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MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON 1st JULY 2021 AT 7.30

Present	Cllr Sarah Harcus	SH	In the chair
	Cllr Ros Brousson	RB	
	Cllr Josie-Alice Kirby	JAK	
	Cllr Rosie Warrillow	RW	
	Cllr Dominic Webb	DW	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
Apologies	Peter Javes	Clerk	
	Cllr David Davis-Berry	JAK	
	Cllr James Reina	RW	
	Cllr Peter Smith	DW	
	County Cllr Rufus Gilbert	RG	
	District Cllr Kate Kemp	KK	
Members of the public	District Cllr Julian Brazil	JB	
		1	Rick Clayton (RC)

100/21 **OPEN FORUM**

100.1 **Car Parking:** the clerk reported that the had issued 50 resident permits.

100.2 **Shop:** No report

100.3 **Play Park:** Rick Clayton took the meeting through the Play Park insurance report from Allianz dated 23rd October 2020. The item of most concern was the senior swing, one of the uprights and the cross beam were showing signs of rot and needed to be replaced. There was a discussion about the swing being taken out of use. It was agreed that this should be done and RC would give the Clerk details of the replacement swing to be ordered. The platform in the junior play park was rotten in place and could be repaired in-house.

There was a discussion about the best way to weed the junior play park. It was agreed to try and remove the shredded bark and replace it with the sand kept in store.

RC spoke about ideas for raising money for improvements to the play park and how best to communicate this to residents.

100.4 **Fore Street Traffic Group:** .It was agreed that the new signs directing traffic up to the A379 "To the Beaches" had resulted in a significant reduction in through traffic.

JAK reported that there had been some success in removing Fore Street as a through route from some sat-navs.

101/21 **CASUAL VACANCY**

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT Peter Wade be co-opted onto the parish council. He signed the Declaration and Undertaking on becoming a councillor.

102/21 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2021 were accepted as a correct record. Motion carried unanimously.

103/21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

104/21 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

See Annex A.

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105/21 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR
 JB had reported by e-mail encouraging everybody to continue to report missed collections and to e-mail him so that he could put pressure on the contractor (*cllr.julian.brazil@southhams.gov.uk*).

106/21 **FLOODING AND SEWAGE**

106.1 **New Sewage Pipe:** SH was due to meet the contractor for an update on 2nd July. However it was noted that the work would shortly be alongside the play parks and trees might need to be lopped or removed. (see Annex C)

106.2 **Surface Water Flooding in Fore Street:** The trustees of the Hive pre-school have advised that they do not want the surface water run-off from the access track above the pre-school to be routed into the drainage intake pipe in the grounds of the pre-school. Currently this surface water runs onto the hard surfaces around the school building. The trustees have added that some, possibly most, of the surface water drains around the school are blocked with silt from previous flooding as no proper maintenance is being carried out by the school, making the situation worse than it should be.

107/21 **PLANNING see ANNEX B for planning report**

10//21 **FINANCE**

108.1 BANK BALANCES as at 26th June 2021 £31,003.75

Cash held on behalf of:
 Play Park project 359.00
 Parish Paths Partnership 812.00
 Village hall project 6,851.00
 Pool liner replacement fund 3,000.00

108.2 **PAYMENTS APPROVED**

29	FirstAid4Less	Community Pool	22.60
30	FirstAid4Less	Community Pool	19.14
31	Watkins Electrical	Community Pool	99.00
32	Watkins Electrical	Community Pool	261.00
33	Peter Smith	Community Pool	5.50
34	Information Commissioner	Subscription	35.00
35	Greenspace	Grass cutting	765.50
36	Tall Orders	Grass cutting	625.00
37	Tall Orders	Parish Paths	130.00
38	Palladium	Community Pool	62.79
39	Palladium	Community Pool	34.48
40	Palladium	Community Pool	22.46
41	Palladium	Community Pool	21.14
42	Peter Javes	Administration	344.91
	TOTAL		2,448.02

RECEIPTS		
STRIPE	Pool keys etc.	123.31
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.20
TOTAL		123.51

109/21 **VILLAGE HALL PROJECT**

No progress

110/21 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Nothing to report

111/21 COMMUNITY POOL (by e-mail from PS)

The pool is running well. A timetable has been received from the school to enable the pool operator to correctly predict chlorine use ensuring that there is adequate chlorine available on days when the pool is heavily used. Newton Ferrers Primary school is timetabled in to use the pool every Monday. Currently there is no payment to the PC to cover this additional cost. This issue has been taken up with the headteacher

PS has made arrangements with Colin Pearson & Peter Wade who have kindly agreed to cover checking the pool while PS is on holiday.

112/21 SWOOSH 2022

The Outdoor Swimming Society had suggested the following dates for SWOOSH events in 2022:

15th July 2022 Boomerang swim (not reaching AG)

16th July 2022 SWOOSH swim departing AG on high morning tide

The meeting agreed that these dates are acceptable.

