



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at  
Parish Rooms, Abbotskerswell  
Meeting commenced at 7.30pm**

**Present** Cllr K Eales (Chairman), Cllr R Whiffin (Vice-Chair), Cllr K Farrelly, Cllr Mrs M Colclough, Cllr B Chambers, Cllr P Marino, C Cllr A Dewhirst.

**In Attendance** Mrs M Crompton (Allotments), 1 Member of the Public.

**Apologies for Absence** – D Cllr D Smith, Mr J Lewis (Tree Warden), Cllr Mrs W Grierson.

**Declarations of interest**

- 1) Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015.  
Minutes of the Planning Meeting – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

The above minutes have been distributed and read - proposed by Cllr Mrs M Colclough & seconded by Cllr B Chambers with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr K Eales.

**2) Public Time (Limited to 15 Minutes)**

- a) Police Report – no report given.
- b) Noted that some rubbish had been dumped possibly on private land but not on the highway so the Blitz Team will not take it away.

**3) Planning Applications & Decisions**

**Applications received from Teignbridge District Council**

- a) Application no 15/03022/SO – Wolborough Development Ltd – Land at Wolborough – Scoping Opinion for Development – A response has been made by the Parish Council covering all the environmental points, this had been circulated by e-mail and all were in agreement with the response.
- b) Application no 15/03143/FUL – Buckland Athletic Football Club – New stand and toilet block – No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr B Chambers & seconded by Cllr Mrs M Colclough with all in agreement.

**Applications received from Devon County Council –**

- a) Application no DCC/3663/2014 – Stoneycombe Quarry, Newton Abbot – Scheme of conditions submitted in respect of First Periodic Review. Comments have been submitted to DCC within the Devon Minerals Plan Consultation, with further comments to be submitted.

### **Decisions Received from Teignbridge District Council**

- a) Refusal of Planning Permission numbers – 15/02506/FUL & 15/02507/FUL – Mr & Mrs D Belloti – Plumtree Cottage, Abbotskerswell – Bungalow and double garage with access drive, parking and turning facilities.
- b) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 15/02409/COU – Mr M Causey – Higher Langford, Totnes Road – Change of use land to domestic use, retention of new access road and creation of new access point.

### **Planning Matters**

- a) Linden Homes appeal date 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at TDC – 10am.

### **4) Matters Arising**

- a) Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr R Whiffin reported a full steering group meeting was held, aims and objectives are being written up and will be reviewed before the end of December. Parish Council workshop with proposals – 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016. David Munden has written an article in Abbtalk this month.
- b) Provision of a Bus Shelter in Wilton Way – 2 quotations have been received so far, planning permission will be required. Cllrs, Chambers, Farrelly & Eales will meet on site and look at position and a planning application will be prepared by Cllr P Marino once a decision on siting has been made.
- c) Quaker Burial Ground – a plan of maintenance needs to be done. Chairman – Cllr K Eales proposed that the best option could be to remove the tree stumps and grass seed the site which would make the maintenance easier.

### **5) Correspondence –**

None received.

### **Matters not requiring discussion placed in the folder to be circulated**

### **6) Main Agenda**

- a) Report from County Cllr A Dewhirst – see written report attached to the minutes.
- b) Report from District Cllr M Colclough & District Cllr D Smith – Cllr Mrs M Colclough confirmed that the Whitehill consultation is currently running. Newton Abbot carpark, free parking on Sundays in December for Christmas shopping.
- c) Emergency Planning Committee report – Cllr K Farrelly reported that at a meeting last month the volunteer list on the cards was reviewed and needs to be updated. The Grit Bin in Corn Park Road has not been checked and refilled by DCC, this could be because it has been missed off their list.  
Grants for defibrillators – Grants are available for these if required. Costs will be looked at and Cllr A Dewhirst confirmed he will grant ½ the cost from his councillor budget.

