

The minutes of Harberton Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at Harbertonford Primary School at 8.00.pm.

Present. Cllrs. J. Hockings, Broom, Trott, Janes, Padfield, Clayton, S. Hockings, Beamish, Hoddinott, Wynne, Camp, D.Cllr. Steer .

Apologies. Cllr. Williams.

Also present D. Cllr. Vint of Totnes.

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Clerk. Mrs. D.Crann.

D. Cllr. Steer gave his report. He thanked everyone for their support during the past year. Renewable energy was progressing in this District. The travellers site at Marley Head, South Brent would soon be cleared and new sites were sought. He also thanked C.Cllr Black for her support also all Harberton Parish Councillors.

Police Report received by email. Two crimes reported in the Parish. 1. Malicious wounding without intent 9.3.13.

2. Possess drug intent supply 27.3.13.

The minutes of the previous meeting were then considered and after several amendments were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Correspondence.

1. Appointment of Tree warden. This item was then discussed exceptionally. Both Sue Deakin of Bow Road and Chris Bowley of Woodland Road were present and were volunteering as joint Tree Wardens. After discussions it was proposed by Cllr. Broom, seconded by Cllr. Trott that they be appointed. All in favour. The Clerk will notify SHDC and Environment Agency. They both then left the meeting.

Matters Arising.

1. Re request for Dog Bins in Harbertonford. Cllr. Broom and the Clerk had both spoken with Steve Mason of SHDC. He pointed out that following a very recent inspection in Harbertonford he judged that there was not a need for any Dog Bins. The existing bins by the Church and Playground also served as Dog Bins. The situation would be closely monitored. There was a consultation in progress at SHDC regarding Dog Control & Fouling.

Planning. Decisions at meeting.

23/0437/13/F – Sandwell Manor, Harberton. Following a site meeting & revised plans it was proposed by Cllr. Broom, seconded by Cllr. Trott to delay a final decision as the plans were not clear enough. All in favour.

Cllrs. J. Hockings & S. Hockings declared an interest and took no part in discussions.

23/0655/13/F – Little Belsford, Harberton. Ext to existing garage. No objections, proposed by Cllr. S.Hockings,. Seconded by Cllr. Padfield. All in favour.

56/0386/13/F – Land at Follaton Oak, Totnes. Harberton Parish wish to make no comment.

23/0742/13/F – Wilma, Woodcourt Road, Harbertonford. New double garage/shed building. No objections, proposed by Cllr Padfield, seconded by Cllr. Camp. All in favour.

23/0752/13/F – The Melbray, Moreleigh Rd. Harbertonford. Change of use from shop to residential. No objections, proposed by Cllr. Camp, seconded by Cllr. Broom, All in favour.

A meeting had been held at SHDC on 19.3.13. Regarding 4, Mill Meadow, Harbertonford and was attended by Cllr. Broom. This was involved with the future design of the dwellings on this site after demolition of the current bungalow. Decisions to be announced at a later date.

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2.DALC Annual Sub. Now due £269.58 to be paid. (incl. £34.68 VAT) Proposed by Cllr. Beamish, seconded by Cllr. Clayton, All in favour.

3.Invoice received from DCC for the Parish contribution to grass cutting of Harbertonford Playingfield. To be paid. £140.99 proposed by Cllr Clayton, seconded by Cllr. Trott, All in favour.

4.CLT and Housing Needs Survey. Cllrs. had received a copy and this would be further discussed at the next meeting

5.Notices of Local Elections received for DCC on 2.5.13.

6. Feoffees. Notice received that Mrs. Steer's term of office had expired. Would the Parish Council approve she serves another 4 years? It was proposed by Cllr. Janes, seconded by Cllr. S. Hockings to reappoint her . All in favour.
7. Dr. Wollaston M.P. will be holding a meeting at Dartington 10.4.13. with Mr. N. Boles, Planning Minister and invites applications to attend.
8. HPFA. Email received regarding graffiti in Harberton Playing Field, also regarding the resignation of Vicky and Ben Nute as joint Chairpersons . Also the resignation of Sara Perring as Treasurer. This was regretted and Cllrs. felt a site meeting with the remaining committee members would be beneficial. Proposed by Cllr. Beamish, all in favour.
9. Electoral Review of S. Hams. Various emails and letters had been received suggesting the number of District Councillors be reduced from 40 to 30. The consultation period ends on 4.6.13. The Clerk had already responded to Councillors' opinions that the District Council remains the same number of Councillors.
10. Request for Flood Report to DCC. The Clerk will respond. Also received from George Waite his Flood report of Harbertonford village during this winter will be sent on to DCC and Bryn Williams at E.A.
11. Re Parish Council representative for the Cluster Committee. Following discussions it was proposed by. Cllr. Broom seconded by Cllr. Wynne that Cllr. Padfield remains as our permanent representative and that different Councillors may accompany him when agendas are received. All in favour.
12. Neighbourhood Plan. SHDC have now accepted our Plan. It was suggested that Cllrs. Padfield & Broom increase their steering committee to include Cllrs. Trott & S. Hockings from Harberton. Proposed by Cllr. Clayton, seconded by Cllr. Janes, All in favour,

Items for information

1. SHDC Provision of signs in Playing Fields including emails from Jane Hutchinson.
2. Community Safety Forum 25.4.13.
3. SHDC Public Toilet Service.
4. Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service workshop 9.4.13. Torbay.
5. Western Power Distribution workshop 24.4.13. Exeter.
6. S. Hams Society Bulletin.
7. DCC Emergency Management leaflet.
8. Request for Annual Audit 10.6.13.
9. DCC Temporary Road Closure 23.4.13. Brockhills junction on A381.
10. Devon Senior Voice Bulletin.

Matters at the Discretion of the Chairman.

1. Cllr. Broom raised the subject of the parking spaces rear of St Clements Terrace, Harberton. These were probably coming up for sale. Ken Beagley of St. Clements Terrace hoped the Parish Council could urge the owners to give preferential treatment to the residents. This matter will be discussed further at the May meeting.
2. Cllr. Camp reported at Screws Lane, Harberton large potholes need repairing. Also on the road to Avonwick from Totnes between Blue Post and Shorter Cross there is a dangerous surface which needs attention.
3. Cllr. Beamish reported a drain cover damaged in the road near Hernaford Farm, Harbertonford.
4. Cllr. Hoddinott requested that in Harbertonford outside the Parish Council Carpark cars should not park so close to the BT Box so repairs can be carried out when necessary. Also near Prowses, Luscombe at the T junction to Ashprington the bank has collapsed.
5. Cllr. Broom also reported that in Old Rd. Harbertonford outside the Linhey there was a broken road drain that was in a dangerous condition.
6. A parishioner had asked Cllr. Clayton for a bus shelter on the south side of A381 next to the entrance to the Parish Carpark.
7. Finally the Chairman reported that the Clerk's printer had stopped working and after 7 years needed renewing. All Councillors agreed that the Parish Council will pay for a new one.

Cheques signed. No. 587 DCC £140.97 No.588 DALC £269.58 d/d plusnet £9.99
Paid into bank £10.00 ground rent for Harberton Parish Hall

The meeting closed at 10.30.pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th may 2013 at 7.30.pm at Harberton Parish hall.