113/21 2nd DEFIBRILLATOR

The offer by past Chair, John Yeabsley, to fund a second defibrillator was noted with thanks. It was a condition of this grant that the defibrillator be placed on the wall of the village hall. It would need a mains supply and a cabinet. A quote would be obtained from South West Ambulance. It was agreed unanimously that the hall was the most appropriate place for a second defibrillator.

114/21 TREE WARDEN

No report

115/21 SHORTA CROSS

It was noted that the Shorta Cross site had now been cleared of the travellers' rubbish by the Travellers' Liaison Office of DCC. The next meeting would discuss ways of preventing travellers setting up camp there again and of discouraging fly-tipping.

NEXT MEETING Thursday 5th August 2021 in the hall.

Annex A COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Some points of interest regarding Devon:

1. Population 802,000 excluding Plymouth and Torbay
2. 440 Parishes
3. 5x AONB's
4. 2xNational Parks
5. 4th oldest population of any County excluding Dorset, Cornwall and East Sussex.

Some points of interest about DCC:

Gross spend =£1.5 billion..Net Spend £578 Million. Difference being school spending coming from Government.

70% of budget gets to 3% of population being most disadvantaged and vulnerable.

£282Million spent on adult social care.

DCC still has 180 schools = 94,000 children

Highways transport and waste spend £57Million a year and disposes of ¼ million tons of waste.

Beach Signs. They are ordered and should be put up before this summer. Mr. Phillips email to me has been responded to by a highways officer.

Parking enforcement. Bakers Hill and Jubilee Street will or indeed may have been visited by an enforcement officer.

Shorta Cross travellers' rubbish. Sabrina Thomas has requested up to date photos and is still hoping to get SHDC cooperation. I have forwarded her last email for your information. I will chase again in July

Annex B PLANNING REPORT FOR JULY

New applications: None

AGPC responded to the following;

0242/21/FUL Edwards Burrough Aveton Gifford

READVERTISEMENT (Revised supporting information received) Extension of the existing farm hub to serve collectively a 105 acre farm (retrospective)

The new supporting information made no difference to the original response. **Response –** Object; On grounds including in AONB, and unsuitable site for hub serving acreage at Blackawton and Kingsbridge

1433/21/HHO: 1, Harraton Barns, Modbury, PL21 0SU

Application for erection of entrance gate, raising of existing retaining wall, render retaining wall and construction of steps (retrospective). **Response** Parish council supported.

SHDC decisions since last meeting

3925/20/FUL : Haggaton Barn, Little Chillaton Farm, Modbury

New natural slate roof, single storey side extension and extension of residential curtilage of existing stone barn: DECISION:

Conditional Approval

And two applications here - one Listed Buildings, the other, Householder.

1250/21/ARC and 1496/21/ARC: Chantry House, Chantry, Loddiswell TQ7 4EH

Approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 for planning application 0502/20/LBC

DECISION for both applications: **Discharge of Conditions - SPLIT DECISION** (2 conditions still remaining before full discharge)

Annex C

R&M walked and talked us through progress and schedule for the next stage - the section of excavation through the narrows beside the play areas, to the gravel car park. This will have to be closed again (within the next 10 days) in order to accommodate the mass of materials (pipes etc.) and waste from trench plus who knows what. Road closure admin states start 17th. They will put signs up and liaise with the owners of the Rectory Stables.

The ford and Jubilee Street section comes next (they hope in tandem with the start of reinstating the playing field).

R&M are being as considerate as excavation restrictions allow, it's a very challenging project.. Their concern now is their requirement to use the digger with its tall arm under the trees overhanging that area. To which end they will have to remove lower branches. The PC understands that a couple of trees may have to be felled. But that may not be necessary, as the roots of trees on a slope often grow into the slope (not across the line of the trench). The bench should be bypassed but if necessary they will remove it and later reinstate it properly.

R&M is currently writing an update on progress and will send it via the Clerk for our info, and to be passed on to villagers via website etc.

R&M didn't think it was going to be necessary to close the play areas there as they think they can squeeze in close enough to the trees. They will see how it goes when they get there, and also the clearance needed to ram in the piles being the issue) – but it may be necessary to shave off a section of the bund/slope beside the area where they'll be working to give them enough space. If that's the case, they'll reinstate, re-seed etc., along with everything else.

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They'll have to put some more fencing around the play parks to secure their work area. When it comes to the slope, they will have to take the fence up along the top of it to maintain child-proof security, so that slope won't be usable, but the rest of the play area will. We briefly touched on the mound of earth for the slide, and R&M had remembered about that. They will be getting off the green area asap, and then will be able to restore the ground and re-seed as soon after that as possible.