

The minutes of Harberton Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14th May 2013 at 7.30.pm. at Harberton Parish Hall.

Present. Cllrs. J. Hockings, Broom, S. Hockings, Williams, Janes, Padfield, Wynne, Camp, Beamish, Clayton, Hoddinott, D. Cllr. Steer & C.Cllr. Vint.

Apologies. Cllr. Trott.

Public 6.

Speaker. Mr. J. Scott. From Devon Rural Housing Partnership.

Clerk. Mrs. D.Crann.

Cllr. J. Hockings opened the meeting, welcomed everyone especially the newly elected County Councillor Robert Vint from Totnes and then he resigned his post, calling for nominations for Chairman saying he would be unable to continue as Chairman for family reasons. Cllr. Williams nominated Cllr. Broom, seconded by Cllr. Clayton. Cllr. Broom accepted the nomination, there being no other nomination voting was all in favour.

Cllr. Broom then took the chair and called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Cllr. S. Hockings was nominated by Cllr. Clayton, but he declined the nomination. Cllr. J. Hockings was then nominated by Cllr. Janes, seconded by Cllr. Padfield, he accepted and voting was all in favour.

The Chairman then asked the members of the public if they wished to speak. Mr. Ivey of Harberton then spoke. He had a planning application being considered at this meeting No. 12/1050/13/F – Yeo Cottage, Harberton and he explained his situation and why the former house on this site had had to be demolished. Then Mr. Humphry of Harberton spoke. He also had a planning application being considered and hoped Councillors would look favourably on his application.

Mr. John Scott of the Devon Rural Housing Partnership then spoke. He had prepared the Local Housing Needs Survey for the Parish. All Councillors had received a copy. Mr. Scott went through certain details in the report and concluded that there were 28 more affordable homes needed in the parish. This survey would last about 5 years. National Planning Guidance had been changing in recent years. Mr. Scott then left the meeting.

C.Cllr. Vint then gave his report. Having been newly elected he was just getting into the swing of things. Importantly Totnes on the Move is uppermost on his list. More next time.

D. Cllr. Steer then gave his report. He wished to congratulate C.Cllr. Vint on his election, also Cllr. Broom as Parish Chairman. D.Cllr. Carson is the new Chairman of SHDC and he himself is now Chairman of Development and Management Cttee. The Boundary Commission developments would soon be announced. Marley Head travellers site was being cleared gradually.

Police report by email. There were 2 crimes to report this month. 1. Criminal damage 16.4.13. – 2. Criminal damage to vehicle 26.4.13.

The Annual minutes from 9th April were then considered, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

The minutes of the monthly meeting on 9th April were then considered and after one amendment were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters Arising.

1. HPFA. A new committee is in process of being formed and Cllr. Wynne has volunteered to be the Parish council representative. Proposed by Cllr. Clayton,. Seconded by Cllr. S. Hockings. All in favour. Also the Clerk will get the Deed of Gift from the Safe Custody for examination at the next meeting.

2.The next Cluster meeting will be held on 12.6.13. but Cllr. Padfield will be unable to attend. Cllr. Clayton has volunteered to attend in his place,

3.Neighbourhood Plan. The new committee of Cllrs. Broom, Padfield, Trott & S. Hockings have met. Two Open House meetings have been arranged – 8.6.13. in Harbertonford Village Hall & 9.6.13. in Harberton Parish Hall.

4. Cllr. Camp reported the lack of proper signing on A381 during Highways work on 24.3.13. was very dangerous.

5. The Clerk reported that her computer had also broken down and after 3 weeks both the new printer & repaired

computer were working again

Planning. Parish Council recommendations.

23/07897/13/F) Middle Luscombe, Harberton. Renovation of farmhouse, conversion of barn into ancillary accommodation/workshop/garages. Conversion of barns into 3 holiday units & associated games room, demolition of existing buildings. It was proposed by Cllr. Camp, seconded by Cllr. Hoddinott to reject this plan. Followed by an amendment proposed by Cllr. Wynne, seconded by Cllr. Padfield to re-examine the removal of the two sets of granary steps on the east side of the barn as they are a historical feature and should be retained. Voting 5 in favour 4 against. Amendment carried.

