

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD BY ZOOM ON 1st MARCH 2021

Participating	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH	In the chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	DDB	
	Cllr Josie-Alice Kirby	JAK	
	Cllr James Reina	JR	
	Cllr Peter Smith	PS	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	Cllr Dominic Webb	DW	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
	District Cllr Kate Kemp	KK	
Peter Javes	Clerk		

Members of the public 1

33/21 REPORTS

33.1 **Shop:** Neil Barker gave an update on the shop. Two further people had been co-opted onto the management committee. David Stevens had taken over as treasurer from Neil Barker, who had become vice-chair. The committee was considering the issue of more shares in the shop and the need for directors' liability insurance.

33.2 **ACA:** RB reported that the ACA was in discussion about the increased use of the river and such issues as parking in AG by river users.

33.3 **Parish Paths:** PS had laid gravel from the stream bed on the muddy path leading from Townswell Lane to the playing field (FP1A). The unsafe manhole cover also on FP1A (beside Kingfishers) had been replaced. **PS**

33.4 **Icy Park Play Park:** SHDC had agreed to clean and repair equipment in this play area and to upgrade the equipment. It was agreed to provide a new picnic bench for the refurbished park. The Clerk would obtain prices. **Clerk**

33.5 **Court Barton Development:** The outline proposal to build nine houses by Court Barton had been circulated to councillors. The landowner would address the April meeting to explain the proposal and answer questions.

34/21 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2021 be accepted as a correct record. Motion carried unanimously.

34/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

DDB in respect of any discussion involving new development adjacent to his land.

35/21 COUNTY COUNCILLOR

See report at Annex B.

36/21 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

See report at Annex C.

37/21 FLOODING AND SEWAGE

37.1 **New Sewage Pipe:** SH updated the meeting on negotiations with South West Water about the route of the new pipe across the playing field. It was noted the

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slide would have to be removed. SWW required that access to the field be closed during the works. By way of compensation SWW had offered £10,000. It was noted that the school would have to be told about the closure of the field as well as the grass cutting contractors.

37.2 Surface Water Flooding in Fore Street: The DCC flood engineer had advised that householders could apply for grants to pay for remedial work from the Flood Resilience Fund.

38/21 PLANNING see ANNEX A

39/21 FINANCE

39.01 BANK BALANCES as at 1st March 2021 £12,288.03

Cash held on behalf of:

Play park project	359.00
Parish Paths Partnership	1,574.00
Village hall project	6,851.00
Pool liner replacement fund	3,000.00

39.02 PAYMENTS APPROVED

83	Peter Javes	Dog hitch posts	32.74
84	Peter Smith	Mileage	6.30
85	Greenspace	Grass cutting	479.50
86	Beesley & Fildes	Drain cover - underpass	31.70
87	T & H Abrahall	Playpark	360.00
88	Palladium	Parish Paths – manhole cover	24.46
89	Peter Javes	Administration	344.71

TOTAL 1,279.41

RECEIPTS

Lloyds Bank	Interest	<u>0.10</u>
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TOTAL 0.10

40/21 VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

SHDC had commented on the plans and raised objections about the location within the AONB and the Neighbourhood Plan, position on the site and height of the building. Further advice would be sought.

41/21 CONTROL OF DOGS AROUND THE PLAY PARK

The significant increase in the number of dogs off the lead around the play park was noted. It was generally agreed that dog walkers need to have dogs on leads around this area. Ideally the whole area would be fenced with a requirement that any dog passing through would need to be on the lead. Once the SWW pipeline works had been completed fencing the area would be investigated. In the meantime the idea of leafleting every house would be considered.

42/21 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The referendum required to adopt the NP would go ahead on 6th May 2021. DDB DDB would write an article for mAGpie and draft a leaflet to be delivered to every house.

43/21 TREE WARDEN

DDB reported that there had been several applications to fell trees in the parish. In addition there had been concerns about the safety of the large pine tree beside Brook Court.

44/21 FORESHORE MOORINGS

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DW reported on the removal of a kayak, now being stored awaiting contact from the owner. The annual audit of boats on the moorings was due soon and this year a maintenance fee of £20 would be levied on each mooring post.

45/21 COMMUNITY POOL

PS suggested that a realistic opening date to aim for this year would be 1st June. It was agreed to levy a key charge of £60 to include the resuscitation course fee. The resuscitation course could not be conducted on-line, it had to be face to face and thus the opening of the pool would be dependant on relaxation of Covid 19 rules.

46/21 CHILDREN'S ART WORK ON ROAD SIGNS

One set of the signs had been hung on the railings outside the school. The second set would be affixed to road signs in the near future.

47/21 CASUAL VACANCY

There had been no interest from parishioners in filling the casual vacancy for a councillor.

