

## LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL

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

**Present:** - Chairman Councillor Prowse

Councillors Beer, Mrs Hommell, Lane, Lovell, Medland and Mrs Morton

**Also Present:** M. Isaac Parish Clerk, DCC Councillor Edgell and NDC Councillor Luggar.

**Apologies:-** Councillors Halliday and Mrs Pollard

### 63 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017 were approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

### 64 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

### 65 QUESTIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

The following issues were raised by Parishioners.

A Parishioner reported that Devonshire Homes were not cleaning the road as required at the end of each day.

It was agreed to inform Shaun Harrington NDC Planning Officer of the breach in condition

A Parishioner reported that the homeless person living under the bridge had moved elsewhere

### 66 REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Luggar reported the following:

That he had attended a meeting regarding Venn Quarry and the provision of a cycle link through the Quarry.

That the Inspector had identified recommended some amendments in the Local Plan to Policy BAR01 in relation to the boundary of Westacott Strategic Extension.

That the Council was looking to purchase 2 further vehicles to cope with the additional food waste being collected due to the recycling changes

That the Council was looking to replace the Tea by the Taw roof, move the Members Room from 16 Castle Street and use the property for temporary accommodation for homeless people

## **67 BAKERY WAY PLAY AREA**

Miles Sellick, North Devon Homes attended the meeting.

He stated that due to safety concerns play equipment had been removed from the Bakery Way Play Area following the deterioration of the wooden support posts. The play surface however, was in good condition.

He further stated that the new posts had to comply with current safety standards and would need to be of galvanised steel. He had been in contact with a company called RSS and agreed to contact them regarding the costs of what was required and liaise with Councillors Mrs Hommell and Lane.

It was agreed in principle that s106 funding be requested to be released to provide new posts at the Bakery Way play area.

A Parishioner with the consent of the Council asked who owned the verge adjoining Church Lake/Vicarage Road as water was running off the verge onto the road.

Mr Sellick stated that he would check to see if ND Homes had any responsibility.

## **68 RESURFACING OF TANNERS ROAD PLAY AREA: QUOTES**

The Clerk reported the receipt of 2 quotes from Vita Play - £8,568 including VAT and TK Play £6,734.40 including VAT to resurface the play area.

It was agreed that Andrew Moulton, NDC be asked to view the quotes and specifications to confirm that they meet the requirements as agreed on site and highlight any issues that the Parish Council should seek further information

It was agreed that authority be delegated to the Chairman in consultation with the Clerk and Councillors Mrs Hommell and Lane to accept appropriate quote following advice from Andrew Moulton

## **69 REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Edgell stated that County Councillor grant funding was again available this year and that he had been appointed Vice Chairman of the County Council.

The Council congratulated Councillor Edgell on his appointment.

## **70 LANDSCAPE/FLOWER BED AREAS, BLAKESHILL ROAD/TANNERS ROAD/SOTH HAYES COPSE: FUTURE MAINTENANCE**

The Clerk reported and read an e mail update from Councillors Halliday regarding his initial contact with Simon Oliver from St Johns Garden Centre regarding tidying up of the flower beds/landscape areas. It was suggested that bark was the best option as a screen on the beds and that Simon Oliver had agreed to work up suggested maintenance options for consideration.

The Clerk reported and read an e mail from Councillor Mrs Pollard regarding a price for cutting the grass around the picnic area and swings.

Picnic Area only £15 every 2 weeks or £25 once a month.  
Picnic Area and Swings £25 every 2 weeks or £40 once a month

It was agreed that subject to confirmation from the Playing Fields Committee the area be spray and wood bark put under the picnic area

## **71 NORTH DEVON COUNCIL PROPOSED SALE OF SURPLUS ASSETS**

The Clerk reported the receipt of an e mail from NDC formally advising that it is looking at disposing of more of its assets and that the car park area to the rear of Church Walk, the lane and forested 'Primary School' area to the rear was included on the proposed list for disposal.

It was agreed that NDC be informed of the Parish Council's interest in the site and request that a copy of the details and plan area be sent to the Parish council.

## **72 SPEEDING GTRAFFIC AT BOTH ENDS OF THE VILLAGE: PROVISION OF SPEED WARNING SIGNS**

Council noted that the matter had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Halliday.

Concerns had been expressed at speeding through the Village and it was considered that speed warning signs at both end of the Village would act as a deterrent.

It was noted that the speed warning sign on Blakeshill Road was faulty. It was also noted that Bishops Tawton were experiencing similar problems and had been advised that due to cost such works would only be undertaken when Contractor were undertaking other work in the area

It was agreed to ask DCC to include provision for an additional speed warning sign and the other end of the Village in any future work programme and to add the Blakeshill sign to the list for repairs as soon as possible.

## **73 NORTH DEVON LINK ROAD: DCC PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENT FROM SOUTH MOLTON TO BIDEFORD**

Councillor Edgell reported that a public consultation was being held in the Taw View Room, Civic Centre week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

It was agreed that the Parish Council support the 'overdue' improvements to the Landkey junction.

## **74 POLICE**

Councillor Beer reported an untaxed car in Denes Road.

## **75 HIGHWAY MATTERS**

It was reported that the Devonshire Homes had destroyed the hedge at the corner of Birch Road and Fourways Cross

**76 PLAYING FIELDS**

There were no issues to report

**77 MILLENNIUM GREEN**

It was reported that the trustees were proposing to have a hardstanding area for events

**78 OLD SCHOOL CENTRE**

It was reported that a request had been received to hire the tables and chairs for a wedding. It was agreed that the tables and chairs were for Landkey Community use only.

It was also agreed to ask Sandra to clean the tables and mark each table for identification.

**79 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER**

There were no issues to report

**80 NEW BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no new business/correspondence to report.

**81 FINANCE**

RESOLVED:

**a) Payments**

The following payments were approved: -

M. Isaac	Clerk's Expenses	£	18.29
S. Pollard	Strimming of Play Area	£	25.00
M&E Alarms	Annual Service	£	72.00
West of England Fire Protection	Annual Service	£	41.40
Lonsdale	Printing Nesletter and Flyer	£	192.10
S. Harman	OSC Supplies	£	2.99
R. Keenor	Spraying	£	185.00

**82 PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no further planning issues raised.

Councillor Beer updated the Council on the Planning Applications considered at the Planning Sub Committee prior to the Council meeting.

**83 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING**

There were no items raised.

**84      NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting would be held in the **OLD SCHOOL CENTRE** on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

**Chairman**

**Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.**