

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 5th JANUARY 2022 AT 7.00 pm**

Present: - Councillor Halliday (Chairman)
Councillors Beer, Hommell, Lane, Morton and Prowse.

DCC Councillor Henderson

M Isaac (Clerk)

In Attendance: Parishioner/Members of the Public - 1

223. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Nel.

224. MINUTES

- a) RESOLVED, that the minutes of the meeting held on 1st December 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- b) Matters Arising:
 - i) Defibrillator outside the shop.
The Chairman and Clerk reported that information to register the defibrillator with the emergency services had been passed to the supplier of the defibrillator for registration.

225. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY

The Clerk reported that the Councils request to increase the number of Councillors on the Parish Council from 7 to 9 would be considered by the NDC Governance Committee in due course.

226. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

227. PUBLIC SESSION

A Parishioner asked if Bishops Tawton Parish Council had been contacted regarding works in Bableigh Valley.

The Chairman and Clerk stated that at present no contact had been made as the works undertaken to date had been deemed by NDC not to require planning permission.

It was also asked if Marie Bailey, NDC Planning Service Manager would be invited to a future Meeting. The Clerk stated that she would be invited to a future meeting.

228. NDC COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

NDC Councillor Lane had no NDC issues to report.

229. DCC COUNCILLOR REPORT

DCC Councillor Paul Henderson reported the following issues:

- The results of traffic speed and flows at the Swimbridge end of Blakeshill Road from December 2019 – December 2021 was tabled. It indicated that the mean speed was just above 44 mph and that the average daily flow from March 2021 had increased significantly due to work on the ND Link Road.
- That Cabinet had discussed the introduction of 20 mph zones. The framework for considering requests would include additional factors to ensure that resource was directed to where there would be the greatest benefit, including speed related casualty collision history, community support, active Community Speed Watch, deprivation Index ranking and existing Air Quality Management area. All schemes would also be considered via a safety audit prior to progression and the framework for assessing and prioritising requests for 20 mph Speed Limits for use in the preparation of schemes for delivery in 2022/23.
- That funding for Social Care had been increased.
- That the road to Venn Quarry would be closed until 22 March 2022.

It was agreed that discussions should be held with Swimbridge Parish Council regarding speeding through the Villages and other issues of mutual concern.

230. NEW COMMUNITY BUILDING GROUP

The Chairman reported that the next meeting was on Wednesday 19 January and that the printed copy of the survey was ready to be distributed with the January/February newsletter.

231. BUS SHELTERS, BAKERY WAY – REFURBISHMENT.

It was agreed that consideration of the refurbishment of the Bus Shelters be deferred until the March meeting.

232. TELEPHONE BOX: UPDATE RE PROVISION OF SHELVING

Councillor Beer reported that there had been a delay in installing the shelving due to a leak. He hoped that this had now been sorted and the shelves installed during the coming week.

233. COVID IMPACT ON THE PARISH – PARISHIONERS AND BUSINESSES.

It was noted that the painting group was hoping to restart.

Councillor Prowse stated that a decision of the WASAIL would be taken in the next few days. It was unlikely that the indoor supper would not go ahead but hopefully the outdoor activities would be held.

234. PROVISION OF FENCING BETWEEN THE MUGA AND ALLOTMENT LAND.

The Chairman reported that the quote from A Jewell included steel posts.

The Clerk reported that TK Play had been asked to give a quote and had requested to meet on site tomorrow. Councillor Prowse agreed to meet TK Play.

235. AMENDED NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA

The Clerk reported that Swimbridge Parish Council was reconsidering its previous response and Councillors would re-consider at the January meeting later in the month.

236. ASSETS INSPECTION

The Clerk reported that the Council needed to have an asset inspection regime. Following the last meeting he had contacted NDC but unfortunately, they did not undertake such work. He had also contacted Barnstaple Town Council and awaited a response.

237 s106 FUNDING UPDATE

The Clerk report that currently NDC still hold two s106 contributions from application 58370, Birch Road, Landkey.

£16,520 - creation, maintenance, improvement or enhancement of the football club and or playing field pitches at Landkey.

£30,000 – creation, maintenance and improvement or enhancement of any community facilities. Community Facilities is then referred to as the Community facilities land (is the new village hall). It had been confirmed that this was available for about 10 years.

238. POLICE

There were no issues reported.

239. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Speed Data through the Village: See minute 229 above

It was stated that the road surface through the village was breaking up, primarily from the increase in traffic due to the ND Link Road improvements.

The Chairman agreed to raise the issue at the next ND Link Road Liaison meeting.

240. PLAYING FIELDS

i) Litter Bin Emptying

The Clerk reported that a response was awaited from NDC for a price to empty the 3 bins on a weekly basis.

241. MILLENNIUM GREEN

The Chairman stated that Michael Gee had suggested the 6 February 2022 to plant the tree to celebrate the Queens Platinum Anniversary. He would not be able to attend. Councillor Beer agreed to attend.

It was also stated that a plaque could be placed next to the tree indicating that the tree was planted by Landkey Parish Council.

Councillor Prowse raised the idea that to also celebrate the Queens Platinum Anniversary the bench under the Oak tree at the bottom end of Stoney Lane could be replaced with a new bench and steps.

It was agreed to look at other ideas to provide a new community facility to celebrate the event.

It was noted that an event may be held in the Millennium Green in June to celebrate the event.

242. OLD SCHOOL CENTRE

There were no issues to report.

243. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER

There were no issues to report.

244. FINANCE MATTERS

a) Payments

RESOLVED:

That the following payments be approved:

M. Isaac	Expenses	£10.32
HMRC	Income Tax Payment – Clerk Salary	£125.20
M. Gee	Purchase of Tree-Queens Platinum Celebrations	£33.40
S. Harman	OSC miscellaneous items	£4.00

b) Financial position.

The financial position as of 24th November 2021 - Current A/C £53,805.59 and - Business reserve 9th November 2021 £23,263.17 was noted.

245. PLANNING MATTERS

- a) 74491 Extension and alterations to form new ensuite, Maple Dene, Acland Road, Landkey Barnstaple

RECOMMENDED No Objections

- b) 74565 Outline application for the erection of three dwellings with all matters reserved, Brookfield, Tanners Road, Landkey

It was agreed that the following comments be made:

- i) concerns were expressed regarding the increase in traffic along a narrow road that already has traffic problems with vehicles trying to emerge onto the busy Blakes Hill Road.
- ii) Adjacent to a flood zone
- iii) that the site was outside the development boundary.

246. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

247. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

The following items were raised:

Pump Track/Skatepark Update

Patio Area – Bakery Way/Mazzard Close. It was stated that this area was in disrepair with cracked tiles and tree roots growing up. It was noted that this was owned by ND Homes and agreed that the Clerk contact the owner.

248. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting would be on Wednesday 2nd February 2022 @ 7.00 p.m.

Chairman

The meeting closed at 8.24 p.m.