- d) Abbotskerswell Recreation Association report – Cllr B Chambers reported that the Fireworks night financially broke even this year. Next year’s event will be looked at with the possibility of getting a sponsor for the fireworks. John Whitehead has resigned from the Committee – a letter of thanks to John for all his hard works.
- e) Allotments Report – Mrs M Crompton reported – Village composting scheme, she would like to pursue this further and explore the possibility of finding a site. She will then report back at the next meeting. Ivy at the back of the Parish Rooms and around the side to be attended to, if possible by some volunteers from the allotment society.
- f) P3 Report – nothing to report.
- g) Village Hall Report – Farrelly reported – AGM on 8<sup>th</sup> December – 7pm.
- h) Tree Warden Report – nothing to report.
- i) Reports from Parish Councillors of any external meetings or Committees.
  - 1) TALC – nothing to report.
  - 2) Stoneycombe Liaison – Cllr B Chambers attended an informative meeting, next meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016.
  - 3) Cllr K Eales & Cllr R Whiffin attended a transparency code briefing, confirmed that Abbotskerswell are a small authority because of the precept income. A small amount of funding may be available for the website.
- j) DCC, Highways, Potholes, Roads & Hedges – Entrance to the vets, road breaking up.
- k) Primary School Report – Cllr R Whiffin reported all going well, regular reports go into Abbtalk – pupils now 91.
- l) Volunteer Action Group.
  - 1) Village Litter Pick – now the 27th February 2016 – this will be promoted in Abbtalk and Cllr A Dewhirst will provide some posters for this.
- m) Website – due to be launched on the 4th December. Liz Clowes is away now until January but is doing some work online whilst away. Many thanks to Liz for all the hard work she is putting in, it is much appreciated.
- n) Consultations – TDC Whitehill consultation to be responded to.
- o) Public Toilets – Emergency Drainage Works – these works have been undertaken as the drain had collapsed and was not working. Some of the carpet tiles in the Parish Rooms were damaged and replacements to match up will be sought.

## 7) Cheques for Signature/Finances

### Parish Council

- Cheque no 1238 = £153.00 – Hydro Rod (Public Toilets Drainage Clearance).
- Cheque no 1239 = £66.86 – EDF (Tennis Court Electric).
- Cheque no 1240 = £55.87 – EDF (Pavillion Electric).
- Cheque no 1241 = £15.00 – Poppy Appeal (Wreath).
- Cheque no 1242 = £147.40 – Kath Roscoe (Cleaning).
- Cheque no 1243 = £234.35 – SWWA (Allotments/Pavillion Water).
- Cheque no 1244 = £60.12 – SWWA (Public Toilets Water).
- Cheque no 1245 = £21.40 – SWWA (Parish Rooms Water).
- Cheque no 1246 = £50.00 – Carl Bloxidge (Litter Pick November).
- Cheque no 1247 = £44.04 – EDF (Parish Rooms Electric).

Cheque no 1248 = £106.89 – British Gas (Pavillion Gas).  
 Cheque no 1249 = £16.51 – British Gas (Toilet Electric).  
 Cheque no 1250 = £488.48 – Sharon Raggett (Clerks Wages November).  
 Cheque no 1251 = £10.00 – DALC (Cllr Course).

#### **Abbotskerswell Recreation Association**

Cheque no 965 = £50.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 966 = £20.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 967 = £5.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 968 = £5.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 969 = £5.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 970 = £5.00 – ARA Draw  
 Cheque no 971 = £7,560.17 – Rhino Play Ltd (New Play Surface)  
 Cheque no 972 = £20.00 – TDC (Lottery License)

#### **Bank Balances**

ARA Account Balance November 2015 = £1,175.00  
 Village Events Account - £138.83 (held within ARA Account)

Parish Council Bank Balance November 2015 = £27,932.21  
 P3 = £700.00 (held within Parish Council Account).  
 Neighbourhood Plan = £3,500 (held with Parish Council Account).

Cheques proposed by Cllr Mrs M Colclough and seconded by Cllr B Chambers with all in agreement.

**8)** Any Items to go onto next Parish Council meeting's Agenda.

**9)** ARA Draw – November 2015

£50.00 – 41 – Mrs Broughton – 12 Grange Road  
 £20.00 – 437 – Mrs C M Branson – 21 Forde Close  
 £5.00 – 326 – Mrs M Gibbs – 20 Odle Hill Grove  
 £5.00 – 214 – Sam Early – Willow Rise, Slade Lane  
 £5.00 – 259 – Mr J Tuckett – c/o Ruby Farm  
 £5.00 – 458 – Mrs Henwood – 16 Odle Hill Grove

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm**

**Next Parish Council Meeting Abbotskerswell Parish Rooms – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015 @ 7.30pm.**

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