48/21 CORRESPONDENCE

AI letter had been received complaining about the overgrown hedge by 32 Icy Park which was now obstructing the pavement forcing pedestrians into the road, The Clerk had reported this to the LiveWest Housing Association which had acknowledged he problem.

NEXT MEETING 12th April 2021 by Zoom, the May meeting will be in the hall

ANNEX A:

SHDC Planning applications received.

0068/21/FUL Modbury (Polston Park)

Conversion of existing agricultural building to dwelling (approved under Class Q ref 3801/19/PDM)
By 4th March

0233/21/LBC Babland Farm, Modbury

Listed Building consent for repairs/stabilisation to wall of barn By 4th March

0076/21/FUL The Barns, Fishley

Creation of new safe access track to property By 11th March

4031/20/FUL Skippers Hill Cottage, Waterhead

Retrospective change of use of land from garden to domestic curtilage, creation of new vehicular access, parking and erection of a single wooden garage. By 11th March

Application for tree warden's comment

0287/21/TCA 3 Orchard Brook Cottages, TQ7 4NP

Works to a Tree in a Con Area : Weeping Willow – Crown reduction by 2m. T53: Sycamore - Crown thin by 20%.

AGPC has been sent these to comment on as the neighbouring parish

Two more applications for the same site;

4209/20/FUL

READVERTISEMENT (new documents received) Proposed agricultural building for poultry (application 2 of 2) (Resubmission of 3164/20/FUL)

Land at SX 675 511, Trehele Cross:

AGPC already responded to these on 1.02.21 with comments.

AGPC response to applications since the February meeting

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0084/21/HHO Corner Cottage, Ashford

Householder application for alterations and extension to existing property including raising the roof to provide additional accommodation

AGPC response; SUPPORT. On the grounds of improvement to accommodation and facilities which will create a permanent family home within the parish, Improvement of existing insulation. All supported by AGPC N Plan and SHDC/West Devon Plan.

This application is for information only;

0374/21/PDM - Harraton Farm, A379 Harraton Cross to Fishley, Modbury, PL21 0SU

Application to determine if prior approval is required for proposed change of use of agricultural building to 5no dwelling houses (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q(a+b))

This is the second application to see if the large barn at Harraton Farm can be converted to 5 dwellings. SHDC turned down the first application on the following grounds; *The proposed amount of curtilage would measure greater than the land occupied by the agricultural building* – and as such doesn't qualify for the Class Q conversion.

ANNEX B: COUNTY COUNCILLOR

1. Climate change:

DCC is a founding and principal partner of the Devon Climate Emergency (DCE) initiative and has signed the Devon Climate Declaration which commits to working collaboratively with partners, which is now starting to be done via a consultation draft interim Devon Carbon Plan.

2. £1.3m extra has been allocated for 21/22 budget with £600,000.00 for pot holes and drainage plus £100,000 for work on maintenance of street furniture and a further £600,000 to top up the £1.5m given to District Councils' emergency fund last summer.

3. So far this fiscal year, DCC has used 50% more salt on the highways network totalling 15,000 tons.

4. Devon Highways budget is £28m to maintain 12,966km of roads.

5. DCC has 65 farms totalling 9,555 acres

6. RG has been in contact with 'The Hive' Bradley Gerrard re Crowdfunding advice

ANNEX C: DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

All SHDC members attended a briefing about the new Super Recycle Service, which is to be rolled out in phases from 1 to 5, starting with the more urban areas. The 1st phase begins on 8th March, when the new boxes will be delivered with instructions for use immediately, to be ready for collection the following week. There will be plenty of leaflets and social media posts, as ever check the website for further details, or call me if you feel you may struggle with the new system. 01803861168 Please leave a message with your name and number; I will get back to you.

A full SHDC meeting was on the 11th February and centred mainly on the Ivybridge regeneration project, members have voiced their concerns regarding borrowing £9m, to build an Aldi to lease back to Aldi. The council is quite split over the project, I and other members also raised concerns over a lack of consultation with the wider community from the start. The recommendation was passed allowing members more time for questioning Officer Recommendations, during Committee Meetings. The other ongoing issue raised was the amount of litter in lay-bys and hedgerows right across the district. I am in discussions with Head of Waste about this. I hope solutions will be forthcoming soon.

Lateral Testing for COVID-19 Locations: Leonards Road car park in Ivybridge• Cattle Market car park in Kingsbridge• Park and Ride car park at Dartmouth• Follaton House car park in Totnes• This is in addition to the current NHS mobile testing unit that is using Cattle Market car park in Kingsbridge.

Follaton House is to be recommissioned as a vaccination centre, which is sensible as it is well situated in the South Hams, with parking and an easy one way system can be organised. This proposal is yet to be finalised. It is estimated that this could double the rate of vaccinations in the area.