Ordinary Meeting of Harberton Parish Council Tuesday 10th June 2025

11. Correspondence

- 11.1. E-Circulars for information Cllrs are informed that the Clerk receives the following regular ecirculars, that can be forwarded on request: Citizens Advice South Hams, Climate Change and Biodiversity Emergency, Devon Communities Together, Devon County Council Community News Round-up, Devon Home Choice, Emergency Planning newsletter, Friends of the Dart, Green Lanes Environmental Action Movement (GLEAM), Harberton Village Email, Healthwatch Devon, Information Commissioners Office, National Association of Local Councils Events newsletter, One Devon NHS Integrated Care Board, Parish Online, Rural Services Network, SLCC Membership, South Hams Society.
- 11.2. Items of correspondence for information
 - 11.2.1. <u>20250604 Temporary Traffic Notice BLAKEMOOR CROSS TO BLAKEMORE, Harberton (TTRO2563798)</u> Cllrs are informed of the road closure in place from 2nd 4th July to enable drainage works.
 - 11.2.2. 20250603 Trust Impact of Conditions on Planning Approvals Cllrs are informed of correspondence directing them to a <u>BBC article</u> highlighting the gap between plans for new housing and the capacity of the existing sewage infrastructure, commenting that it would seem that a developer can go ahead and build regardless of whether or not they have met any or all of the conditions put on the permission by either the Local Planning Authority or requested by the Parish Council regarding waste water. Cllrs are asked to have this at the forefront of their minds when considering any development anywhere in the Parish and in particular with regard to current proposals on Ford Farm.
- 11.3. Items of correspondence for consideration
 - 11.3.1. 20250428 Your legal duties workplace pensions re-enrolment Cllrs are informed that the deadline for re-enrolment in the Pension Scheme is on 23rd February 2026. Every three years an employer must put certain staff back into a pension scheme and tell the Pensions Regulator that they've done so. The Parish Council therefore needs to undertake a review and take action to set up a pension scheme if one is required.
 - 11.3.2. 20250428 Spring 2025 Training & Events Cllrs are informed that training courses offered by Devon Association of Local Councils this spring include Being a Good Councillor; Being a Good Employer; Code of Conduct and Introduction to Planning, if any cllrs are interested.
 - 11.3.3. 20250509 Parking in the bus stop Cllrs are informed that a Harberton resident is using the bus stop as a parking place, meaning the school bus is dropping off and picking up children in the middle of the road. Parents concerned about the safety of their children have made attempts to ask the neighbour to stop parking in the bus stop to no effect. The matter has also been raised to Highway and the Council. The Parish Council is asked if there is anything it can do.
 - 11.3.4. 20250517 email concerning land representatives Cllrs are informed that a Member of the Public who addressed the public session at the April meeting of the Parish Council was approached on leaving the meeting and asked questions about comments they made during the public session. The member of the public felt intimated and asks the Parish Council how it intends to deal with the matter to prevent happening again.