

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

Present: - Councillor Halliday (Chair)
Councillors Beer, Hommell, Lane, Nel and Morton.

DCC Councillor Henderson

M Isaac (Clerk)

In Attendance: Parishioner/Members of the Public - 4

135. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Prowse.

136. MINUTES

- a) RESOLVED, that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- b) Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

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

The following issues were raised:

- a) Lawful Development Certificate- Beechwood Fisheries, Valley View, Landkey

The Clerk reported a response from Councillor Prowse that building had been there for years - hidden away in the woods between Valley View and his house. It had never been a fishery but neither had it been agricultural to his knowledge.
- b) New Commemorative Bench.

The Chair reported that the bench had been delivered and would be installed next week

138. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

139. PUBLIC SESSION

A Parishioner stated that DCC were introducing 20 mph speed limits and asked if the Parish Council had considered applying for a 20-mph speed limit through the village?

Councillor Nel stated that 20 mph speed limits were to be trialled in Barnstaple.

It was agreed to raise the matter with DCC Councillor Henderson.

Mr Parker reported that the Village Hall Committee had been approached by a local Postmaster to use the Village Hall on half a day a week as a Post Office subject to the hall hire being free of charge. He asked if the request was agreed would the Parish Council assist towards the hire costs?

It was agreed that the Parish Council would be supportive of the proposal but that the Village Hall Committee should seek a contribution from the Postmaster towards the Hall hire.

140. PARISH NEWSLETTER/FACEBOOK PAGE

The Council welcomed Laura Conway the new newsletter and Facebook page editor to the meeting.

Laura reported that the Facebook page was now up and running and would help raise the profile of the Parish Council and keep the community continually informed of the work of the Council.

A profile of each Parish Councillor and why they became a Councillor on the Facebook page would also help the community get to know the Councillors and the work they did on the Council.

It was agreed that all information to be placed on the Facebook page be agreed via the Parish Clerk.

141. NDC COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

NDC Councillor Lane had no NDC issues to report.

142. DCC PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN FOR BARNSTAPLE WITH BIDEFORD AND NORTHAM.

The Clerk reported the receipt of the DCC public consultation on the local cycling and walking infrastructure plan (previously circulated).

It was agreed that the provision of a cycle/footpath link from Landkey to Barnstaple has always been a priority for the Parish Council and the proposed links outlined in the consultation document was welcomed and supported.

The provision of a Landkey Road/Newport Road safe route to Park School was also a priority.

143. NEW COMMUNITY BUILDING GROUP

The Chair updated Council on the Landkey Community Building Groups last meeting held 27th September. (Minutes previously circulated).

The Chair reported that it would be beneficial to become a member of Devon Communities Together who could provide support and guidance from their in-house experts including support with funding applications to the Community Hall Group

It was agreed that the Council subscribe to Devon Communities Together at a cost of £50.

144. AMENDED NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA

The Clerk reported that Swimbridge Parish Council did not support Landkey including some areas of Swimbridge Parish in the neighbourhood plan area.

145. DEFIBRILLATOR OUTSIDE THE SHOP: POSSIBLE RELOCATION.

The Chair reported that Janette was happy for the defibrillator to remain in its present location.

146. PART TIME MAINTENANCE PERSON.

The Clerk reported that 3 responses of interest had been received to date.

It was agreed that Councillors Halliday, Beer and Nel be appointed to interview and agree the appointment of a part time maintenance person subject to options and costings being agreed by the Council.

147. POLICE

There were no issues reported.

148. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Councillor Beer reported that following a letter drop to residents by himself and DCC Councillor Henderson the overgrown hedges in Denes Road and Birch Road which had narrowed the road causing problems for NDC Refuse vehicles to access properties to collect refuse had been cut back.

He wished to record his thanks to DCC Councillor Henderson for his support and assistance.

