who come across it. Devon & Cornwall Housing will not get involved. Cllr Savage said that as this is a Dangerous Dog and out of control it should have been destroyed, and a parishioner said that the Police dog handler who met with the dog thought it should also be destroyed. Cllr Ridgers questioned whether DCH were a fit and proper landlord, and queried who DCH reported to. DCH have a duty of care to their tenants. Cllr Ridgers suggested that the parishioners should get their Member of Parliament and Devon County Council involved. Cllr Savage spoke briefly about the need for a Community Impact Statement and will liaise with Paul Moody to produce same. Cllr Ridgers will speak to West Devon Borough Council in his capacity as a Borough Councillor.

All members of the public left at 8.34pm.  
Returned to agenda order

## **084/17 PLANNING**

### **Decisions received**

- **Netherton Barton**, 0256/17, grant conditionally, 18 July 2017.

### **Applications:**

- Erection of agricultural workers dwelling at **Venton Farm**, Drewsteignton, EX6 6PG, 0394/17. Cllrs voted three against, two neutral.

### **Further planning issues:**

- **None (that on the agenda was found to be out of the Parish and therefore listed in error).**

## **085/17 FINANCE**

### **a. Payments out (August 2017): Cllrs Hestor and Brooks signed the below cheques.**

- Mrs L Bruckner: salary £384.50
- Mr M. Rowe: Cleaning Drewsteignton Public Conveniences: £ 80.00
- EDF: £ 60.68
- The Branch Manager £297.00

### **b. Income received:**

Income from honesty boxes

- Car Park £54.24
- WC: £18.17
- TOTAL: £72.41

### **c. Other financial:**

Budget for signpost replacements and renewals. Cllr Savage to discuss with Warren Dawes

## **086/17 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION**

### **Agenda correspondence:**

- Facebook advertising of Cllr positions. The Clerk informed the Cllrs that Moretonhampstead Parish Council had advertised Casual Vacancies on Facebook. Cllrs agreed that this should be actioned by the Clerk.
- Taxi licensing policy consultation. No longer a Taxi firm in the Parish.
- Hedge pruning by Drewsteignton toilet block. There were two quotes received for this, Cllr Ridgers proposed that Ben Pell be given the job based on his quotation.
- Whiddon Down sign, upright posts to be replaced. These have been replaced.
- Public Garden at Drewsteignton, gardeners' club to relinquish management. Unfortunately the Gardeners Club did not have a representative at this meeting and so item to be carried forward to September meeting.
- Letter of thanks to previous Clerk. Agreed and will be forwarded to Chair Imrie to sign, along with a £50 voucher as a leaving present.
- Cost of training sessions for new Clerk. Agreed by Cllrs, being a total of £80 for three sessions.

Cllr Ridgers left at 8.52pm.

To receive any late items of information for discussion and minuting purposes only ('Late Letters').

- Chair Imrie and Cllr Savage signed the Nat West bank mandate which gives the Clerk signatory status and also change of address for correspondence.
- Regarding speed at Whiddon Down it was noted that Darryl Jagger has said that the raw data is not available.
- Email received regarding dog faeces. It is written about in the Parish Post in the hope that residents will take responsibility for their dogs faeces and dispose of them correctly. Clerk to cost Dog Faeces bins, collection and cleaning of same. Chair Imrie will find out who empties the Castle Drogo bins. The writer had mentioned the soiling of the Clifford Bridge to Fingle path which is out of the Parish, and the Clerk will inform the writer of this.

## **087/17 DELEGATES REPORTS**

Cllr Hestor announced that there would be a Summer Fete at Whiddon Down Village Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Cllr Brooks agreed to stand on the Parish Council Playing Fields Committee.

## **088/17 COMMENTS ON INFORMATION CIRCULATED BY EMAIL**

### **089/17 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- 2 Great Tree Bungalows demolition works
- Defibrillator at Crockernwell (Cllr Savage to find cost of battery powered item)
- Sandy Park Noticeboard
- Asset lists
- Bonfire night parking signs and ticketing
- BT phone box at Whiddon Down
- Footpaths list to be circulated for walking before October

**DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday 18 September 2017 at Whiddon Down

There being no further business, the Chairwoman declared the meeting closed at 9.25 pm