23/0975/13/F - Belsford Court, Harberton. Single storey extension to barn to create living accommodation with improved utility & office facilities for holiday business. It was proposed by Cllr. S. Hockings, seconded by Cllr. Williams to support this application, all in favour.

23/1050/13/F – Yeo Cottage, Sandwell, Harberton. Erection of two storey timber clad replacement dwelling. It was proposed by Cllr. Clayton, seconded by Cllr. Beamish to support this application, 9 in favour 2 abstentions

14/1040/13/F – South Downs, Dartington. 17.5 hectares solar array, 5mgwatts (first revision of 14/2182/12/F) Councillors were not able to consider this application as no plans were available.

Correspondence.

1. Invoice from A. Hockings for work on Clerk's computer £85.- to be paid. Proposed by Cllr. Williams, seconded by Cllr. Beamish 9 in favour 2 abstentions.
2. Invoice received for Annual Insurance renewal from AVIVA from 1.6.13. for £505.15. There is the option to continue with the 3year Long Term Agreement which expires on 31.5.13. which will reduce the premium to £479.89 per annum for the next three years. This was discussed and agreed. Proposed by Cllr. Williams, seconded by Cllr. S. Hockings, All in favour.
3. Invoice received from SHDC for Annual Insurance inspection and maintenance for Playgrounds in the Parish for £100.- To be paid Proposed by Cllr. Janes, seconded by Cllr. J. Hockings All in favour.
4. DCC Highway Verge & Grass Cutting changes letter read to the meeting.
5. Luscombe Maye 140th Anniversary Offer of an oak tree to plant within the Parish to be accepted with thanks.
6. Cllr. Padfield's report of a broken Spring Niche at Middle Luscombe to be reported to Highways.
7. Invoice received from DCC for the grass cutting at Harbertonford Playground for £143.58. To be paid. Proposed by Cllr. Janes, seconded by Cllr. Beamish. All in favour.
8. Invoice received from Viking for printer ink. £128.64 (incl. VAT £21.44) to be paid Proposed by Cllr. Beamish, seconded by Cllr. Wynne.

For Information.

DCC Various programmes of road works May/Aug '13.

DALC Newsletter.

DCC Temp road closure, Old Road, Harbertonford. 29.7.13.

GLEAM Newsletter.

Water Future Newsletter.

Western Power Distribution newsletter.

Play Inspection , Came & Co.

Junk Mail

Walk & Talk.

Matters at the Discretion of the Chairman.

1. Cllr. S. Hockings asked if planning permission would be required for replacement windows at 5, St. Clements Terrace, Harberton. He was advised that SHDC Planning Dept. Should be consulted
2. Cllr. Williams reported that at a recent CLT meeting progress was being made & pre-application funding would be sought. Contact had been made with a suitable timber frame dwelling manufacturer – more news soon.
3. Cllr. Janes reported a deep hole in the pavement outside No.8, Marl Park, Harbertonford. The Clerk has already reported this matter.
4. Cllr. Camp again reported the potholes outside Daynes Farm, Harberton had not yet been repaired. The clerk pointed out she had reported these and other potholes in the Parish on at least four occasions and nothing had yet been repaired.

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| Cheques signed. | No.589 | SHDC | £120.- | No. 590 | Cancelled. | |
| Cheque No. 591 | | DCC | £143.58 | No.592 | Viking payments | £128.64 |
| Cheque No.593 | | A. Hockings | £85.- | No.594 | Broker Network Ltd. | £479.89 |
| Direct Debit | | Plusnet | £9.99 | | | |

The meeting closed at 10.15.pm. The next meeting will be held at Harbertonford Primary School, 7.30.pm. on Tuesday 11th June 2013.