Councillor Halliday updated Council on the latest North Devon Link Road Liaison Group meeting. The Landkey junction roundabout had been implemented. The layout would be in the form of elongated roundabout allowing all turning movements. The junction would, however, not be fully completed, and works would continue in the area with final surfacing expected in July 2023. The Landkey footbridge piling works would start this year followed by the construction of pile caps. The off-site manufacture of the spiral ramps and main bridge deck would be progressed next year with installation on site likely next July.

149. PLAYING FIELDS

There were no issues reported.

150. MILLENNIUM GREEN

There were no issues to report.

151. OLD SCHOOL CENTRE

- a) To consider quote for the repair/new front door.
Councillor Beer reported that he had spoken to a local carpenter and the door could be repaired for approx. £100.

It was agreed that the door be repaired and Councillor Beer contact the local carpenter.

152. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER

Councillor Halliday reported that the Shaping Our Future document and survey was on the website.

153. FINANCE MATTERS

a) Payments

RESOLVED:

That the following payments be approved:

M. Isaac	Expenses	£18.47
HMRC	Income Tax Payment: Clerk & Caretaker Salary	£93.00
West of England Fire Protection	Annual Service	£43.20
Lonsdale Direct	Newsletter	£163.00
C. Waldron	Provision of results collating facility for online survey Shaping Our Community	£100.00

b) The current financial position

The financial position as at 2 August 2022 - Current A/C £49,336.37 and - Business Reserve 9 August 2022 £23,265.49 was noted.

c) Annual Pay Award 2022/23

The Clerk reported that subject to union confirmation the pay award for 2022/23 would be £1925 a year for each spinal point pro rata on weekly hours.

It was agreed that that the annual pay award be noted and agreed.

154. PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) 75898 Prior approval for change of use of barn to one dwelling at Barn B, Hill Farm, Portmore, Barnstaple.

RECOMMENDED Approval

- (b) 75932 Barn conversion to residential dwelling and associated works, Higher Bableigh Road From Higher Venn Cross To Bableigh Cross, Bableigh.

RECOMMENDED No comment

- (c) 75931 Listed Building consent for barn conversion to residential dwelling and associated works, Higher Bableigh Road From Higher Venn Cross To Bableigh Cross, Bableigh.

RECOMMENDED No comment

- (d) 75840 Reserved matters application for access from public highway (Outline application 73700 - Erection of two new dwellings), Land adj. Brookfield, Tanners Road, Landkey, Barnstaple.

RECOMMENDED No comment

- (e) Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 - Regulation 3 North Devon District Council: Variation of Conditions 2 and 8 Part (0) of planning permission reference DCC/4177/2020 for the proposed widening (7.5km) of the carriageway between Portmore Roundabout (Barnstaple) and Filleigh Cutting (Nr. South Molton), including junction improvements at Landkey and West Buckland; provision of a footbridge; and associated works, to amend the arrangement of the proposed bridge at Portmore at A361 North Devon Link Road between Portmore Roundabout (Barnstaple) and Filleigh Cutting (Nr. South Molton)

RECOMMENDED No comment

155. DCC COUNCILLOR REPORT

DCC Councillor Henderson reported the following:

- That the Government had made £500 million available to local authorities for Adult and Social Care
- That DCC had committed to becoming net carbon zero by 2050.

In response to a question previously asked by a Parishioner regarding the feasibility of a 20-mph speed limit through the village Councillor Henderson stated that DCC had a policy and criteria for considering applications for 20 mph speed limits. Recently of 40-50 bids submitted only 6 had been agreed.

He would advise the Council when the next round of bids would be accepted. He stated, however in the interim he would request that the mobile police camera van visit Landkey/Swimbridge.

156. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence reported.

157. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no items raised.

158. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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

159. COUNCILLOR LYNNE MORTON

Councillor Morton informed the Council that she had decided due to the onset of winter that this was her last Parish Council meeting attendance.

The Chair on behalf of the Council presented Lynne Morton with a card and bouquet of flowers in thanks for her long service on the Parish Council and work in the community over the last 20 years.

Chairman

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.