

## **LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Old School Centre on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:** - Chairman Councillor Prowse

Councillors Beer, Halliday, Mrs Hommell, Lane (Minutes 16 c) to 22 only), Lovell and Medland.

**Also Present:** M. Isaac Parish Clerk, NDC Councillor Luggar (Minutes 16 c) to 22 only) and DCC Councillor Edgell (Minutes 16 c) to 22 only)

**Apologies:-** Councillors Mrs Morton

### **1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN 2017/18**

RESOLVED that Councillor Prowse be appointed Chairman of the Parish Council until re-appointments are made in the next municipal year.

### **2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN 2017/18**

RESOLVED that Councillor Halliday be appointed Vice Chairman of the Parish Council until re-appointments are made in the next municipal year.

### **3 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings held on the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 and 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

### **4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest announced.

### **5 QUESTIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL**

The following issues were raised by Parishioners.

A Parishioner expressed concerns at the provision of a new Community Hall and the willingness of the Community to engage in such a project.

### **6 CO-OPTION OF A NEW COUNCILLOR**

It was noted that no election had been requested and therefore the Council could co-opt a new Councillor onto the Parish Council.

It was agreed to advertise the vacancy and seek to appoint a new Councillor at the next Parish Council meeting.

## **7 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Council approved the following grants to community organisations 2017/18:

		Cllrs. Declaration of interest
Village Hall Committee	£800	
Landkey AFC	£700	Mrs Hommell
Millennium Green Trust	£600	
St Pauls Church	£800	

## **8 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Clerk reported that Landkey had been designated as a Neighbourhood Plan Area.

It was agreed to find out further information and the next steps in the process.

## **9 POLICING MATTERS**

Councillor Beer stated that he had reported vehicles in the village that were not licenced or had a valid MOT to the Police but there had not been action taken.

It was agreed to write to the Police to ask what their Policy was on dealing with vehicles that were untaxed and without a valid MOT.

## **10 HIGHWAY MATTERS**

Concerns were noted from the shop owner of vehicles parking outside the shop.

## **11 PLAYING FIELDS**

The Clerk reported that the application for s106 funding for the replacement of the swing had been approved by NDC.

The Chairman reported that he and the Clerk would be chasing contractors regarding the replacement safety surfacing material at the Tanners Road play area.

## **12 MILLENNIUM GREEN**

There were no issues to report

## **13 OLD SCHOOL CENTRE**

Councillor Beer reported that the leak in the toilet had been fixed. The plumber had also reduced the water pressure that had been too high and the locks to the storage areas had also been replaced.

## **14 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER**

It was noted that someone had suggested that a farmers market be held in Landkey

## **15 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE AND OLD SCHOOL CENTRE SUB COMMITTEE**

Resolved that the following appointments be made:

Planning Sub Committee – Councillors Beer, Halliday, Mrs Hommell, Lovell, Mrs Morton, and Prowse.

Old School Centre Sub Committee – Councillors Beer, Lane and Medland

## **16 NEW BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE**

### **a) Venn Quarry Conservation and Community Grant Fund**

The Council RESOLVED to support a joint submission with Bishops Tawton Parish Council to NDC Planning Authority regarding the Venn quarry Community and Conservation grant fund. It was considered that there needed to be very clear and transparent criteria for assessing grant applications, so that money was given only to projects that met the clear aims of the grant fund and that both Parish Councils be involved in the setting of the grant criteria and the assessment of applications, so that local groups are given the best opportunity to benefit from the grant.

### **b) Planning Application Paper Consultation**

The Clerk reported the receipt of an e mail from NDC Planning Department stating that as from 3 July 2017 paper copies of planning applications would no longer be sent out to consultees.

It was agreed that the Clerk

- i) Be authorised to purchase an Overhead Projector
- ii) Investigate the provision of broadband at the Old School Centre with a company called Wildwestnet who provide free broadband to village hall and churches.

### **c) Save Our Hospital**

Concern was again expressed at the proposals to down grade the services at the ND Hospital. Concerns had been made by Parishioners.

It was agreed to re-state the issues raised in the Council's previous letter to the Chief Executive of the ND Healthcare Trust as the Council had not be re-assured in the interim period of the proposed outcome.

## **17 FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

### **a) Payments**

The following payments were approved: -

M. Isaac	Clerk's Expenses	£	19.95
Lonsdale	Newsletter Printing	£	66.80
DALC	Annual Membership Fees	£	437.33

## **18 PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no Planning matters for consideration.

The Chairman of the Planning Sub Committee updated Council on the applications considered by the Sub Committee at the meeting prior to Council.

The Clerk reported that the Venn Quarry Application was to be considered by ND Planning Committee and a representative from the Parish Council was invited to attend and address the Committee.

It was agreed that no representative attend.

The Chairman stated that the Devonshire Homes Reserved Matters Application had been determined but the Council had not been informed about the transfer of the Community Build Land. Councillor Lane stated that the transfer of ownership of the land was still on going.

## **19 REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Luggar circulated samples of the agreed natural slate roofing materials for the prominent entrance dwellings for the Devonshire Homes development at Birch Road.

He informed the Council that Councillor Mrs Sue Croft had been appointed Chairman of North Devon District Council.

## **20 REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Edgell stated that he hoped that some of the additional £2 million for the repair of rural roads and an additional £1/2 million for rural road drainage would be spent in North Devon.

## **21 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING**

There were no items raised.

## **22 NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the Annual Parish Council meeting would be held in the **OLD SCHOOL CENTRE** on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

**Chairman**

**Meeting closed at 9.04 pm.**

